ENDING THE SUMMER RACING

SURPRISES AT SHEEPSHEAD BAY.

A TRACK DEEP IN MUD—EVERY FAVORITE BUT ONE BEATEN.

The close of the summer racing and the opening of the autumn season of sport were marked by a great multitude of spectators, brisk betting, lively contests and enthusiastic interest at Sheepshead Bay. The excellent management for which the Coney Island Jockey Club is noted was conspicuous throughout the afternoon, and the enjoyment at the course was general. The transportation facilities afforded by the Manhattan Beach lines was excellent. A tremendous thunder storm caught a great many people at serious disadvantage after the close of the races, and some hundreds got to their homes drenched and dripping. But that was a visitation for which neither jockey club nor railroad company could be held responsible, and the deaths from pneumonia and other lung troubles, which may follow, cannot be laid at the door of either. It must be said, however, that the conduct of a great part of the crowd which was under the covered way to the race grounds was brutal in the extreme. A lot of ruffianly fellows passed forward in such a way as to push weaker men, ladies and children out into the storm. Captain Williams, with his awe-inspiring club would have been a welcome apparition just then to the peaceable and well-disposed.

Of course the track was deep in mud and all the time was extremely slow. As usual on a muddy course the favorites failed, only one of the six, George L. Lorillard's filly Louisette, being successful. Mr. Caldwell, the starter, made a sickening mess of the first send-off, giving the favorite, Little Minch, no chance whatever, and leaving two others at the post. He did good work with his other starts, except that he left Burton at the post in the second race. But Burton could not possibly have won. It was an unlucky day for James McLaughlin who rode both Little Minch and Burton. He also rode Richmond and Checkmate, but all his mounts turned out sadly.

That improving two-year old Eachus, a half brother of Rhadamanthus, won the opening dash of five furlongs, though Jim Renwick showed great speed at the finish.

Louisette is now a really excellent filly. She cantered off with the second race for three-year-olds. She is thoroughly at home in mud, and if the great Twin City Handicap next Tuesday should be run on a muddy track, even with her weight of 110 pounds, she will not be far from the front at the end.

Tolu and Greystone showed at the June meeting of this club that they could run well in mud. They showed it again yesterday, when Tolu won the selling sweepstakes at 1 3-8 miles, and Greystone took the Great Fall Selling Stakes. Hartford almost made a dead heat with Tolu, but Greystone's success was easy.

Geano fell far below the expectations of his friends in the run for the rich Autumn Stakes. He defeated Wanda at Monmouth on a heavy track, so that no excuse can be made for him on that score. The truth is that though a good colt he is not quite first-class, and Wanda was not herself when he outran her. James E. Kelly won his first important prize this year, his renowned filly by Glenelg-Annie Bush, fairly playing with the field. She ran up the homestretch at a pace that none of the others could approach. On a dry track she might not have done so well. Her half-brother, Bushwhacker, was always an excellent mud horse.

Patrick Maney, the noted cross country rider, won the steeplechase cleverly with Miss Moulsey.

DETAILS OF THE CONTESTS.

The first race was for a purse of $500 for all ages, ⅞ mile. Eleven ran—Dolan's colt Little Minch (4 years, 118 pounds, ridden by J. McLaughlin), P. H. McMahon's colt Eachus (2, 89, Higgs), Heffner's colt Markland (4, 118, Hayward), Walton's mare Woodflower (4, 118, W. Donohue), Walton's gelding Hart (2, 86, Rivers), P. Lorillard's colt Exile (2, 93, 4 over, Olney), Buchanan's gelding Jim Renwick (6, 115, Fitzpatrick), Jenning's colt Miller (2, 89, Church), Bolman's colt Colonel Morris (3, 111, Lewis), W. McMahon's gelding Charley Kempland (6, 115, McCarthy), and D. S. Baldwin's gelding Ben Woolley (4, 115, F. McLaughlin). Pools—Little Minch $60, Jim Renwick $30, Eachus, Markland and Woolley $15 each, field $25. Books—Little Minch 4 to 5, Exile 5 to 1, Woodflower, Jim Renwick and Eachus 7 to 1 each, Markland 8 to 1, Hart 8 to 1, Miller 12 to 1, Charley Kempland 20 to 1, and 30 to 1 against Colonel Morris and Ben Woolley.

The start was extremely bad. Hart and Ben Woolley being left at the post and the favorite, Little Minch, not being in motion. Miller had much the best of it. Charley Kempland second, Eachus fourth, Jim Renwick fifth, Exile sixth. The rest never had the least chance. Miller got four lengths to the lead in the second furlong but in the homestretch he tired and Eachus passed him and won by two lengths in 1:03. Jim Renwick overtook Miller in the last few strides and got second place by a neck. Markland was a poor fourth, Charley Kempland fifth, the rest rallied up. Mutuals $58.55.

