THE SEARCH FOR DE LONG.

MASTER PUTNAM OF THE RODGERS SWEPT OUT TO SEA.

Two Weeks in the Arctic Sea—Lieut. Harber's Adventures in Siberia—Narrow Escape from the Sudden Rise of a River.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—A communication, which has been largely anticipated by telegraph, was received at the Navy Department to-day from Commander R. M. Berry of the burned search steamer Rodgers, dated Nishne Kalmysk, Siberia, April 4, 1882, in which he reports the probable sad loss of Master C. F. Putnam, whom he considered an excellent officer and courteous gentleman. He had gone down to St. Lawrence Bay with provisions and clothing for the officers and crew, and, having performed this duty, was returning to Edeotlaw, near Serage Kamen, when the party was overtaken by one of the driving snow storms common in those regions. After remaining out all night, they found it impossible to proceed, and started to return to the village of Nuthassimani, on the south side of St. Lawrence Bay, but Mr. Putnam's sled became separated from the others, containing Passed Assistant Engineer Zane, Ensign H. T. Hunt, Dr. J. D. Castillo, and three natives, who reached the village in safety. Mr. Putnam passed close to the village, and ran out upon the ice in the bay, which broke adrift by the force of the wind, and was swept out into the Straights, carrying him with it. Two days later, Jan. 13, he was seen from shore to the southward of and near the mouth of the bay, without his sled, but surrounded by his dogs. An attempt was made to reach him by the natives in a canoe, but after launching it they could not force it through the young ice which lay between him and the shore, nor could they pass over it. A westerly wind afterward drove the ice still further from shore, and he had not been since heard from, up to Jan. 23.

Lieut. Berry left Executive on Feb. 8, in company with Ensign Hunt and a native guide, poorly provided with dogs, and with but one sled for the two and for provisions. At the village near Cape Wankarem he learned from the natives that some of them had visited a ship which came down with the ice in August or September, 1880, and took some articles from her; also that the Thomas Corwin had visited that place in the summer of 1881, and taken some of the articles away. They described the wrecked vessels as dismasted, broken, and filled with ice, having dead bodies on board, and with deer horns on the flying jibboom. At the village of Dtrouck, about twenty miles east of Jakan, a second vessel was visited by the natives about the same time, and articles were brought from her on shore. He saw among others coppers, lances, skylights, and an oar. None had marks by which the vessel could be recognized. They described the vessel as painted black outside and white inside, dismasted, filled with ice, and with dead bodies covering her. There were no deer horns on the flying jibboom, nor dead bodies on board. In both cases the vessels were visited only once, and drifted off to the northward and westward with the wind. He arrived at Nishne Kalymsk on March 24, and learned of the arrival of some of the Jeannette's crew on the coast, but the information which he could at that time get was so imperfect that he waited for the Ispravnik to arrive, who gave fuller details. He (Lieut. Berry) says that he considered it his duty to proceed along the coast to the mouth of the Lena, and, if possible, to learn something of the fate of their unfortunate countrymen. He further says that he cannot learn that the coast between that place and the Lena has been searched, and he feels that Chaun's boat was last seen to the eastward of the others, he believes that this should be done at once. This will render it too late for him to again join the party at St. Lawrence Bay, but he has no fears on their account, as they are well provided with such food as the natives live upon, and have officers with them to take them home when a vessel arrives.

A communication was also received from Lieut. Giles B. Harber, U. S. N., dated at Viska, near Siberia, June 11, 1882, as follows:

On Thursday, April 13, I signed the contract pertaining to the steamer General Sminikoff, a copy of which was translated and sent to you the same day. Immediately afterward I started north, accompanied by Mr. Dorrmann, interpreter, and F. Emanson, seaman. The snow had gone from the ground and the rivers were breaking up, so the roads were nearly impassable. However, we reached Viteen on April 28, after experiencing every variety of conveyance and all kinds of weather. Three hundred and fifty versts were made in post wagons, two versts in sleds, nearly the whole of the latter being through mud and water, except where crossing mountains of considerable elevation, where we got snow, and nearly 250 versts were made on horseback. Once only did we experience any danger, and that occurred just as we had crossed a river, by swimming our horses, while our baggage was taken in a small boat. When the opposite bank was reached a wonderful noise from up the river caused the natives to hasten to the river bank with horses and parcels, and the water rose some six feet (perpendicular height) in three minutes, and the river itself was filled with immense masses of ice, which no boat could live. We escaped being caught in this by ten or fifteen minutes.

Lieut. Harber then says that it was impossible for him to go to Vorongfsky until May 25, the river being unsafe, and the passage by land being through unbroken forests, and over a continuous series of mountains. He therefore waited at Viska until the river broke up. When he went to Varongfsky he found, after inspection, that the steamer Gen. Sminikoff was unfit for his purpose, and accordingly he declined to accept her. He then learned that Long had his party had been found dead, and that the Rodgers had been burned. He expected to reach the delta by July 1.

