THE REPUBLICAN CAMPAIGN.

NEWS FROM THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE.

ECHOES FROM THE MAINE ELECTION—PROSPECTS IN THE SOUTH AND WEST.

The echoes of the great Maine victory are still resounding at the headquarters of the Republican National Committee. The huge pile of letters and dispatches which were piled upon the desk of the secretary yesterday morning testified to the salutary effects of the victory throughout the country. The result in Maine has inspired the Republicans with fresh hope and confidence. The effect in Ohio, West Virginia, and some of the Southern States has been electrical. The Republicans are redoubling their exertions, and they know that success is theirs if they continue their vigorous work. "The vote in Maine," said a distinguished Irishman to the committee yesterday, "proves that a large number of Democrats voted the Republican ticket. I take it there could not have been fewer than 5,000 Irishmen who cast their ballots for the Republican candidates in the Maine election. The voters of Irish descent voted in September as they will vote in the October and November elections. My information from Ohio tells me that Mr. Blaine will receive an enormous Irish vote there."

The intelligence from the South grows more hopeful from day to day, and there is no doubt the committee will conduct a successful campaign in more than one of the Southern States. "The South is very ripe for Republican missionary work," said one of the dispatches, "and you have more strength there than you are counting upon." The best information from the West is to the effect that there is great dissatisfaction with the fusion tickets in the States where the Democratic and Greenback parties have formed a coalition. The rank and file of the Greenback party are disgusted with the manner in which their leaders have sold them out to the Democrats. Bolts have been organized, and it is altogether a matter of doubt whether any of the widely advertised fusions will be heard from in November. The Republican canvass in the Pacific States is going on quietly and effectively. Ex-Attorney-General George H. Williams, of Portland, Oregon, writes: "Our enthusiasm in this State is less than it would be if we were not perfectly confident that Oregon will give a larger majority for Blaine and Logan than it has ever given to any Presidential ticket. This is now admitted by intelligent men of both parties. The State will, however, be thoroughly canvassed by Republican speakers."

The War Veterans' Blaine and Logan Association is one of the active, important factors of the campaign. Said General Edward Jardine yesterday: "Our association has a large membership in all of the northern States save one, and that state will not be an exception many days longer. Our rolls have upwards of 300,000 names inscribed upon them. The association in New-York city has 40,000 members. Ex-soldiers alone are eligible. Brooklyn has three or four thousand members in its association. The old German soldiers are joining their former comrades in large numbers. Seven hundred German veterans have joined us in a single ward, in New-York city. Every mail brings news of fresh accessions. We hope to have more than 500,000 members before November 1."

The German Bureau at the Republican National Headquarters is always a busy place. It is in charge of the German secretary, G. G. Kaufmann, and F. W. Hollis. Mr. Hollis, who has an extensive correspondence with leading Germans throughout the country, says that the reports of the German defection among the Republicans of the West are generally enlarged and exaggerated. The German Bureau is doing good work in the way of counteracting the political canvass of Carl Schurz in Wisconsin, and reports from there indicate that while there is much difficulty to be met and hear Mr. Schurz, he exerts comparatively little influence, most of the so-called German Independents having been Democrats for years. There is a large demand for *Der Deutsch-Amerikaner*, the illustrated campaign paper; 1,000 copies are sent out each week.

Ex-Congressman F. K. Palmer, of Illinois, writes: "There this Illinois is no doubt, but the doubt consists in the uncertainty whether the State will give 30,000 or 50,000 for the Republican State and National tickets."

Among the callers yesterday were J. L. Thomas, Maryland; A. T. Crosby, New-York; H. L. Parsons, Bridgeport; C. Stoddard, Hartford; J. H. Simon, Ohio; A. S. Walker, Ohio; Jacob Kemple, West Virginia; A. P. Brown, Pennsylvania; John Roach, New-Jersey; J. B. Billings, J. E. Williams, Molly Pitcher Republican Club, Bridgeport; Judge Wm. H. West, Ohio.

HERMAN LEHLBACK FOR CONGRESS.

The adjourned Republican Convention of the VIth New-Jersey Congressional District assembled in the Republican wigwam at East Orange yesterday to nominate a candidate for Congress in the place of George A. Halsey, who was nominated last week, but was unable, through his business engagements, to accept the nomination. Before the convention met it was generally agreed among the delegates that the most available candidate would be Herman Lehlback, a prominent German-American citizen of Newark, and his nomination was therefore regarded as a foregone conclusion. The convention was presided over by Wayne Parker, who congratulated the party upon the great victory in Maine. He regarded the result as a popular rebuke to the Democratic campaign of mud-slinging. (Great applause.) When the nominations were made, several candidates withdrew as soon as their names were announced. The vote on the first ballot was: Lehlback 147, Cotter 39, General William Ward 12, Wayne Parker 2, Gardner Colby 7. Changes of votes were made, and a motion was made and carried to make the nomination unanimous. In accepting the nomination, Mr. Lehlback said he had not sought or desired it. He believed Republican success was assured, and he relied upon Republicans in Essex doing their duty to aid in his election as their representative. He "indorsed" the Republican platform, favored a protective tariff as created and upheld by Republican statesmanship, and warmly sympathized with the cause of labor. His speech was earnestly cheered, and three rousing cheers was given for the gallant State of Maine. The committee was one of the most harmonious and enthusiastic ever held in Essex.