The second race was for three-year-olds, $30 each, $800 added, $200 to second; special weight conditions; ⅞ mile. Eight ran—G. L. Lorillard's filly Louisette (111 pounds, ridden by Blaylock), Peter C. Fox's colt Tom Martin (111, Walker), F. T. Walton's imported colt Richmond (106, Evans), Mr. Keiso's filly Equipoise (108, Meaney), W. Jennings's colt Tattler (111, Lewis), J. W. and R. H. Loud's filly Lady Loud (108, Lewis), D. D. Withers's unnamed colt by Stonecinder-Tattoo (103, W. Donohue), and D. S. Baldwin's colt Burton (106, McLaughlin). Pools—Louisette $150, Tom Martin $75, Richmond $40, Tattler $35, Burton $35, Tattoo colt $30, Equipoise $25, Lady Loud $25. Book—Louisette even, Tom Martin 4 to 1, 10 and 12 to 1 against the others.

Equipoise was first at the start, Tom Martin second, Louisette third. Burton was left at the post. The Tattoo colt ran out but Louisette passed him on the lower turn and won in a canter by a dozen lengths. Tom Martin, the Tattoo colt and Richmond made a close finish for second place. The judges gave it to Tom Martin, placing the Tattoo colt third. This made Richmond fourth. There were only heads between the three. The others were beaten off. Time 1:36. Mutuals $9.55.

Ten ran in the third race, a sweepstakes of $30 each, $1,000 added, $200 to second, $50 to third; selling allowances; 1⅜ miles. They were—Ackerman's Edwin A. (aged, 99, Maynard), Dwyer Brothers' Hartford (6, 92, Bridge), Hughes's Bondholder 4, 93, Church), Murphy's Blue Peter (4, 99, Williams), M. J. Daly's Tilford (4, 90, Cowall), J. McMahon's Frankie B. (5, 97, Parley), W. Jennings's Regret (3, 92, Billings), R. W. Walden's filly Tolu (3, 102, Meaney), King's Monk (6, 92, Rayford), and W. C. Daly's Lizan (3, 86, Moran). Pools—Edwin A. $10, Tolu $35, Hartford $30, Bondholder, Lizan and Frankie B. $20 each, Monk $15, field $30. Books—Edwin A. 4 to 1, Tolu 5 to 1, Monk, Regret, Tilford 7 to 1 each, Frankie B. and Hartford 8 to 1, Bondholder and Lizan 10 to 1, Blue Peter 15 to 1.

The start was prompt and fair. Tolu ran to the run after the first furlong, while Bondholder took second place and Lizan third. Tilford ran conspicuously also, occasionally taking third place and then falling back. Hartford slowly moved up under repeated appeals with the whip, and coming home in the homestretch fought desperately with her every stride to the line. Tolu barely won by a short head in 2:33½, Hartford second, three lengths before Tilford. Lizan fourth, Bondholder fifth, Monk sixth, the others pulled up. Mutuals (Tolu in the field) $16.30. No bid for the winner.

For the Autumn Stakes for two-year-olds, ¾ mile, weight penalties for winners of certain stakes and all entrances for non-winners, $100 each, $25 forfeit, $1,000 added, $200 to second; there had been 102 nominations and there were ten starters, making the prize worth to the winner $4,100. The ten were the Chesapeake Stable colt Geano by Springbok-Geneva (110, Garrison), P. Lorillard's colt Chesla by Mortemer-Fancy Ledlow (105, Omley), Dwyer Brothers' pair, the colt Richmond by Virgil-Alert (110, McLaughlin), and the filly Miss Palmer by Billet-Belle Palmer (97, Bridge), W. L. Scott's pair of fillies, Florio by Virgil-Florence L. (107, Lewis), and Radha by Algerine-Nanine H. (97, Higgs), J. E. Kelly's unnamed filly by Glenelg-Annie Bush (97, Church), G. L. Lorillard's colt St. Augustine by King Alfonso-Pacific (105, J. Donohue), Morris & Parten's colt Ten Stone by Ten Broeck-Lizzie Stone (105, Stovall), and Mr. Keiso's colt Salpetre by Glenelg-Salina (105, Meaney). Pools—Geano $175, the Dwyer pair $150, Chebula $105, the Scott pair $85, the Annie Bush filly $35, field $55. Books—Geano 5 to 2, Richmond 5 to 2, Chola 5 to 1, Florio 7 to 1, the Annie Bush filly 7 to 1, Radha 10 to 1, Ten Stone 10 to 1, 12 to 20 to 1 against the others.

To a good start the flag fell with the Annie Bush filly in front, Richmond second, Chebula third, Florio fourth. The Annie Bush filly held first place for a furlong when Ten Stone shot into the lead and remained there to the head of the homestretch with the two Laverites, Geano and Richmond, close up. But all three went extremely wide at the turn and lost much ground, while little Church slipped through close to the rails with the Annie Bush filly. The filly lined the mud so well and left the others behind so fast that Geano and Richmond were soon pulled up, the close being hopeless. The Annie Bush filly won in a canter by ten lengths in 1:21. St. Augustine second, a neck before Salpetre, Ten Stone a bad fourth, Chebula fifth, the others pulled up. Mutuals $43.85.