ANOTHER SPEECH ENDED.

Mr. McSweeny Gets Through in the Star Route Case—Mr. Merrick to Follow.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—Mr. McSweeny continued his speech for the defence, and particularly for the defence of ex-Senator Dorsey, in the Star route trial to-day. He quoted Mr. Bliss as saying: "If, at the time the confession was made, the conspiracy was still in progress, the statement of Rerdell would bind them all," and disputed the truth of the statement.

The Court—Mr. Bliss assumed that the conspiracy was in existence, and that this confession was made in the course of it.

Mr. McSweeny—But it is bad law. Your Honor has said that the confession of a party before a conspiracy could not help to establish the conspiracy.

The Court—I think that I have expressed the opinion that if the confession is made after the conspiracy is over, it may be accepted as evidence against him.

Mr. McSweeny—Certainly.

The Court—But against himself alone.

Mr. McSweeny repeated Mr. Bliss's language, and again denounced it as bad law.

The Court—Mr. Bliss has not yet submitted that proposition to the Court.

Mr. McSweeny continued to argue the point, and Judge Wylie said: "I do not think it worth while for you to exhaust your strength in argument to this matter. I have not been asked for instructions to the jury on the subject by either side, but in the course of the trial the Court had occasion to give expression to his views in regard to this very matter—that is, that a member of a conspiracy has no authority to bind the others by a confession. Mr. Bliss would be hard put if he should undertake to show that Rerdell was in the execution of the purposes of the conspiracy. That, I think, is the law."

Mr. McSweeny—Undoubtedly.

Mr. McSweeny then proceeded to criticise and ridicule the testimony of Walsh. Then he ridiculed the statement that one more horse than was needed had been used on the Tongue River route. He referred to Macaulay's picture of the New Zealander sketching the ruins of St. Paul from London Bridge, and himself drew a picture of the same traveller sitting on Long Bridge and sketching the ruins of the Capitol—points attributable to the extra horse on the Bismarck and Tongue River route. The country had survived the little difficulties with England in 1776 and in 1812, and had recovered from its civil war, but there had come a time when out on the Bismarck and Tongue River route the mail had been carried by three horses instead of two, and then the fall came. His speech was largely made up of this sort of stuff. After he finished the court adjourned until to-morrow, when Mr. Merrick will speak for the prosecution.

Maine Independent Republican Platform.

PORTLAND, Aug. 23.—The Independent Republican party announces the following platform:

Upon full consultation and correspondence with leading men in all parts of the state the following platform has been adopted for an Independent Republican party:

First—Thorough and systematic reform in all branches of the civil service.

Second—Faithful execution of the laws in all parts of the State, including the Liquor law and the laws for the observance of the Sabbath, having temperance without hypocrisy and prohibition without drunkenness.

Third—Strict economy in the expenditure of public money, and a consequent reduction of taxes.

Fourth—Opposition to machine politics, "boss" rule, political assessments, bribery, and fraud in controlling elections and conventions.

Executive Committee—Elias Milliken of Augusta, M. R. Clason of Augusta, Edward Crowninghield of Belfast, E. S. Perry of Lewiston, Joshua Brooks of Portland, T. B. Chapin of Portland, Edward F. Banks of Portland.

A meeting of the Executive Committee will be held at Brunswick Depot at 11 A. M. on Saturday next.

Free Thinkers' National Convention.

WATKINS GLEN, N. Y., Aug. 23.—The Free Thinkers' National Convention convened here to-day. Some 300 delegates are present, representing most of the Northern States and some of the Southern States and Canada. Many more delegates are expected to-morrow. The subject of establishing a free thought college was discussed to-day, and a committee, of which Col. Ingersoll will be Chairman, will be appointed to see what can be done toward establishing such a university. Among the speakers in attendance are George E. Mills of Chicago, George Chainey of Boston, the Hon. T. B. Wakeman of New York, Charles Bright of Australia, Mrs. H. L. Laws of San Francisco, and the Hon. A. H. Bradford of Pennsylvania. Col. Ingersoll is expected to arrive here on Saturday, and to deliver an address on Sunday.