The nominee was born in Baden in 1844, and came to America while young and has since prosecuted the business of an engraver. He has always been an uncompromising Republican. The only public office he held before was that of assemblyman, last winter, when his advocacy of popular measures and his bitter opposition to the schemes of the lobbyists made him a prominent man in the Assembly. His legislative record will give him hundreds of Democratic votes in Newark and much for him the full Republican vote. The nomination also heal sores caused by the bitterness engendered in the Democratic convention a fortnight ago, and affords German voters, Mr. Lehlback being a more popular and far more representative German-American than Mr. Poehler. He is also known for his strong Americanism. Mr. Lehlback is comparatively a poor man.

ENTHUSIASM IN WHITE PLAINS.

A BANNER RAISED—STRONG SPEECHES IN THE EVENING.

The Blaine and Logan Campaign Club, of White Plains, raised a large banner yesterday afternoon in spite of the extreme heat the enthusiasm of the club was unabated. At 3:30 p. m. a parade was formed at the banner in Railroad-ave., and escorted by a brass band, marched to Lafayette Hall. The banner was presented to the club by Garrett Roach, son of John Roach. Colonel Jacob Kemple, of Wheeling, W. Va., spoke on the tariff on iron, glass, pottery, wool and woolen goods, and in closing said: "I make no idle boast when I pledge to you for Blaine and Logan every one little State, which gave to Hayes and Logan as many votes as the Chicago Convention as old States. West Virginia, the child of the Rebellion, born amid the darkness of war and bloodshed, brought out into the conflict of freedom, given a place among the stars in the National banner nurtured and protected by the strong arm of the Republican party, I believe will come back again to rest its head upon the breast of its mother, the Republican party, in October 14." In referring to the tariff, he said: "In and around my home many of the skilled mechanics own the roofs that cover their own heads. Can you say this of any of the European skilled or unskilled laborers, male or female? Thank fortune we have no female laborers in our iron mills, no women forging heavy chains or working in coal mines."

Burton T. Beach, of New-York, said: "The Republican party will always succeed. It deserves to succeed in this campaign. It is a party of living principles. It knows what it stands for. It stands for free speech, free schools, free ballot and free soil. It does not stand for free rum, free morals or free trade. The first interests of the people demand its continuance. The Republican party is now ready to solve the problems which are pressing upon the national attention. Take the question of civil service. The Democratic party has turned out of office Senator Pendleton, who alone of Democrats found a practical scheme of civil service reform, and has replaced him by a man whose first public act was to sneer at the reform. Democracy allowed Butler to sneer at civil service reform in the National Convention. Its platform contains no reference to the subject except an insinuation that should Democracy succeed in November, it will restore the old spoils system. Blaine and Logan stand for honest election, honest returns for labor, honest money and all other honesty which is needed in public place."

MISSOURI REPUBLICAN NOMINATIONS.

NICHOLAS FORD FOR GOVERNOR—POINTS AGAINST THE DEMOCRACY.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Sept. 10.—At the afternoon session of the Republican Convention yesterday, the following nominations were made by acclamation:

For Governor	Nicholas Ford.
Lieutenant-Governor	Dr. H. Starkloff.
Treasurer	Major J. Simpson.
Auditor	Judge Jacob Sands.
Attorney-General	Colonel David Murphy.
Judge of the Supreme Court.	Judge David Wagner.

It is understood that the three offices not provided for on the ticket will be filled with Greenback nominees. The platform speaks of President Arthur's Administration as "eminently wise, conservative and patriotic," and cordial support is pledged to Blaine and Logan. The platform also says:

We indict the Bourbon Democracy of Missouri for persistently ignoring the Union element of the State. While the Republican party has obliterated every disability growing out of the rebellion, yet the Democratic party still persists in persecuting men for their loyalty, and in making service in the war against the Government a condition of important offices of the state and for Senators and Representatives in Congress. Against this policy we protest, as an insult to the Union and the State, and as an example fraught with demoralization to the patriotism of the youth of the country in all future time; also for its alliance with the protection of notorious and confessed bandits, whose presence in Missouri has driven immigration from its borders and capital from its industries. And all this has been most effectively repeated in the nomination of the present Democratic State ticket, at the head of which has been placed a man whose only claim to notoriety was his conspicuous position in the army recently waging war on the Government by which he was educated; therefore be it

Resolved, That we believe the time has come in the history of the State of Missouri when all good citizens, without regard to past differences, should lay aside all party prejudice and unite in wresting the government of the State from the hands of that party which by its repeated acts of lawlessness and misrule has betrayed every trust confided to its keeping, and has disgraced the fair name of our State at home and abroad; that we arraign the Democratic party for the present system of leasing the convict labor of our Penitentiary as detrimental to the interests of labor and degrading in its tendencies, and demand that it be abolished.