The fifth race was for the Great Fall Selling Stakes, $50 each, half forfeit, $1,250 added, $250 to second; 1⅛ miles. Eight ran—F. Robinson's gelding Little Fred (5, 97, Walker), V. Hollar's gelding Plunger (5, 87, Church), W. L. Scott's colt Greystone (3, 87, Higgs), Dwyer Brothers' gelding Checkmate (aged, 107, McLaughlin), Donohue's gelding Pope Leo (aged, 92, J. Donohue), L. Hart's colt Frank E. (4, 83, Moran), Corrigan's colt Swinney (3, 87, Fullmer), and Cassidy's gelding Saunterer (6, 95, Atwood). Pools—Little Fred $100, Swinney $65, Greystone $40, Checkmate $25, Plunger $20, field $50. Books—Little Fred 7 to 5, Swinney 2 to 1, Greystone 6 to 1, Plunger 7 to 1, Checkmate 10 to 1, long odds against the others.

Greystone quickly took the lead and never relinquished it, fairly traveling in the mud and winning easily by a length, in 2:02¾. Little Fred second, two lengths before Saunterer, Plunger a poor fourth, the others pulled up. Mutuals $29.15.

Greystone was entered to be sold for $2,000. The bidding on him went up to $3,105 at which he was bought in for Mr. Scott.

The last race was a selling steeplechase over the full course, $25 each, $750 added. Five ran—M. J. Daly's Ranger (5, 127, Lynch), W. C. Daly's El Capitan (5, 127, Daly), Lorraine's Wooster (aged, 130, McKenney), Nolan's Miss Moulsey (aged, 137, P. Meaney), and Ackerman's George McCullough (aged, 165, Warth). Pools—Ranger $110, Wooster $60, Miss Moulsey $45, El Capitan $25, George McCullough $20. Books—Ranger 8 to 5, Wooster 3 to 1, Miss Moulsey 3 to 1, El Capitan 5 to 1, George McCullough 10 to 1. El Capitan led handsomely up to the last half-mile, when he stumbled and his rider tumbled off though the horse did not fall. McCullough's rider fell near the same point. Miss Moulsey won easily by four lengths, Ranger second, twenty lengths before Wooster. Time 7:02. Mutuals $24.60.

RACING AT ST. LOUIS.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 30.—The first race to-day, 1⅛ miles, was won by Virgie Hearne in 2:01. Bonnie Australian second, and Mount Olive third. April Fool finished first, but was placed last for fouling. Boz Sedan was cut down. No French pools were sold.

General Harding won the three-quarter dash easily in 1:20, Aristocrat second and Verner third. Mutuals paid $5.60.

The third race, Ladies' Stakes, for three-year-old fillies, one mile, was won by Hanan, Europa second, and Alice third. Time, 1:47. Mutuals paid $6.

BASEBALL GAMES STOPPED BY RAIN.

About 2,000 spectators witnessed the game of baseball at the Polo Grounds yesterday, between the New-York and Cleveland League clubs. The game was well played, the home nine again winning through heavy batting, Harkins being batted almost at will by the local players. Welch pitched in excellent form and was finely supported. Just as the sixth inning was completed, the rain burst upon the field and the umpire called the game. The score was as follows:

New-York	2	0	1	0	5	0	—	9
Cleveland	2	0	0	0	0	0	—	2

Another exciting game was played at Washington Park, Brooklyn, between the Brooklyn and Athletic Clubs. Over 2,000 spectators were present. Rain stopped the game before the sixth inning was completed. The score was as follows:

Athletic	0	0	2	0	0	0	—	2
Brooklyn	2	0	1	0	0	0	—	3

Games were also played as follows:—In Philadelphia—Philadelphia 5, Buffalo 3.
In Toledo—Toledo 5, St. Louis 1.
In Washington—National 9, Baltimore 1.
In Providence—Providence 6, Detroit 5.
In Boston—Chicago 6, Boston 5.
In Columbus—Columbus 3, Cincinnati 2.
In Indianapolis—Louisville 6, Indianapolis 5.

SWIMMING CONTESTS ON THE HARLEM.

The second annual competition for the amateur swimming championship of America took place on the Harlem River, yesterday, under the auspices of the New-York Athletic Club. The river was was dotted with small craft of all description and the Club House was filled with athletes. H. E. Tonsemt won the hundred yards' race in 1 minute and 21½ seconds, beating the record by 6 seconds, which was made by him some months ago. A. F. Camacho was second, and A. Heilborn third.

There were eleven starters in the one-mile race, which was won by R. P. Magee, of the Baltimore Athletic Club, in 25 minutes 41½ seconds. A. Moffat was second and Mathew Quigley was third.