PENNSYLVANIA INDEPENDENTS

Replying to Simon Cameron's Charge that they are in Alliance with Free Traders.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 23.—Ex-Senator Simon Cameron, on the way from New York to Harrisburg, found time to say a few words on the struggle in this State. He declared that the Independent movement in this State derives its support from the free traders of all sections of the country, that "the design to defeat the Republican party in this State originated with the opponents of protection," and that there was doubtless an alliance between the Independents and Free Traders to wrest from the Republican protectionists the control of the national administration. On the other hand, members of the Independent State Committee said that the leaders in the Independent movement comprised some of the most prominent manufacturers and protectionists in the State. Charles Wheeler, a member of the firm of Morris, Tasker & Co., iron manufacturers, and a stockholder in various manufacturing enterprises in the State, is Chairman of the Independent Finance Committee, and a strong protectionist. Wm. Arrott, manufacturer of yarns and woollen goods, and likewise known as a radical protectionist, is the treasurer of that committee. Wharton Barker, one of the members of the Independent State Committee, is largely interested in manufacturing. Jay Cooke is Chairman of the Executive Committee of the National Industrial League, a protectionist organization which has been in existence since 1861, and includes such pronounced tariff men as Daniel J. Morrell, Thomas Dolan, Hamilton Disston, Geo. Burnham of the Baldwin Locomotive Works, John Dobson, Chas. C. Harrison of Harrison, Havemeyer & Co., Charles H. Cramp of Wm. Cramp's Sons, the shipbuilders; Wm. Sellers, Thomas Potter, and Thomas S. Harrison, the white lead manufacturer. The Industrial League is known throughout America on account of the part which it has taken in shaping tariff legislation in Congress during the past twenty years. Among its prominent members who have contributed money to help along the Independent movement are Thomas S. Harrison, who is also a member of the Committee of One Hundred, and who is President of the Manufacturing Chemists' Association of the United States; George Burnham, head of the great firm conducting the Baldwin Locomotive Works, and William A. Drown, Jr., another leading manufacturer.

Chairman McKee of the Independent Committee said that if Cameron's statements were true he would resign. He said that the statements of Mr. Cameron would not scare the manufacturers and business men who were in the Independent movement and who had been life-long Protectionists. Going over the list of men who constitute the backbone of the Independent movement, Chairman McKee said that there was not a single Free Trader on it, and that he would feel obliged to Gen. Cameron if he would furnish specifications.

E. Dunbar Lockwood said: "Simon Cameron's statement that there is an alliance between the Independent Republicans and Free Traders is false, and makes me think he must be in his second childhood. I am a manufacturer, and in favor of protection, and so I think are all the active men in the Independent movement. I know of but one man who threatened the tariff, and that was Don Cameron, in the Continental Hotel some time ago."

THE PROHIBITION MOVEMENT.

National Convention in Chicago—Proposing to Cut Loose from Old Parties.

CHICAGO, Aug. 23.—The National Prohibition Convention met in Farwell Hall at 10 A. M., some 300 delegates being present. Some of the States were represented very largely, and some of the more distant ones not at all. Gideon T. Stewart of Ohio, Chairman of the National Prohibition Reform Executive Committee, called the Convention to order, and in a brief speech said that in many localities and States the Prohibitionists had burned their bridges behind them by cutting loose from other parties which had arrayed North and South against each other. The Prohibitionists wanted a party of honesty, of honor, and they wanted the burial of these crime-stained and blood-stained parties.

The Rev. John Russell of Michigan was elected temporary Chairman. Phebe Cozzens of St. Louis and Mary B. Willard of Chicago were chosen Secretaries.

Mr. Young of Iowa, representing one of the three Iowa delegations, asked if the delegates not committed to the third party movement, though in full sympathy with prohibition, were to be excluded. His delegation wanted to know before submitting their credentials. If barred out, they would go to work on their own earnest lines.

The Chair said those would be barred out who had not abandoned affiliation with Democratic, Republican, Greenbacker, or any other party that had not declared in favor of the legal prohibition of the liquor traffic.

At the afternoon session, after addresses on the condition of the prohibition cause in the various States, the Committee on Credentials reported, admitting all the delegations, making 341 members of the Convention, but only allowing as many votes to be cast on important questions as each State had Congressional districts.

A Committee on Resolutions was appointed, with J. T. Tanner Chairman. There was considerable animated discussion over a proposition to add the name of Miss Willard to the list of the Committee on Resolutions. Her name was added. All other women were excluded.

Prof. Schmidt of Lake Forest made a ringing speech, arguing that the German citizens needed only a proper organization to bring them into the ranks of the Prohibition party. He said: "I believe that in five years all these Germans in the Northwest will favor a prohibitory constitutional amendment."

The Committee on Permanent Organization made the following report, which was adopted: President, T. D. Kanouse of Wisconsin; Vice-President, James Anderson, and one Vice-President from each State; Secretaries, Mary T. Lathrop and Mary A. Woodbridge. President Kanouse made a speech in which he referred to his German parentage and education and his conversion to prohibition principles. After the transaction of some routine business the Convention adjourned until to-morrow.

HUBBELL'S CRY OF DISTRESS.

Eleven Hundred Entreaties to the Custom House to Save the Grand Old Party.

Each of the 1,100 clerks, inspectors, storekeepers, and other employees in the Custom House, all of whom have failed to remit their assessments to Hubbell's Congressional Committee at Washington, got a second circular from that body yesterday. The circular says that the failure of the employees to respond to the circular of May 15, sent by the committee, is noted with surprise, and that it is hoped that the only reason for such failure is that the matter escaped the attention of the employees amid the press of other cares. Then the committee says:

Great political battles cannot be won in this way. The committee cannot hope to succeed in the pending struggle if those most directly benefited by success are unwilling even to contribute a small sum to secure it.