WORK OF THE STATE COMMITTEE.

Colonel Archibald E. Baxter, of Elmira, one of the campaign speakers of the Republican State Committee, visited their headquarters at the Gilsey House yesterday. He reported that he had made several speeches in the western part of the State and that he had been surprised at the largeness of the meetings. Every Republican within ten miles of a place where a meeting was to be held seemed to think it his duty to attend the gathering. The attention given to speeches was also close, showing that people were keenly interested in political matters. Everywhere the Republican clubs were well organized and had a large membership. On the other hand, the Democrats had no organization and seemed thoroughly dispirited. Many Democrats had joined the Republican clubs. In Colonel Baxter's opinion the Republican majority in the western part of the State would be larger than any ever given.

There was the usual flood of letters stating the formation of Republican clubs and the discussion among and the desertions from the Democrats, and inquiring for documents. James D. Warren, the chairman of the State Committee, will come to this city from Buffalo today and will remain here, probably to the end of the campaign.

A FINE PARADE IN NEWARK.

The first general parade of the uniformed Republican clubs of Newark was held last night. The streets were filled with people. The clubs were divided into five brigades and constituted altogether of about thirty-five hundred men, under the command of Major-General Carl Lentz. The parade was formed at Washington Park, while a number of batteries were stationed at various points to fire salutes. When the line began to move, at 9 o'clock, the streets were so packed that it was with difficulty a way was forced through by the pioneers. Most of the houses on the line of march were illuminated, and everywhere the procession was greeted with applause and cheering. The uniforms and equipments of most of the clubs were finer than have ever been known in a political campaign in Newark. Most of the officers were mounted and Major-General Lentz was surrounded by a numerous and brilliant staff.

HOW PROHIBITIONISTS SHOULD VOTE.

THE REV. MR. GILLESPIE'S REASONS FOR SUPPORTING THE REPUBLICAN TICKET.

NEWBURG, Sept. 10.—A few nights ago a Prohibition club was organized at Marlborough, and the Rev. R. D. Gillespie, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church there, was made president without his knowledge or consent. He was not at the meeting and did not authorize the use of his name. When informed of the action and urged to accept the office, he refused utterly, he says, to do so. He also says that while his declination (he being a Prohibitionist who does not propose to defeat the Republican candidates by helping along St. John and Daniel) might be susceptible of two interpretations, the one that he had abandoned his principles and advocacy of prohibition must not be one of them.

"I believe," he adds, "that I have good reasons for my action in not being a part of the Prohibition party movement in seeking to elect a President. My first reason is this: the gentleman who approached me, a Democrat, said: 'They (the Republicans) have been in power long enough.'

Now, to me there was evident a plan and intent under the cover of a great moral question to carry out a selfish purpose in destroying a party. My reason is the danger of losing all we, the prohibition party, have gained in many years' labor. The success of the prohibition movement is almost exclusively against the party that has given the country and nation all the legislation in temperance we have had. It seems to me that before base ingratitude to say the least—more like suicide—to wreck the party of our hope and hope. As a third reason admit that the prohibition party are able to elect their candidate to the presidency. They have secured the weakest force in this great republic to control and direct the interests of temperance reformation, with its States and counties and towns subjected to sentiment to obtain an executive in the interests of legislation for the people."

FRANK HISCOCK RENOMINATED.

CHOSEN FOR THE FIFTH TIME TO REPRESENT THE XXVTH DISTRICT.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

SYRACUSE, Sept. 10.—The Republican Convention for the XXVth Congressional District, embracing the counties of Cortland and Onondaga, to-day renominated Frank Hiscock for representative in Congress. The special force of this preference is that it is a nomination for a fifth term in Congress, to which Mr. Hiscock will unquestionably be chosen by the popular vote. Colonel Frank Place, of Cortland, was made chairman of the convention. On motion of A. P. Smith, of Cortland, the nomination of Mr. Hiscock was made by acclamation. A. P. Smith and General D. H. Bruce were named as a committee to wait upon Mr. Hiscock and request his presence.