The prizes were gold medals for the first in each race and silver ones for those who were second and third.

THROUGH NEW-YORK STATE.

GOVERNOR CLEVELAND'S RETURN.

CALLS BY STATE OFFICERS AND FIREMEN.

ALBANY, Aug. 30.—Governor Cleveland arrived at the Executive Chamber at 9 o'clock this morning. Among his first callers were Lieutenant-Governor Hill and Judge Van Wagner, of St. Louis. Judge Van Wagner was a Tilden Presidential Elector in 1876, and is on his way to pay his respects to ex-Governor Tilden. In the afternoon forty members of Engine Company No. 1 of Hyde Park, Dutchess County, who have been attending the Firemen's Convention at Utica, made an informal call on the Governor and were introduced by their foreman, Arthur Seidell. The band which accompanied them afterward gave a serenade to the Governor underneath the windows of the Executive chamber. The Governor states that he greatly enjoyed his trip to the Adirondacks. He remained in his office until 10:45 a. m. transacting routine business which had accumulated during his absence. During the day many department officials called and paid their respects.

WILLIAM DEYOE'S DISAPPEARANCE.

KINGSTON, Aug. 30.—There is still a deal of uncertainty regarding the disappearance of Deyoe, the Greene County butcher, who was thought by some to have been murdered recently. Various stories have been published and many others are in circulation. A gentleman of this city, who returned from Lexington yesterday, however, says that he found no one there who believes that "Will" Deyoe was murdered or doubted that he is alive to-day. They are generally inclined to ridicule the idea of murder altogether, and think he has gone West with perhaps $3,000 in his pocket, having fled under cover of the murder ruse. The fact that his friends and other possessions had been decoyed to his mother would seem to support this belief. Then, it is said, when his wife and mother were first told of the disappearance in the woods they showed no special concern, the mother saying, "Oh, I don't think it can be that 'Will' has been murdered!" although both have pretended to believe it since.

COMMERCE BY CANAL.

BUFFALO, Aug. 30.—The grain afloat for tidewater, as reported to the canal collector's office, is as follows: Wheat, 1,962,000 bushels; corn, 211,000; rye, 72,000. The amount of flour and grain shipped from Buffalo by canal from the opening of navigation to date is: flour, 2,400 barrels; wheat, 11,714,000 bushels; corn, 4,478,000; oats, 8,059,000; barley malt, 134,000; rye, 927,000. The number of boats cleared was 3,218.

WILL THE McGRAW-FISKE MANSION BE SOLD?

ITHACA, Aug. 30.—In the absence of Judge Boardman, S. D. Halliday, his attorney, was sought and asked about the report that Judge Boardman had decided to sell the McGraw-Fiske mansion. Mr. Halliday said that he had heard nothing of the kind, and did not credit it.

RAILWAY INTERESTS.

TO SURRENDER A LEASE.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

COLUMBIA, S. C., Aug. 30.—On September 1 the management of the Charlotte, Columbia and Augusta Railroad Company will turn over to the stockholders of the Spartanburg, Union and Columbia Railroad all the property of the latter road. On April 1, 1883, the Charlotte, Columbia and Augusta, which is a part of the Richmond and Danville system, leased the Spartanburg, Union and Columbia for ninety-nine years, at an annual rental of $60,000. The receipts from the leased road have yearly fallen short of the annual amount paid for it; hence the determination of Richmond and Danville to surrender the lease.

PLANS OF ENGLISH INVESTORS.

LONDON, Aug. 30.—The English holders of Denver and Rio Grande Railway bonds have deputed Messrs. Pothonier and Parish to proceed to New-York and confer with American bondholders with a view to reorganizing the road. The Scotch bondholders at the same time will send Mr. Fleming, and the Dutch Mr Van Weel.

The Stock Exchange has under discussion proposals which have appeared in letters to the papers, to the effect that the English Exchange should refuse to allow American railway securities to be quoted where there is no long registry of shares. The reason urged for this course is that such registry is necessary to enable English investors to exercise some influence on the management.

KEEPING UP THE CUTTING.

In the railroad world, yesterday, there were no specially new developments regarding the cutting of rates. The competing excursions to Niagara Falls of the New-York Central and the West Shore roads stimulated business in Frank's, Lansing's and other outside offices through which the roads are conducting their interneciue warfare. No open cut yet has been made at the regular offices of the trunk lines, but the general expectation is that a free war will be begun soon. This belief has no support from the officials of the railroads concerned.

AN EXTENSION COMPLETED.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

CAMDEN, Aug. 30.—The extension of the Camden and Atlantic Railroad to Logansport, about four miles below Atlantic City, was completed, and the first trains run to-day. This is a portion of the Pennsylvania's intended Coast Line, and it is understood that it is ultimately to be extended to Cape May.