We are on the skirmish line of 1882, with a conflict before us the fall of great moment to the republic, and you must know that a treasure now is full of danger to the next Presidential campaign.

Unless you think that our grand old party ought not to succeed, help it now in its struggle to hold up a new South. We need workers about us in the North, at the ballot and a fair count, and to maintain such men in the North as shall insure good government to the country.

It is earnestly hoped that on receipt of this you will send a voluntary contribution equal to two per cent of your annual compensation, as a substantial proof of your earnest desire for the success of the Republican party this fall. Make your remittance by money order, payable to the order of Jay A. Hubbell, Acting Treasurer, P. O. box 580, Washington, D. C. By order of the committee. D. M. Dickinson, Secretary.

One of the employees remarked that he had already got into trouble by paying last year's assessment, and that he did not propose to get into any more trouble, no matter what happened to the new South. Another says that when the committee consents to render an exact account of receipts and expenditures for political contributions he will consider the advisability of contributing.

Winning Prizes at Newark.

The Passaic River Amateur Rowing Association, which holds a regatta that is open to the clubs of the whole country every spring, had yesterday a regatta for members only. Representatives of four clubs contended for handsome prizes in the presence of about 1,500 people. All the races were rowed over a 1½-mile course. One of the youngest clubs on the river, the Arieln, won four of the six events. Shortly after 4 o'clock Daniel Harnedd of the Eureka club, W. H. Disser of the Arieln, H. C. Rossmal of the Tritons, and Fred. Waits of the Arieln drew into line for the junior scull race. Rossmal won in 12:27, after a close contest with Watts Crews of the Tritons, Eureka, and Ariel Clubs started in the pair-oared gig race. Frederick Freeman, bow, and Clarence Oakley, stroke, composing the Ariel crew, had a hard race with the Tritons, and then rowed ahead and won in 11:48. Franklin Phillips of the Tritons and Theodore Kerr of the Ariels contended for the prize for the best single sculler. Kerr started a steady course down the centre of the river, and crossed the line the winner in 10:38. Thus far the races had been rowed against wind and tide while in the following contests the tide turned in the lower half mile. The Eurekas had to win in the four-oared shell race, and pulled over the course alone in 9:38. Charles Riller, bow, and Clarence Oakley, stroke, Ariels, beat another crew of the same club in the double-scull race, going over the course in to 30½.

The last race was between six-oared gigs. The Tritons, Ariels, and Eurekas were represented. There was a lively struggle for a mile between the Eurekas and Ariels, but the latter then drew ahead and won at their ease. Time, 8:29.

The Oswego Regatta.

OSWEGO, Aug. 23.—The regatta of the Oswego Yacht Club yesterday resulted as follows: Katie Gray of Trenton, first; Gracie of Belleville, second; Laura of Oswego, third; and Sila of Oswego, fourth. The Garfield of Kingston came in second, but was ruled out for fouling with the Trenton.

THE CIRCUIT TROTS.

Overman Wins in the 2:20 Class—Flora Bell Beating the Pacers.

POUGHKEEPSIE, Aug. 23.—The exciting contests of the trotting circuit drew a great throng here to-day. Many horsemen came from New York. Mr. Robert Bonner watched the sport while seated in the judges' stand. Farmers flocked in by hundreds from Dutchess, Orange, Ulster, and Columbia Counties. The poolmen and wheelmen drove a brisk business, while the keenest handlers of horses in the country were driving the trotters and pacers. There was a little entangling work in several heats, but events straightened themselves out at the finish.

The bay stallion Independence, bay mare Bigolette, sorrel horse Overman, and bay horse Manhattan joined in the trot for the $1,500 divided purse for the 2:29 class. Betting—Overman, $100; Bigolette, $45; field, $25. The first heat turned out a surprise. Overman had the lead and rail on the turn. He danced off his feet on the backstretch, and was beaten under the wire a head by Independence, Bigolette third. Time, 2:25¼. Overman forged ahead for the lead in the second heat, taking it from Bigolette on the bend. A pretty trot followed until near the wire, where Overman went in the air, as did Independence. Overman taking the heat by an open length. The judges decided a dead heat. Time, 2:26½. Overman kept up an even gait from start to finish in the third heat, leading from the bend. Independence hung to him gamely, but Overman trotted his opponent dizzy on the straight, taking the heat with daylight to spare in 2:21¾. Overman trotted evenly in the lead for the fourth heat until reaching the three-quarter pole, where he broke and lost ground. He also pawed the air near the wire, Independence taking the heat by a head and shoulders in 2:27¼. Sufferers in the pool box thought it strange that Overman should trot the third heat in 2:21¾, and drop to 2:27¼ in the fourth. Overman made a game trot for the fifth heat, Independence hung to his head along the backstretch, but Overman trotted under the wire first, with Independence at his wheel, in 2:24½. The sixth heat was trotted fiercely from end to end with no daylight between the pair. Overman sent Independence in the air in the last twenty yards, taking the lead, and winning the trot by a short length in 2:30¼. Independence took second money, Bigolette third, and Manhattan fourth.