Mr. Hiscock returned with the committee and was warmly received. In accepting the nomination Mr. Hiscock said he was sensible of the honor bestowed upon him. He discussed the general politics of the country, reviewing the positions of the great parties on the tariff, and showing the importance to manufacturers, agriculturists and all producers of the maintenance of the policy of protection. He was absolutely sure that that into election was to settle the tariff question for a series of years. With Democratic success ten per cent be upon the revenue of wool to be revived and made as low as with Republican success the protective policy would be maintained and the great material prosperity of the country be continued and augmented to still better and more satisfactory results. Mr. Hiscock's references to the war was and the result in States and to Mr. Blaine personally were warmly applauded. He predicted a triumphant Republican victory in November. In attaining that result he would give his best abilities and efforts.

The convention gave three cheers for James G. Blaine, which were followed by three cheers for Frank Hiscock.

NO DEFLECTION IN INDIANA.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

WASHINGTON, Sept. 10.—Secretary McPherson has received the following letter from J. E. Desendorf, who is now making speeches in Indiana:

I have now been in Southern Indiana a week, speaking every day and some times twice a day. I am glad to report that after the most careful inquiry made in each of the counties I have visited that there is positively no defection among Republicans; that there is no truth in the reported defection among the Germans. On the contrary we are gaining from among the Germans who have heretofore voted the Democratic ticket, and also among the Irish. This county (Washington) was where the Knights of the Golden Circle originated, their headquarters being in this city (Salem). I am informed by our friends that we are making substantial gains here. One of the County Commissioners, who was an original Democrat, has come out for Blaine and Logan, and quite a number of ex-Union soldiers, who have heretofore voted the Democratic ticket, have declared for Blaine and Logan.

NOMINATIONS IN CHENANGO COUNTY.

NORWICH, N. Y., Sept. 10.—The Republican County Convention was held here to-day and a full county ticket nominated. O. H. Curtis, of Oxford, was elected chairman. The convention was briefly addressed by Judge Crawford, of Boston, who chanced to be present. He spoke encouragingly of the prospects in his State, and at every mention of the names of Blaine and Logan he was interrupted by applause. He was followed by Senator E. B. Taomas and Congressman George W. Ray. Delegates to the Congressional Convention to be held at Oxford in October were appointed as follows: L. D. Newton, A. F. Gladding, Edward B. Thomas, Norwich; Solomon Bunday, D. M. Lee, Oxford; D. L. Atkins, Sherburne; Silas W. Berry, Plainsalla. They were instructed to favor the renomination of Mr. Ray from this place, and resolutions commending his course in the House of Representatives were unanimously passed. A resolution commending the administration of President Arthur was also adopted. George B. Whitmore, of Sherburne, was nominated for Assembly.

NOMINATIONS IN NIAGARA COUNTY.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

LOCKPORT, N. Y., Sept. 10.—The Republicans of Niagara County held their County Convention in the Opera House this afternoon. Fifty-five delegates were present, and the enthusiasm displayed was remarkable. They nominated Frank P. Weaver, of Cambria, for Sheriff; James Atwater, of Lockport, for County Treasurer; Milton Robinson, of Lewiston, for Coroner; and Gordon Rowe, of Hartland, for Justice of Sessions. Jean G. Freeman, of Lockport, was re-elected chairman of the County Committee.

NOMINATED ON THE TWENTY-SIXTH BALLOT

Toms River, N. J., Sept. 10.—The IInd Congressional District Republican Convention was held here to-day, and Judge James Buchanan, of Trenton, was nominated on the twenty-sixth ballot. The other candidates were S. L. Shous, of Atlantic City, and ex-Congressman J. Howard Pugh, of Burlington.

ORGANIZING A PARADE IN CINCINNATI.

CINCINNATI, Sept. 10.—The Order of Cincinnatus, an organization for the purpose of producing street parades on a grand scale, has arranged for a pageant on the night of September 17. The members have information that both Blaine and Logan will be here that night and witnesses. There is to be a Republican conference held here at that time.

RATIFYING A NOMINATION AT UTICA.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

UTICA, Sept. 10.—The 1st Assembly District Republican Convention was held this forenoon. The attendance was large, and after considerable discussion the nomination of Dr. Henry A. Steber, the Trades-Assembly candidate, was ratified. The Republicans took the same action one year ago upon the nomination of Joseph Joyce. The Democrats nominated Thomas Jay Griffiths.

HENRY CABOT LODGE FOR CONGRESS.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

LYNN, Mass., Sept. 10.—The Republicans of the VIth (Essex) Congressional District held a convention at Odd-fellows' Hall this afternoon and nominated Henry Cabot Lodge, of Nahant. In the evening the successful candidate entertained a large number of his friends, including the Lodge Cadets from Everett, and a corps from Lynn. Mr. Lodge's friends are positive in their declarations that he will be elected.