THE XENIA BANK TO RESUME.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 30.—The Acting Controller of the Currency to-day received a telegram from Bank Examiner Ellis, saying that the shareholders in the Second National Bank of Xenia, Ohio, have made an assessment of 33 per cent on the stock and requested permission to resume business. The Acting Controller has granted the request, to take effect when the deficit in the capital stock is made good.

CINCINNATI, Aug. 30.—The failure of the Second National Bank at Xenia, Ohio, is more serious than was at first supposed. The figures given out on the day of the failure made it appear that the loss was $53,000, of which $33,000 represented Cashier Aukeny's deficit. Later developments, however, show that the total loss will be $76,120. The cashier is still away, but the bank officials are not searching for him, and it is said that they will not prosecute him should he return.

THE SUMMER SEASON.

SOCIAL EVENTS AT SARATOGA.

THE FORESTRY CONVENTION—ENTERTAINMENTS—NEXT MONTH'S GATHERINGS.

[FROM THE REGULAR CORRESPONDENT OF THE TRIBUNE.]

SARATOGA SPRINGS, Aug. 30.—Favored with fine weather and numerous attractions, this has proved one of the most brilliant weeks in the history of this National resort, and the vast number who have favored Saratoga with their presence have been highly entertained. There are more summer guests here now than ever before on any corresponding date. The season will extend far into the coming month, during which a number of conventions will be held here.

Dr. George B. Loring, of Boston, Mass., the president, will preside over the American Forestry Congress, which will assemble in the Putnam Music Hall on Tuesday, September 16, and remain in session two or three days. Among those who will be present are the Hon. H. G. Joly, of Quebec; George L. Becker, of St. Paul, Minn.; N. H. Eggleston, of Washington, D. C.; Dr. Charles Mohr, of Mobile, Ala.; B. E. Fernow, of New-York; B. G. Northrop, of Clinton, Conn.; Warren Higley, of Cincinnati, Ohio; J. G. Knapp, of Limona, Fla.; John S. Hicks, of Roslyn; the Hon. John A. King, of Great Neck; and Dr. F. B. Hough, of Lowville. A number of subjects will be brought up, the more prominent of which are announced as follows: "The Adirondack forests—their mercantile significance; statistics of deforestation; present condition and value; hydraulic influences; fires." "Management of mountain forests." "Methods of re-foresting waste places." "Forest supplies of the Eastern States." "Suggestions for a forest policy of the Eastern States." "Canada's method of lumbering." "Pruning the forest." "Formation and work of local forestry associations." Secretary Fernow states that the principal object of this meeting is to stimulate the interest and concentrate the efforts aroused by the action of the different Eastern States in regard to a more systematic use of the forest supplies.

The Elk Ridge Hunt Club's "race meeting" at Carey B. Moore's driving park on Monday next promises to be a popular success. The entries closed at noon to-day. The races will begin at 12:30 o'clock p. m. The first race will be for horses owned and ridden by farmers residing in Saratoga County; the second for thoroughbreds owned and ridden by members of or subscribers to the Elk Ridge Hunt; the third, similar to the first, followed by an exhibition high jump; the fourth, a "pink coat race" for hunt servants; the fifth, free welter-weight steeplechase, for horses owned by members of or subscribers to the Elk Ridge Hunt. The meeting will attract a large and fashionable gathering of ladies and gentlemen to the lake shore. Amateur sports meet with popular favor among Saratoga guests. The club furnished a lively entertainment at the race track to-day by giving a drag hunt. The entire pack of hounds was in full cry, followed by the men, who took the regular jumps on the course. The spectators witnessed the sport from the grand stand.

J. W. Clute, H. Horstmayer, B. Whitlock, S. R. James, C. Horstman, F. De F. Gray and H. Veeder formed a party of Schenectady bicyclists who wheeled it to Saratoga. They returned this morning.

Mrs. F. P. Whitney, soprano, of Boston, Mass., was given a reception at the Vermont House last night, during which she was made the recipient of several floral offerings.

The reunion of the veterans of the 115th Regiment, N. Y. S. V., was the leading event at Ballston Spa yesterday. It was held in Gould Hall.

The Miami Fishing Club held a meeting this evening.

The Prohibitionists, following in the wake of the Republicans and Democrats, raised a banner on Broadway. The Rev. W. H. Boole, of Brooklyn, made an address.

Dering's Band, having finished their Congress Spring Park engagement, will return in July, 1885. Carbutt will make another aerial trip from these grounds on Tuesday next. She has made several ascensions here this season.

It is expected that upward of 1,200 persons will attend the Unitarian Biennial Conference here in September. It will be held in the Washington Street Methodist Episcopal Church and remain in session one week.