The $1,000 purse, open to all pacers except Little Brown Jug, drew out Buffalo Girl, Flora Bell, Mattie Hunter, Gem, and Lucy.

Betting—Buffalo Girl, $55; Flora Bell, $30; Lucy, $20; Gem, $18; Mattie Hunter, $7. Gem had the best of the start in the first heat, but Buffalo Girl gained the lead at the turn. Pacing steadily and swiftly, she led to the wire, several lengths ahead of Gem. Flora Bell third, and Mattie Hunter fourth. Time—quarter, 34¼; half, 1:08; mile, 2:15¾. In the second heat Flora Bell took the lead before reaching the quarter, and keeping clear of her pursuers paced under the wire with Gem at her wheel and Buffalo Girl a poor third. Time—quarter, 37; half, 1:11; mile, 1:18¾. Flora Bell and Buffalo Girl were the leaders in the third heat, Flora taking it an open length in front. Buffalo Girl in second place. Time, 2:19. In the fourth and final heat the light for three-quarters of a mile was between Flora Bell and Gem. In the home-stretch Gem was beaten back, and Mattie Hunter drew up on Flora Bell. Both were hurried under the wire by the lash. Flora Bell winning the heat and race by a short length in 2:18. Buffalo Girl, took second money, Gem third, and Mattie Hunter fourth.

The trot for the $2,000 purse for 2:21 class was reduced to a match between the brown gelding J. P. Morris and the chestnut mare Clemmie G. Clemmie sold favorite at $60, against $50 for Morris. Clemmie drew ahead from an even start in the first heat, opening a length of daylight before passing the quarter. Morris gained on the mare in the straight, trotting her off her feet at the wire, and taking the heat by a neck in 2:26. Morris broke in the start for the second heat, and Clemmie shot ahead, opening a wide gap which was never closed. Clemmie taking the heat in 2:26¼. Clemmie broke several times during the third heat while Morris was a veteran. The driver of Morris sent him under the wire with his shoulders in front of Clemmie. Time, 2:24½. On account of darkness the conclusion of the trot was postponed until to-morrow.

Considerable money is up on this trot, and much interest is felt in the result, from the fact that Clemmie G. is only five years old, and this is her first appearance in the circuit. Forrest Patchen, Lady Pritchard, and Steve Maxwell were on the card against her, but did not start.

GAISEL OUTROWS MORE.

Three Miles' Racing in Rain and Darkness Over Little Neck Bay.

George Gaisel of this city and A. H. More of Westchester measured oars yesterday on a match race for $1,000. The course was three miles, from a stakeboat near Whitestone to and around another off Bayside and return. The friends of the contestants accompanied them over the course upon the steamboats Greenwich and Fletcher. Betting was two to one against Gaisel. To avoid the swells of the large Sound steamers the race had to be deferred until nearly 7 o'clock.

Referee William B. Curtis stood on the pilot house of the Fletcher and gave the signal to start. After three-quarters of a mile Gaisel was about half a length ahead of More. The two oarsmen were indistinctly seen in the darkness, rounding the stakeboat off Bayside together. The backers of each man were under the impression that their man was ahead, and shouted encouragingly to him.

The objects by which only could be distinguished when the oarsmen had done two miles and a quarter, but one of the objects was ten boat lengths in advance of the other. When the leading object passed the stakeboat at Whitestone there was a shout of "Hurrah for Gaisel." More rowed a good race, but Gaisel was the finest passed the stakeboat. Gaisel's time was 30 minutes and 11 seconds. The first half of the race was against a strong tide. Gaisel's boat was a new one, and was made in four days by William Oliver. He broke his old boat while practising for the race. This is his first professional race. More defeated Frank Bell, a Hell Gate pilot, last spring.

Racing by the Sea.

The first race at Brighton Beach yesterday, for a purse of $300, for horses that have run and not won at Brighton Beach in 1882, one mile, had five starters. Viola sold at $400; Camillus, $300; Electrifier, $25; Potomac, $25; Olivette, $25. Olivette won, Potomac second, Camillus third. Time, 1:51. Mutuals paid $22.85.

The second race, for a purse of $300, for horses that have run and not won at Brighton Beach in 1882, one mile, had five starters. Viola sold at $400; Camillus, $300; Electrifier, $25; Potomac, $25; Olivette, $25. Olivette won, Potomac second, Camillus third. Time, 1:51. Mutuals paid $22.85.

The second race, for a purse of $300, for horses that have run and not won at Brighton Beach in 1882, one mile, had five starters. Tim Murphy sold at $400; Elkton, $300; Rebecca, $25; Pelham, $25; Bella, $25. Bella won, Elkton second, Tim Murphy third. Time, 1:54. Mutuals paid $6.10.