A NEW OHIO REPUBLICAN PAPER.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

SPRINGFIELD, Ohio, Sept. 10.—C. L. Nichols, the veteran editor of *The Springfield Republic*, has started a new Republican paper, called *The Weekly Chronicle*. If sufficient encouragement is given it will be run as a daily throughout the Campaign. The paper is a four page, seven column sheet. The Republican Central Committee and Republicans generally will give it a warm welcome.

NOTES OF THE CAMPAIGN.

The Republicans of the XVIIth Assembly District last evening raised a Blaine and Logan banner at Eighth-ave. and Forty-seventh-st. Tee exercises were attended by at least 5,000 people. Speeches were made by ex-Justice Charles A. Flammer, the chairman; Charles Doldie, of the IXth District; General George W. Palmer, John Finch, and Mr. Fox, of St. Louis. At 9 o'clock the Simonson Battery of the district paraded down the avenue amid fireworks and cheering.

Company B, Blackie Zouaves, met last evening at No. 290 Eighth-ave., and under command of Captain George Curby march'd down to King and West sts. and assisted in raising a banner by the Blaine and Logan Club of that district. They turned out seventy-five strong and made a fine appearance.

A meeting of the Thomas L. James Battery was held at No. 28 Varick-st. last evening and the following officers were elected: Michael Murphy, captain; Frederick W. Schmidt, first lieutenant; Michael Dorsey, second lieutenant; Philip Sheridan, adjutant; Arthur Wilson, quartermaster. The meeting was addressed by Daniel O'Connell, of Chicago, M. Shuyvesant and others.

The Young Men's Republican Club, of Brooklyn, has selected the following officers: President, Henry W. Kulcke; vice-presidents, William C. Bryant, J. J. Enright and C. E. Lockwood; secretary, Frederick Treadwell; assistant secretary, Henry B. Davenport; treasurer, E. B. Sedgwick. The club will open its active campaign work with a mass meeting in the Brooklyn Rink this evening at which William C. Wait, the blind orator of Ohio, will make the speech nominating Mr. Blaine at Chicago, and Charles W. Sawyer, of Connecticut, will speak.

The Twenty-seventh Ward Protective Association has been formed in Brooklyn with sixty active members, all pledged to vote for Blaine and Logan. The officers are: A. C. Wykes, president; Thomas N. Butcher, Philip Hall and Eugene J. Coffey, vice-presidents; Jacob Betz, treasurer; Max Wolff and James C. Johnston, secretaries.

The Eighteenth Ward (Brooklyn) Blaine and Logan Campaign Club held a meeting on Tuesday evening. It was more enthusiastic and better attended than any yet held. Robert Anderson, Colonel Elliott, Colonel Lee Norting, Dr. H. L. Hawkins and Jared Chambers made addresses. Music was furnished by the Unity Glee Club.

A public meeting was held last evening under the auspices of the Young Men's Blaine and Logan Campaign Club of East Chester. The Boys in Blue, numbering 150 turned out in their new uniforms. Judge Mills opened the proceedings with a few remarks, and after singing by glee club, and a song by James H. Jenkins, F. X. Simonson made a forcible address, which was enthusiastically received.

A Blaine and Logan Campaign Club has been organized at Fort Lee, N. J., with the following officers: Charles E. Bohler, president; M. Hanover, secretary; H. E. Mabee, treasurer.

THE COURTS.

FRAGMENTS OF COURT NEWS.

An extended argument was made yesterday before Justice Donohue, in the Supreme Court, Chambers, on the motion made in the suit of Ralph L. Anderson, who desires to restrain Rudolph Aronson from voting in 200 shares of the New-York Concert Company stock. This stock, it is alleged, was illegally transferred to Mr. Aronson at a meeting of the directors. By agreement the annual election of directors was deferred until Saturday, September 27. Decision was reserved.

An attachment against the property of the estate of David R. Swan was granted in the Supreme Court yesterday, in the suit of the Northern Pacific Railroad Company to recover $21,246.03. Swan, the cashier of the company at St. Paul, Minn., is charged with misappropriating this sum. The alleged embezzlements were: February 23, $5,000; February 26, $3,000; February 27, $2,000; February 29, $2,000; June 21, $9,246.03.

On motion of ex-Judge Horace Russell, in the Supreme Court Chambers yesterday, Justice Donohue ordered that $750 security be filed by the people of the State of Illinois in the suit to recover $11,911 alleged to be due as taxes on the Chicago property of Henry Hilton and William Libbey, of the firm of A. T. Stewart & Co.

COURT CALENDARS THIS DAY.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—Before Donohue, J.—Nos. 14, 22, 23, 27, 121, 125, 126, 127, 131, 132, 207, 226, 230, 241, 258, 263, 265, 266, 267, 268.

MR. BONNER ON TROTTING HORSES.

A REQUEST TO EXHIBIT MAUD S. AT THE PENNSYLVANIA FAIR DECLINED.