The ratification meeting held at the Town Hall, Thursday evening, by the Blaine and Logan colored club was a most pronounced success. The members of this organization represent every section of the country. Eloquent addresses were made by Professor R. T. Greener, of Washington, D. C.; the Rev. William R. Derrick, and others. Resolutions were adopted strongly indorsing the nomination of Blaine and Logan. Reference of this long expected political affair, his high qualities as a statesman, his long service in the Republican party and unswerving fidelity to its principles. They commend the nomination of John A. Logan because of his faithfulness to the Union when it was endangered, his sound Republican views, his unquoted courage, his military genius, and because he is a stanch friend of the oppressed. They pledge the aid of the colored people to assist the Republican party to elect his candidates, because it has always kept its promises and has done so much for the colored people. There were fully 1,000 persons present, and the resolutions were adopted unanimously and with much enthusiasm.

The Catskill Presbytery in extension of the First Baptist Church will take place on Tuesday next. The round trip will be made in one day.

The Jerome Hopkins orpheon festival was given at the Town Hall to-day. Among those who took part were Miss Grace L. Kennard, Miss Jenny Ivins, Edward Fabian and Nathan Franko, all of New-York City, to a large audience. The committee of management included the Hon. A. Hooper, J. F. Sherman, J. K. Chapman, W. H. Slee, Alfred H. Wood, W. Freas and H. Tompkins.

Nine Kelly Wheatl, contralto, J. F. Rhodes, violinist, Signor Fernando Michelson, tenor, and Signor Fiorentini, pianist, assisted at the grand concert given by Miss Clara Louise Kellogg at the United States Hotel last night. The attendance was very large and included some of Saratoga's most distinguished guests.

At the ministers' gathering at Temple Grove next Monday morning, the Rev. Dr. G. Hutchinson Smyth, of New-York City, will open the discussion on the subject: "The Relation of the Pulpit to the Dignity of the Times in our Country." A large number of prominent divines will be present and participate in the debate.

The state Board of Claims will meet here on Tuesday next, to hear appeals from awards of Canal Appraisers. The Hon. Denis O'Brien will represent the State.

The Board of Education has decided to postpone the reopening of the public school till Monday, September 8, which is one week later than usual.

Carmen James H. Riley, of Saratoga Lake, and James A. Van Eyck, of Peekskill, have concluded to row their match at the latter place on September 10. Their failure to pay the match note, as announced on two separate occasions, disappointed a large number.

Most of the hotels will remain open till early in October. Many will not close till the following month.

Miss Marion Foster, of New-York City, has returned to the metropolis for treatment. The young invalid artist met with an unfortunate accident here a few days ago, which threatens to impair her eyesight.

The fox-hound meets at Cady Hill and Wilteaville were witnessed by large gatherings of guests.

Secretary Charles Wheatly, of the Saratoga Racing Association, expects to have his work completed so as to enable him to return to his Fordham home on Monday next.

General Pierce Young, of Atlanta, Ga.; District-Attorney John Foley, of Saratoga; ex-District-Attorney N. C. Monk, of Albany; Lieutenant-Governor D. B. Hill, of Elmira; and Senator John C. Jacobs, of Brooklyn, addressed a gathering of Democrats in front of the Arlington Hotel last night. The occasion was the raising of a Cleveland-Hendricks banner. The enthusiasm was weak.

PLEASURES OF RICHFIELD SPRINGS.

TROTTING RACES—SKATING AT THE RINK—ARRIVALS AT THE HOTELS.

RICHFIELD SPRINGS, Aug. 30.—Last Saturday the driving park was visited by a large crowd, the event being a horse trot. Five starters appeared for the 2:35 race for a purse of $100. On the third score Nellie and Maud C. had a collision and by agreement the horses were sent from the track and the 2:35 race was called. Bessie B. and Buffalo Bill were the starters. The first heat was won by Bessie B. The second heat was declared a tie, both horses coming under the wire in 2:39. The fourth and last heat was very close, Bessie B. winning in 2:34. The 2:50 race was then recalled. Abby won the first heat. Black Prince was given a heat in 2:37½. Cedar Jack and Superb Prince trotted a heat, and Cedar Jack won in 2:34. The second heat of the 2:50 race was again won by Abby. As an intruder Superb Prince was beaten by Cedar Jack in 2:35. Black Prince again was driven to best 2:30, and he trotted the mile in 2:28¾. The third heat of the 2:50 race resulted in Abby winning easily.

The final heat between Superb Prince and Cedar Jack was won by the latter in 2:35. The judges were Colonel Kip, Edward Kearney and Julius Myers. Peter Moller acted as timer.

Saturday evening in the Spring House parlor H. C. Barnabee, of Boston, assisted by Max Kalski and Mrs. C. O. Ford, gave an entertainment. Mr. Barnabee read comic selections.

A most enjoyable affair took place at the Elite Roller Skating Rink Tuesday evening, the occasion being the soiree musicale given under the auspices of the Richfield Springs Improvement Society. Among the principal artists were Signor Carlos A. Serrano, William Ingland, Dr. L. A. Beckett, Miss Emma Beckwith-Serrano, Mrs. Gertrude Locher, Mrs. Anna Dudley Hills, Miss Kate Fitch and Louis Lombardi with his orchestra. The spring dance park presented an enchanted scene with its rows of Chinese lanterns and electric lights.