The third race, for a purse of $300, for all ages, five eighths of a mile, had five starters. Knight Templar sold at $350; Sir Dagonet, $100; Mary Warren, $100; Knight Templar, second; Hippogriffe, third. Time, 1:02¾. Mutuals paid $15.85.

The fourth race, for a purse of $350, handicap, steeple chase, over the short course, had five starters. King Dutchman sold at $110; Redlecake, $50; Falcon Bridge, $30; Bell, $25. King Dutchman won, Moscow, second; Falconbridge, third. Time, 2:45¾. Mutuals $8.80.

Yesterday's Winners at Saratoga.

SARATOGA, Aug. 23.—The first race to-day was a dash of three-quarters of a mile for non-winners at Saratoga in 1882. Loudon won by a neck from Pride, who was two lengths in front of Patil. Maggie Ayer, the favorite, finished fourth. Then came Tennyson, Tom Bowling, Sir Hugh, and Fishermen in the order named. Time, 1:15¾. French pools paid $57.30.

The second race, a dash of a mile and 500 yards, for all ages, was won by Lida Stanhope, two lengths in front of Kentucky, who was a length in front of Hunter's Lizzie. Lizzie finished fourth, and Kinkead was beaten fifty a furlong. Time, 2:29½. French pools paid $12.

The third race, a mile dash, for all ages, was won by Forex, Jake White second, and John Sullivan third. Time, 1:43. French pools paid $10.

The handicap race for all ages at a mile and a half over six hurdles, which closed the day's sport, was won by Revenge, with Charlemagne second, and Glasgow third. Time, 2:46¾. French pools paid $7.40.

Racing in England.

LONDON, Aug. 23.—At the York August meeting to-day the race for the Great Ebor Handicap stakes was won by Mr. H Bragg's five year old brown horse Victor Emanuel. Lord Lascelles's three-year-old chestnut colt Balloi came in second, and Mr. R. Jardine's four-year-old bay colt Ishmael third. There were nine starters. The betting at the start was 6 to 1 against Victor Emanuel, 5 to 1 against Balloi, and 9 to 2 against Ishmael. Mr. F. Gretton's five-year-old bay horse Prestonpans was the favorite, at 2 to 1 against him. Victor Emanuel won by a length, Ishmael was a half third.

The *Sportsman* says that Pincus, the trainer, is about to return to America, and that Barrett will succeed him as trainer of Mr. Lorillard's horses in England. Barrett was for a considerable time connected with the Nicole Grove stable.

Encampment of the G. A. R.

BUFFALO, Aug. 23.—The Grand Army of the Republic of western New York went into camp at the Driving Park here to-day for a five days' encampment. The encampment numbers about 600 men. The camp will be lighted at night by electric lights. Sham battles will be the features of Friday and Saturday, and on Monday a grand review will be held. The camp has been named in honor of Gen. D. B. Birdsell of this city, who was killed at the battle of Cedar Creek, Va.

Sisters Forbidden to Play the Organ.

Bishop Wiggor has issued a circular letter directing that hereafter no sister connected with any community in the Diocese of Newark be permitted by her superior to play an organ in a parochial church on any occasion, or to take part in an evening entertainment, even though it be given by school children.

"Buchupaiba."

Quick, complete cure all annoying kidney, bladder, and urinary diseases. $1. Druggists.—Adv.

THE TEAM AT REGULAR PRACTICE.

Scores Made Yesterday—Sergeant Dolan's Remark to a Young Man.

A snapping chorus of rifle hammers startled the residents on the line of the Long Island Railroad yesterday. The American team were trying their gunlocks. Through a cloud of penetrating dust and a mist of vicious mosquitoes the drivers of the vehicles at the station raced to be first at the grounds. The dusty visitors with one accord beat their steps to the ranges overlooking the star target. Here a tangled lot of rifles and legs were being watched through field glasses. Capt. Bodine, finding that official scorers had failed to turn up, called upon the reporters. The difficulty of scoring begins at the outset in the apparently simple operation of finding the target. After taking in a large part of the entire field in a wandering search, the first of the amateur scorers at length got the huge glass focussed on a white square, with a black bull's-eye glaring in the centre, and was ready.

Riflleman Wardie hung a glittering string of trophies on his comrade Hinds's breast, and held the open sight of his rifle over a flickering jet of gas in a cigar lighter until the steel was black by the sooty flames. He then studied the wind clock, marked out a line with a lead pencil across the smoking sight bar of his gun, and rolling over on his back, wound his legs around the rifle barrel and fired. The scorer gazed intently through the glass. Something struck the lower left-hand corner of the target.

"Outer; quarter past 5. A little low and faulty elevation," he exclaimed, with the confidence of a professional, and jotted "an outer" on the score sheet.