From The Turf, Field and Farm, New-York.

Mr. George H. Stuart, president of the Merchants' Bank of Philadelphia, at the instance of several leading citizens of that city who are members of the Pennsylvania State Agricultural Society, have written to Mr. Bonner asking him to permit Maud S. to be exhibited at their fair. Mr. Bonner wrote the following reply, in which he gives some original and interesting views on the trotting horse:

OFFICE OF THE LEDGER,
NEW-YORK, Sept. 8, 1884.

MY DEAR MR. STUART:

It would afford me great pleasure to oblige you personally by complying with the request of your friends of the Pennsylvania State Agricultural Society to send over Maud S. to be exhibited during the fair which opens this week, were it not that I have already sent her to Charter Oak Park, at Hartford, where she is to remain for several weeks under the care of her old trainer and groom, in order to give her the proper preparation to beat her own unequaled record. Mr. Vanderbilt believes, and I believe—in fact every one who knows the mare believes—that she is capable of doing this, and I have concluded to give her an opportunity to do so.

You say that during the fair "there will be no trotting or racing of any kind." Now, I am as much opposed to trotting or racing for money as any one. Anything that involves or includes betting, whether it be on the result of a contest between horses or on the result of a contest between candidates for the Presidency, I object to. These have been my life-long convictions. I have always maintained that a gentleman can own and drive a good horse without being obliged to wager money on what the animal can accomplish. But if there is to be no trotting—even when disconnected with betting—at the fair of your State Agricultural Society, I do not see that Maud S. has any business there. She excels all other horses, not in size or weight, or even in beauty, although she is a very handsome animal, but in trotting, which it seems your State society excludes from its exhibitions. Surely there can be nothing wrong in permitting an animal like Maud S. to display her natural powers, so long as she is not used for gambling purposes. I once put the following questions to your friend and my friend, Dr. McCosh: "What did the Almighty endue swift trotting horses with extraordinary speed for, if it was wrong to let them indulge in their natural gait? Did he ever make anything for the use of man of which man is bound to use a mean specimen when he can honestly afford to use a good one?" If so, I asked, then all you clergymen ought to be confined to broken down, spavined and foundered horses. The great metaphysician with a smile replied: "Those are questions for theologians like Dr. Hodge," the doctor happening to be standing by his side.

Agricultural societies very properly offer premiums, to the farmer who raises the largest pumpkins, the best turnips and potatoes, the best hogs, the finest cattle, etc., etc. Why may they not just as properly offer a premium—i. e., without exacting an entrance fee, which is virtually wagering money—to farmers who raise the swiftest trotting horses? It is said that the man who makes two blades of grass grow where only one formerly grew is a benefactor of his race. Let me give an illustration in this line: According to the time-table it takes forty-eight minutes for the Sixth-ave. cars to run from the Astor House to the Central Park, the end of their route. Now, a breed of trotting horses can be raised and with very little extra expense, to accomplish that distance in thirty-five minutes, with more ease and less distress to themselves than it now takes ordinary horses to do the same distance in forty-eight minutes. This opinion I expressed one day when he was at my stable, to that broad-minded gentleman, Mr. Garrett, the president of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, who owns a large number of purely bred Arab horses. He not merely coincided in this view, but made the significant remark: "It is easy for a bird to fly, but just as natural for an ox to walk."

I have been thus particular in answering your note because your name has been prominently before the public as chairman of the Christian Commission, and in connection with reforms in church psalmody, etc. I am also, in a quiet way, aiming for reform in another direction. It was Dr. Chalmers, I believe, who, in discussing the question of church music, said that he did not see why the devil should have all the best tunes; and another distinguished clergyman, in referring to the location of churches and the theatres on prominent streets, with much emphasis objected to the devil having all the best sites. Now, why should either the devil or the gamblers have all the best horses? Isn't there an opportunity for reform here, too? Regretting my inability, for the reasons which I have given, to comply with your polite request, I am very truly yours,

GEO. H. STUART, Esq., ROBERT BONNER.

OUT-DOOR SPORTS.

WINNING BIG TROTTING STAKES.

THE RACES AT THE NEW-YORK DRIVING CLUB GROUNDS—EDWARD AND SWIVELLER'S FEAT.