A party in the Elite Roller Skating Rink Thursday evening, for the benefit and entertainment of Manager J. S. Dressel. The following prizes were offered: To the most graceful lady skater, a gold medal; won by Miss Nettie Fuller. To the best amateur skater, a gold medal; won by John Sage. To the handsomest lady skater, Miss May Howlett, one dozen imperial photographs. To the most graceful couple, Miss Mollie Lewis and Scarl Keller, the same prize. To the most graceful gentleman skater, a pair of nickel-plated skates; won by Scarl Keller. To the best child skater, bouquet; won by Miss Luzenia Hinds. To the best burlesque skater, a box of cigars; won by George Sim. To the worst skater, a season ticket; won by Mr. Davis, of New-York. The rink will close on September 15.

Among the guests at the Davenport House are E. N. Hyneman, Frederick Chinnis, Edward Earle, Joseph W. Hill, J. T. Worthington, Mrs. Nathaniel Myers, Professor Henry Drisler, Frederick Beadle, A. S. Walker.

At the Tuller House are Mrs. E. P. Brown, Miss E. H. Warton, Mrs. John P. Kellogg, W. C. Hill, E. Lacher, A. J. Fay and Mrs. M. S. Irvins.

Among those at the New American are Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Holmes, Mrs. E. Holmes, Mr. and G. W. Pier, Miss Pier, Mrs. M. E. Smith, David Lapsley, A. W. Soper, Edwin M. Fox, R. Browning, John W. Russell, G. M. Banning, Mr. and Mrs. E. Gegerz, W. M. Thompson, J. Cayas, Miss K. Leimbach, Mrs. C. Adams, Miss E. J. Adams, Mrs. W. C. Adams, R. K. Adams, Mr. and Mrs. J. Amsden, James J. Faye, John H. Clapp, C. A. Runkle, Mr. and Mrs. L. Tompkins, Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Clark, Mrs. P. D. Abrams, H. M. Ladlier, Mrs. George Clark, jr., Mrs. J. Skillman, Miss Skillman, Mrs. George Sloane, Miss A. Sloane, R. J. Cross, Master W. Redmond Cross, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Clarke, of New-York.

The New American and Spring House will close for the season about October 15.

IN THE CATSKILL MOUNTAINS.

THE HOTELS DOING A GOOD BUSINESS—MANY NEW ARRIVALS—OPENING OF THE SHOOTING SEASON.

[FROM THE REGULAR CORRESPONDENT OF THE TRIBUNE.]

KINGSTON, N. Y., Aug. 30.—The golden days of the Catskill season have now arrived and those who have delayed their visit until the present time are in luck. The latter part of the week save yesterday, has been peculiarly delightful in the mountains. Clear skies, and clear atmospheres have prevailed and the distant landscapes have been boldly visible. The breezes were slightly cooler, but never more bracing, or richer in ozone. A few additional wraps will be found useful at this season, especially for evening wear. The departures are still less in number than the arrivals and the range is likely to have as many visitors to-morrow as at any other day of the season. The trains to-day have been heavily loaded and to-night the hotel registers present a full business aspect.

Most landlords predict a good September business having a large number of engagements booked, and the indications point to a late season. But of course, much if not all, depends upon the weather.

A railway ride at a low price, considering the cost to the company, is the five miles up Pine Hill, from Big Indian to the summit, on the Ulster and Delaware. The grade averages 150 feet to the mile, and the trains are so heavy that the engines need every pound of steam they can make. But the price per mile for tickets is the same as on the level stretches. But the company make it up on the return trip down the mountain when no steam is required and everything depends upon the brakes.

The Overlook resort has had an exceptionally prosperous season. Cots have been required in its halls and parlors, and the Overlook Hotel Company will doubtless be asked to enlarge before another season. The house is about full even yet. With a railway to the foot of this mountain an immense hotel would be required at the top. Pine Hill is one of the neatest and prettiest little villages in the mountains. The buildings seem all newly painted, and there is taste evinced in the blending of color. The place is full of visitors, and will be through September. The new Rip Van Winkle House has a fine appearance from the cars, and the proprietor already talks of enlargement.

Last week's issue of *The Kaatskill* rehearses the story of Rip VanWinkle. The knoll on which he slept, his gun, and other relics of his brief mountain nap may all be seen in Sleepy Hollow, a reserve little nook down on the Beach road and the old flagon with its "excellent Hollands," is usually kept on tap by the jolly man who keeps the little wayside inn there.

The Grant House is full of September applications and it will be kept open until November.

Some Columbia College boys at the Grand have lately been amusing themselves by kicking a foot ball in the rear of the hotel. Being determined to kick the ball over the top of the building they only succeeded after demolishing several window lights in the upper story, the cost of which is carefully computed in their bills of pro rata.