Sergeant Dolan next curled himself up in a heap, put the butt of his gun carefully on its little pillow on his shoulder, made another pillow for his head with his disengaged arm, and pulled the trigger. There was a singing whistle, and the crowd heard the bullet strike the target with a thud. The scorer who had glued his eye to the end of the field glass, was watching anxiously. He saw something strike the target in exactly the same spot as before, and exclaimed: "Outer; quarter past 5. A little little low and faulty elevation," as before.

Sergeant Dolan got up hastily, and looked through the glass. Then he took his eye away, and said:

"Young man, what you saw was a paint brush dashing out the other shot. I made a bull's eye."

Col. Bodine thanked the amateur scorer for his good intentions, but relieved him from duty.

Col. Bodine sat with Major Rathbone of the old American team, and watched the targets through an opera glass. He afterward inspected, with evident satisfaction, the first regular practice record of his team. The scores were at 500, 600, 800, 900, and 1,000 yards, and ran as follows:

Smith—33, 31, 31, 30, 25—total, 150; Shakespeare—30, 28, 34, 25, 28—145; Ogden—30, 28, 32, 28, 22—140; Paulding—28, 29, 30, 34, 18—139; Hinman—30, 28, 27, 32, 22—139; Van Hueseen—29, 31, 26, 29, 18—133; Alder—30, 22, 28, 25, 18—126; Hinds—31, 26, 23, 24, 18—122; Hinman, 26, 26, 19, 23, 23—126; Wardie—31, 26, 18, 19, 24—118. Sergeant Dolan did not shoot at the 1,000-yards range, but made a total of 109 on the four other ranges, as follows: 33, 31, 30, and 15. Griffith shot at 500 yards, and made 32 out of a possible 35, and 28 at the 600-yards range. Stevens made 31 out of 32 at the 800 and 1,000-yards ranges. Atkinson was excused from shooting.

Major Morris B. Farr has written to Col. Bodine declining the proferred post of Secretary of the team. Candidates for the two substitute vacancies are Sergeant Dolan, Private Pollard and Howard tied on the total of 166. Farrow made 150 and Lauritzen 143.

FUN AMONG THE FARMERS.

Ten Thousand Residents of Rockland Celebrating the Harvest Home.

Even the horses in Rockland County looked gayer than usual yesterday, for they wore their Sunday harness as they trotted ahead of innumerable loads of country folk equally tidily clad. All were on the way to Sylvan Grove, on the shore of Rockland Lake, where the Farmers' Harvest Home was to be celebrated. Farmers, clergymen, storekeepers, postmasters, carpenters, blacksmiths, butchers, and all the wives and sons and daughters who could leave their homes in the villages and along the country roads, were gathered there in such numbers that it was said at 3 o'clock in the afternoon that 10,000 persons were in the grove. These included people from Westchester and Orange Counties in New York and Bergen and Hudson and Passaic Counties in New Jersey. The programme was not misleading in announcing "brass music" by one band and "string music" by another. The list of entertainments included picking fifty stones, climbing greased pole, three-legged races, and a sack race over hurdles. Prizes ranging in value from $10 to $3 were awarded the successful contestants. Members of the New York Caledonia Club gave an exhibition of their prowess, and were roundly applauded.

The local fire companies competed for a prize and gave an exhibition of their skill.

"Talk about your New York fire engines," said a granger, "wait till yer see the boys!"

"How long does it take them to get to a fire?" the reporter asked.

"Well, less ther wheels stop, an' they hev ter git ter the cisterns an' a couch, an' less ther mud ain't too deep an' they git stuck, they kin git ter a house afire in time ter save ther fences an' ther barn—that is, not countin' ther time ter dress in their fire clothes. How long does it take you fellers, dressin' an' all?"

The reporter told the granger that New York firemen slept in their clothes, and that they could hitch up and be out of the engine house in less than five seconds after the alarm. The granger winked at his companions, who moved away to a respectable distance, and shunned the sensible granger the rest of the day.

On a large platform in a shady nook the band that discoursed string music timed incessant dancing. The trains from the city kept continually emptying their loads into the grove, and with them came the usual number of thieves and men ready to take advantage of the crowd. They were well watched, and did little work. The day had its graver incidents. A baby fell in the lake, and was rescued in the nick of time by a brave man named Littlebrandt; a man who got too far away from a target at which some amateurs were shooting was shot in the wrist; a horse ran away and smashed a carriage, and a woman mistook another woman's baby for her own and almost went home with it. At night, in the taverns and farm houses of the countryside, there were hops and socials at which the tired people spun out the fun to the uttermost minute.

The Western Eleven at Staten Island.