The racing yesterday at the New-York Driving Club Grounds, Morrisiana, under the auspices of the National Association of Trotting Horse Breeders, was much better than any previous effort made by them. It was the second day of their eighth annual meeting. In the unfinished race for mares that have never beaten 2:30, Lady Majolica succeeded in winning the fifth heat in 2:25, the fastest of the race. Highland Win was too much for the others, however, and secured the stakes by winning the sixth heat. General Tracy, of Maryland Stud Farm, added the Juvenile stakes to his list of victories with his filly Oracle. The rich Wilson Stallion Stakes went to Kentucky's representative, Early Dawn. She distanced her field in 2:26¼, taking the whole purse $9,400. This is the largest amount won this year by any trotting horse in any one race. She was afterward given a trial mile in 2:22¼. John Murphy's running team, John O. Nay and John J. O., hitched to a skeleton accompanied her to give her courage. It was trotted without a skip. She only recently arrived from Kentucky, where she had trotted a third heat in 2:30¼ over a muddy track. The New-York Driving Club's track is known to be slow on account of the grades. She was handled by a young man only twenty years old and not a professional. The performance stamps her as a remarkable filly. She is of fine size and shows substance. Murphy gave his runners a mile afterward in 1:55¼. Frank Work's team, Dick Swiveller and Edward trotted a good mile. It was H. W. T. Mali's Helena that walked over for the Mali stakes on Tuesday instead of Carl Burr's Eyrie as reported. The mistake was made on account of Carl Burr's driving Helena and wearing Eyrie's colors. H. W. T. Mali, David Bonner and Samuel Weeks acted as Judges.

The first race was the unfinished race of yesterday for the Standard Stakes. Smuggler's Daughter had won two heats and Highland Win had gamed two. Fifth heat.—Smuggler's daughter had the pole—Lady Majolica second place. Highland Win was on the outside. Smuggler's Daughter was first away and opened a gap of a length at the turn but broke and dropped back fast, Highland Win going to the front and led two lengths at the quarter pole, and Smuggler's daughter had moved up to second place, Lady Majolica two lengths further back. These positions were maintained past the half-mile pole. Going up the hill Smuggler's Daughter drew up on Highland Win, and was only half a length behind, Lady Majolica two lengths behind her. The race from the three-quarters pole was sulried, Highland Win and Smuggler's Daughter being lapped and Lady Majolica under Murphy's skillful handling coming fast. Highland Win and Lady Majolica passed under the wire head and head, Smuggler's Daughter one length back. The heat was given to Lady Majolica on account of the constant skipping of Highland Win. Time 2:25. Sixth heat.—Highland Win had the best of the send-off, and was a length in advance at the turn, Smuggler's Daughter second by a length, Lady Majolica third. These positions were maintained past the quarter and half-mile poles. At the three-quarters pole all three were lapped, Highland Win leading half a length, Smuggler's Daughter second, a length in advance of Lady Majolica. Coming up the homestretch the contest was exciting, but Highland Win had the most speed and passed under the wire first. Time 2:26. This gave Highland Win first money, she having won the first, second and sixth heats.

The Juvenile Stakes for foals of 1881 was taken by General B. F. Tracy's bay filly Oracle, by Cuyuse, she had an easy victory over her only opponent, H. W. T. Mali's Helena, by Meredith, winning both heats easily in 2:56½ and 2:53½.

The third race was for the Union Stakes, and was a walk-over for J. O'Rourke's bay horse West Brewery, by Tom-Boy. He trotted the mile in 2:46½.

The fourth race was for the $9,400 Wilson Stallion Stakes, for foals of 1880. There were five started: E. Kearney's Stevie, by Kentucky Prince, driven by J. Murphy; C. Buckman's colt Antonio, by Messenger Duroc, driven by W. Snyder; T. Loughran's Sportsman, by Kentucky Prince, driven by E. H. Heard; H. Fox's Minnette Meadow, by Administrator, driven by owner, and Dr. S. Price's filly Early Dawn, by George Wilkes, driven by L. E. Simmons. Early Dawn trotted on the outside of the lot and did not obtain the lead until the quarter pole was reached, but had struck her gait, and went on in a manner that astonished her pursuers and opened such a gap that the other drivers' minds were centred upon saving their distance, and even in this they were disappointed, for although she made a break in the home stretch, she succeeded in shutting them all out. She went to the quarter in 38 seconds, half in 1:12¾, three-quarters in 1:50¾ and mile in 2:26¼. After the decision of the judges it was announced that Early Dawn would be driven an exhibition mile, which she trotted in 2:22¼. The quarter was made in 35¼ seconds, half in 1:10¼ and three-quarters in 1:46.

Frank Work's team driven by John Murphy in a skeleton wagon were driven a mile, with a Riley betting Mr. Work that they would beat 2:20. They rounded to the quarter in 33¾ seconds, the half in 1:07¼, the three-quarters in 1:42¾ and the mile in 2:18. They did not make a skip, but trotted squarely from start to finish. Swiveller showed some signs of distress, but Edward finished fresh.