The present set of Mt. Utsayantha is the proper thing to do among Stamford visitors. The tower is two and a half miles from the village by a good road. Walter Von Loan says it commands without exception the most extended view to be had in the entire mountain range. Mr. Van Scotwood, of the Albany Day Line steamers, recently made the ascent, and expressed himself delighted with the grand prospect.

The new La Mont House at Shandaken, is growing in favor of late, and now has a full complement of guests. The locality is well adapted for boating and hunting, and the house will remain open until November.

Objection is frequently heard to the fee of twenty-five cents, which is charged at the Kaaterskill Falls, to those who desire to descend the long stairs and go behind the plunging waterfall. But it seems a little captious in view of the fact that the 300 steps and the necessary railing, seats, etc., cost something to make and keep in repair, and also because a fine platform nearly over the falls and precipice, really the best place to see the falls and gorge, is always free to visitors.

Annie Hayes, Bridget Hayes and Mary Mc ahe, of New-York, were drowned in Catskill Creek last Friday. They were bathing, one get suddenly into deep water and her companions went to her rescue.

Some days ago a party of visitors, while attempting to cross the railway bridge near Haines Falls, saw a train coming topping the mountain. Escape seemed impossible, and the ladies screamed with terror. But the engineer succeeded in stopping his locomotive when within about six feet of the party. One, a delicate lady, had dropped through the bridge, and was courageously clinging to the cross-ties. She was rescued by William Hamlentbeck just in time, as she says her strength was giving out, and another moment would have found her dashed in pieces on the rocks below.

A short and pithy sense spoon match, was a novel and humorous event at the mountain Prospect House, Hunter, recently. Aeon sixty of the guests were in closely string, and headed by the Hunter band, they marched to Bruce Lawn, returning afterward for an evening hop.

ATTRACTIONS AT COOPERSTOWN.

THE FALL SEASON BEGUN—CROWDS OF VISITORS FLOCKING TO THE HOTELS.

COOPERSTOWN, N. Y., Aug. 30.—Warm days and delightfully cool nights make this Cooperstown a desirable place for the dwellers of the city. The first faint indication of the end of summer shows itself here, and perhaps the pleasantest part of all the year at Cooperstown is just beginning. It is the general statement made by the summer travellers that this is one of the lovelier spots in the State. Nature has done so much lavish work in lake and river, hill and valley, and the village is charmingly located on the lake at its outlet, and on the bank of the Susquehanna, while around it are Mount Vision, Prospect Rock, Hannah's Hill, Observatory Hill, and a hundred other beauty spots of nature. Arrivals by the way of Stamford, and the Cooperstown Junction on the Albany and Susquehanna road, are gradually increasing, and if the gap was filled by a rail road link it would make a very desirable through line from New-York to the Catskills, Cooperstown, Richfield Springs, Thousand Islands, Lake George and Saratoga.

During the week the lake has been covered with yachts scudding gaily before the wind. The boating is not excelled on any sheet of water, and the facilities are ample and excellent.

Last Wednesday evening Mr. Leon Florestou, of Paris, gave an entertainment in the parlors of the Fenimore, in costume, in selections from "Louis IX" and "Antony."

At the Cooper House on Thursday evening a testimonial hop was given to Mr. H. Kiser, which was well attended. A children's matinee was given in the parlors on Friday afternoon.

Amateur theatricals and music filled in a pleasant evening at "Edgewater," the home of Mr. G. Pomeroy Keese, at which a handsome sum was realized in behalf of the Orphanage.

A large skating rink is in process of erection on Chestnut st.

Races have been a weekly feature on the Cooperstown race course during the season.

Thousands of Cooperstown have arrived in the farming districts here and in Otsego, the largest hop-producing country in the Union. They are now engaged in harvesting a good crop.

The following are among the arrivals the past week at the Cooper House: Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Rodman, Miss Rodman, Miss J. E. Thayer, Miss J. R. Thayer, Edwin H. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. E. Herbert Noyes, Miss Ethel Noyes, J. P. Schilman, Miss Skilman, Mrs. George Clark, New-York; S. P. Varion, Brooklyn; Porter Norton, Buffalo; Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Murray, Miss Howen, New-York; Charles J. Kipp, New-Jersey; Franklin H. Tann, Albany, N. Y.; William Beard, Brooklyn; Dr. and Mrs. S. E. Powell, Newport; M. E. Gilbert, Miss Anna Gilbert, Little Falls, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Carter, Chicago, Ill.; Earnest Carter, Chicago, Ill.; Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Miller, Philadelphia; Miss Florence Miller, M. H. Miller, E. S. Eddy and wife, Ithaca, N. Y.

Hotel Fenimore.—F. P. Wentworth, Columbus, Ohio; Mrs. E. M. Goodwin, J. H. Baldwin, H. Small and wife, Mrs. Warren Freeman, Miss F. W. Wescott, Miss Lorett,