The Western Cricket Association team arrived in town yesterday, and at a little after 1 o'clock began a two days' contest with the Staten Island Club on the grounds of the latter, at Tompkinsville, the latter club going to the bat. The weather was favorable and an excellent wicket was prepared for the occasion. Dale and Shaw bowled. At first the batsmen got the best of the bowling, as no less than 41 runs were secured by the Island team before the second wicket fell. Afterward, however, the attack had the best of the battle, and the Island wickets began to fall rapidly. When the tenth went down only twenty odd runs had been added to the score, not a man having scored double figures after the second wicket fell. Morrow carving his bat out for 9. Lane's 20 was the top score of the innings, and human is the second best. Thomas batting well for 8. The best bowling was done by Shaw, who took three wickets for fifteen runs. In the Western innings only one man secured double figures, and that was Stratfort of Winnipeg, the best batsman of the team, the Rev. T. D. Phillips being run out when he was well in with a good chance. Schofield rattled off 9 very quickly, damaging Lane's bowling figures by a 4 and 3 drive. The total of the innings was 56, Walker leading the bowling with 6 wickets for 24 runs. The score is as follows:

STATEN ISLAND.		WESTERN ELEVEN.	
Moore, b. Dale	7	Rev. T. D. Phillips, run out	0
Lane, run out	20	Shaw, c. Inman, b. Walker	1
Duncan, c. McLachlan, b. Shaw	1	Ogden, l. b. w. b. Lane	1
Shaw	11	Stratfard, run out	16
Saunders, b. Dale	2	Hon. H. N. Hood, c. J. Lane, b. Lane	0
Walker, b. Dale	0	McLachlan, c. and b. Lane	7
Thomas, c. Dale, b. Shaw	8	Dale, b. Walker	0
Lane, c. Hill, b. Walker	9	Turton, b. Walker	0
J. Lane, st. Ogden, b. Shaw	0	Smithers, not out	1
Hill, b. Stratford	1	Schofield, b. Walker	9
Paterson, b. Dale	0	H. Phillips, b. Walker	1
Dale, b. Stratford	1	Byes, 9; leg byes, 4	2
Byes, 9; leg byes, 4	9		
Total	68	Total	56

FALLS OF WICKETS.

Staten Island: 20 41 42 44 53 57 59 66 67 68—68
Western team: 3 12 13 15 24 24 34 39 48 50—56

Umpires, Messrs. Wilkenson and J. Smith.

The Islanders went into their second inning, and had lost six wickets for 34 runs, of which Hale's 10 was the highest figure and Lane's 9 the next. When the time arrived for drawing stumps, and play ceased for the day. The contest will be resumed at 11 A. M. to-day.

Base Ball Yesterday.

The eighth match of the series between the Providence and Metropolitan teams took place at the Polo grounds yesterday, the Providence winning by the appended score:

Metropolitan	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0—2
Providence	0	0	0	0	2	2	2	0	0	—6

At St. Louis—Allegheny, 10; St. Louis, 3.

The League games yesterday resulted as follows: Worcester vs. Chicago, 14 to 5; Boston vs. Detroit, 7 to 2; Cleveland vs. Troy, 5 to 2; Philadelphia vs. Buffalo, 5 to 3.

The Cincinnatis defeated the Athletics at Cincinnati yesterday, 3 to 2.

Battery K of Fort Schuyler appeared in uniform on the Union grounds in Brooklyn yesterday and defeated the nine from the *Times*—13 to 12.

Nineteen innings were played at Mechanicsburgh, Pa., on Tuesday, between the Actives of Reading and the Merritts of Camden, and the score stood 3 to 3. Neither club had scored a run after the third inning. At last the ball was too much battered for further use.

Manager Bancroft of the Detroits has released Kenzie and engaged Robinson, an amateur from Natick.

Secretary Young has issued a notice of the removal of R. J. Pearce from the list of League umpires, and the nomination of Thomas Rankin of Troy to fill the vacancy. He has also notified the Treasurer of the Worcester Club that two fines of $20 each and one of $50 have been imposed upon A. J. Rushong by Umpire Pearce.

Dr Foord's Tonic Cordial is prescribed by all physicians as the best remedy for diarrhœa and cholera.—Adv.

Base ball Polo Grounds to-day: Metropolitan vs. Troy (League) 4 P. M.—Adv.

AN ECCENTRIC DEBAUCH.

Elder Slocum Announces his Funeral and All Hands Get Drunk.

NORWICH, Aug. 22.—In a lonely valley on the shore of Beach Pond, on the eastern boundary of this State, is the lowly cabin of an eccentric preacher, Elder William Slocum. It is in the depths of a dense forest. Here Slocum has lived alone for years, and has occasionally preached stirring truths to crowds of backwoodsmen from the wilds of Rhode Island. Sometimes he has set out on missionary pilgrimages through the neighboring counties. He possesses some ability as an orator, and a grim sort of humor. A few weeks ago he publicly announced that he was about to die, and that his funeral sermon would be preached in his hut on Aug. 10 by the Rev. Mr. Shipel of Rhode Island. On the day named about 200 persons gathered at Slocum's cabin to attend the funeral ceremonies. Elder Slocum was at his door to greet his guests, who were the roughest element to be found along the edges