To-day the Nursery, Manhattan and Providence Stakes will be trotted for. Among the well-known horsemen present were H. W. T. Mali, David Bonner, Charles Buckman, H. N. Smith, General B. F. Tracy, spencer Borden, ex-Mayor Lindsey, of Fall River, Mass., D. D. Hipply, J. D. Willis, Shepherd F. Knapp, Frank Ellis, J. C. Howland, W. F. Kirkman, George Steinde, Hamilton Busby, George C. Hitchcock, W. H. Buckingham, Nathan Strauss, Matthew Riley, R. G. Dunlap, Frank Work, Ephraim Simmons, A. A. Bonner, and A. De Cordova.

ENTRIES AT SHEEPSHEAD BAY.

LARGE FIELDS AGAIN—LOUISETTE AND DUCHESS TO RUN.

There is abundant promise of excellent sport at Sheepshead Bay to-day with the list of seventy starters for six races. In the Bridge Handicap for three-year olds at a mile and a half, it is an extremely interesting question whether Louisette can give away so much weight to the big and strong field arrayed against her. She does not seem willing to try it with Duchess, who was handicapped at the same weight with Louisette, 118 pounds, and has concluded to run her against Monitor and the others in the 1¾ miles handicap, where her chances must be considered excellent.

FIRST RACE, TWO-YEAR-OLDS, SELLING, ¾ MILE.

Name.	Weight. Name.	Weight.
Alfred	108 Miss Daly	98
Contessa	105 Ma Chere	92
Bahama	103 Dublin	97
Bessie	98 Princess	92
Petersburg	95 Little Maid	92
Joe Bell	92 Coral	92
Windsail	92	

SECOND RACE, HANDICAP, 1⅛ MILES.

Name.	Age.	Weight.	Name.	Age.	Weight.
Duplex	6	118	Shenandoah	3	100
Pere Kyle	4	114	Conkling	3	100
All Hands Around	4	109	Glenarms	6	98
Dunlap	5	107	Lancaster	6	98
Lytton	4	102	Linden	3	85

THIRD RACE, BRIDGE HANDICAP, THREE-YEAR-OLDS, 1½ MILES.

Name.	Weight.	Name.	Age.	Weight.
Louisette	118	Shenandoah		98
Blast	112	Sandoval		96
Greystone	109	Leo		95
Palfanora	107	Lancaster		95
Tattler	105	Richard L.		95
Tom	105	Vinton		95
Endymion	103	Tattoo colt		94
Frida	100	Hopeful		93
Water Lily	100	Blue Bell		87

FOURTH RACE, HANDICAP, 1¾ MILES.

Name.	Age.	Weight.	Name.	Age.	Weight.
Monitor	a	117	Nettie	5	94
Duchess	3	107	Yosemite	6	92
Glenarm	5	97	Clonmel	4	85

FIFTH RACE, SELLING, ¾ MILE.

Name.	Age.	Weight.	Name.	Age.	Weight.
Tallyrand	4	126	Reta	—	103
Sam Brown	4	119	Medusa	5	101
Warren Leland	5	114	Leroy	6	100
Valley Forge	3	112	King Tom	3	100
Chinook	a	110	John Ledford	3	100
Manitoba	3	109	Eros	3	97
Krupp Gun	a	109	Sugar Plum	3	97
Casino	3	107	Galaxy	3	97
Pinafore	5	103	Nellie Gleanon	—	97
Uberto	5	103			

SIXTH RACE, STEEPLECHASE, SHORT COURSE.

Name.	Age.	Weight.	Name.	Age.	Weight.
Charley Epps	5	147	Altair	4	134
Jim Mulcahey	a	140	Quebec	5	132
Beaverwyck	5	140	Rose	a	132
Disturbance	a	137	Ranger	5	132
Puritan	a	137	Benero	4	130

The pool selling at Coney Island last night averaged as follows:

First Race—Miss Daly $25, Contessa $16, Bahama $15, Petersburg $13, Joe Bell $12, Windsail $9, Coral $5, Sussex $5, field $7.

Second Race—Pere Kyle $50, Dunlap $41, Haska $40, Sauntorer $40, Shenandoah $35, Linoynation $32, Glengarms $31, Lizzie $25, All-Hands-Around $20, Lytton $19.

Third Race—Louisette $150, Baldwin $105, Water Lily $100, Blast $65, Greystone $45, Hopeful $40, Vinton $40, Buckmaster $40, F. Lorillard $35, Tom $30, Palfanora $30, Tattoo colt $25, Richard L. $20, Blue Bell $20, Sandoval $15, Tattler $10.

Fourth Race—Duchess $200, Monitor $95, Nettie $45, Glenarm $45, Clonmel $15, Arsenic $15.

Fifth Race—Medusa $35, Pinafore $30, Casino $30, Nellie Gleanon $22, Galaxy $16, Valley Forge $16, Eros $15, Manitoba $14, King Tom $12, Krupp Gun $12, Sam Brown $10, Chinook $9, John Ledford $8, Uberto $7, Sugar Plum $6, field $11.

FAVORITES WIN AT LEX