GOSSIP OF THE RACETRACK

AQUEDUCT HAS BEEN MADE UP TO DATE IN VARIOUS WAYS.

Grand Stand and Betting Ring Now Compare Favorably With Those at the Other Big Metropolitan Tracks—How Books Took the Coin From Public.

So many improvements have been made at Aqueduct since the spring meeting that the track is now one of the best on the Metropolitan circuit. The old rickety grand stand has been practically rebuilt. A new roof is supported by steel girders, new wooden benches have been substituted for the old chairs and iron stairways have been constructed from the stand to the lawn and also into the betting ring. The entire structure has been painted and with the new field stand affords excellent accommodations for the public. The best improvement is in the betting ring. The former pavilion was merely a shed, but the floor has been lowered about four feet and has been covered with a concrete pavement, which makes the enclosure one of the largest and most convenient in the country. Those who visited the track yesterday were well pleased with the alterations, which reflect credit upon President P. J. Dwyer of the Queens County Jockey Club and Supt. Walter Hampshire, who suggested the various changes in the plant. Some of these days Aqueduct will become the permanent home of the Brooklyn Jockey Club, that is, when Gravesend has been cut up into building lots. For that matter Aqueduct as it is has Gravesend beaten a city block in every way.

A big crowd was on hand and the betting on all of the races was extremely heavy in spite of the general tightness of money. But the bookmakers had far and away the better of the struggle with the talent. The plungers and the crowd proceeded to bet on Okenite in the first race as if there was nothing else in the race. The son of Hastings was hammered down from even money to 13 to 20. Honest John Kelly was standing behind George Boles's book, where he had wagered $200 on Okenite, when along came Bill Porter, a former betting commissioner for Bob Tucker.

"Any man who does not bet on Okenite," said Porter to Kelly, "should be taken up to White Plains, where, after the inmates are bounced, he should be confined all by himself."

Kelly took this hunch to the extent of $200 more, but like hundreds of other sure thing players he saw his coin burned up. Kelly lost $2,500 in backing other alleged cinches, and after the last race said that he had quit for the year. He looked all over the racetrack for Porter after the Okenite bunch, but the latter was evidently in hiding. Those who did not go to Okenite played Lord Stanhope a place at 4 to 5, which added much to the layers' winnings. Frank Regan and his friends cleaned up with Kilter, who finally won after a number of disappointing races.

"McCarter is dead lame!" was the mysterious tip that came into the ring before the second race. McCarter, a $10,000 stake colt, was easily the class and opened at 1 to 2. But when the "dead lame" rumor had been well circulated he began to go up in the odds until he was quoted at 2 to 1. Then came a solid commission from the clubhouse, which backed him down and 9 to 5. Instead of being "dead lame," McCarter was in fine trim and made a show of his company. Welbourne, incidentally, lost a fortune for those who backed him from 4 to 1 to 8 to 5 favorite. Keator, too, was a poor investment, as he was backed from 10 to 7 to 2, only to finish last. Chantilly was lowered from 10 to 7 and was taken three ways. Bill Cowan, who laid against Okenite for a bunch in the first race, also laid McCarter straight and place.

Those who make a point to back all added starters in stakes won some nice wagers on King Cobalt in the Creedmore, for the colt was backed from 8 to 7 and was heavily played to show. F. A. Forsythe was sure that his improved filly, Berry Maid, would win the race, and as a result she was backed from 6 to 7 to 2, with solid support for the place. The public meanwhile took Spooner, but in spite of the flood of money that was placed on his chances, he receded from evens to 6 to 5. H. B. Duryea's Whip Top, at sevens, also got generous support. Previous winners of the Creedmore were Nevermore, Juvenal Maxim, Pirate Polly, Jacobite and Barbary Belle.

When Brookdale Nymph won the Aqueduct Handicap in what was undoubtedly a form reversal, the talent naturally wondered why the Meddler mare was so badly beaten in her previous race. That occurred at Jamaica on October 28, when Brookdale Nymph, ridden by Knapp, was an 8 to 5 favorite. It was the consensus of opinion on that occasion that Mr. Whitney's mare was the victim of a bad ride, for she was in pockets most of the way and never had a chance to extend herself. She packed 118 pounds and finished sixth, with Master Robert, Gretna Green, Faust, Welbourne and Monfort in front of her. With Notter in the saddle yesterday such a startling improvement was not expected, so that the Meddler mare, opening at 7 to 2 second choice, went up to 6 to 1. But Notter put up a perfect ride and Brookdale Nymph won, as she ought to have done at Jamaica. Monfort was well backed three ways, his price being cut from 8 to 5. Gretna Green was also in demand, though he went up a point to 5. Far West was backed from 8 to 7, his owner, M. L. Schwartz, putting down a large wager.

Nealon was a peculiar proposition in the speculation. With 128 pounds on his back he looked like a sure winner, because of his impressive victory in the Belmont Park Weight for Age Race. But that event was at two miles and a quarter, which caused a general belief that the edge had been taken off his speed. He opened at 13 to 5, but receded to 3, when his owner, W. H. DuBois; Dave Johnson, Frank Farrell and other big bettors took part in a plunge that practically wiped Nealon off the boards at the last moment. When it came to racing, however, Nealon was never in it. He seemed anchored by the burden he carried for he could not raise a gallop. He gave nine pounds by the scale to Brookdale Nymph, five to Gretna Green, twenty-three to Far West, twenty to Faust, twenty-three to Don Creole, twenty-eight to Ben Ban and twenty-five to Monfort, an exceedingly hard task. Previous winners of the Aqueduct Handicap were Glenwater, Wild Thyme, Israelite, Bedouin and Rye. The books reaped a harvest on the result of this race.

Monacodor, who was the medium for a killing at Empire City, was in line for another in the fifth race. He was backed from 10 to 7 and came home on the bit. P. T. Chinn had another coup framed with old Pretension, who was backed from 10 to 7, but it missed fire, although the place and show wagers were extremely profitable. Meanwhile the books raked in big money on St. Valentine, the public's natural choice, who receded from 7 to 5 to 9 to 5, while the really smart money went on Quinn Brady at 16 to 5, the wagers going down at the last moment. Jack McGinnis's jockey, Notter, rode Monacodor, but Jack did not care much for this horse's chances, for he bet $1,000 on Quinn Brady, and also handed the tip on the latter to Diamond Jim Brady and others in the clubhouse. E. R. Bradley and his followers thought that Flowaway was a real good thing, and backed him from 8 to 6, but they had another think coming.

Bolando was the magnet for the public's money in the last race and he was backed from 5 to 7 to 2. But just when he looked the winner he was overhauled by Jack Joyner's Watercress colt Hessian, who had been lowered from 12 to 10. Hessian was a supposed good thing on many previous occasions, but always failed to make good. Joyner, however, did not lose faith in the big colt and consequently won a good bet on him when he graduated.

J. H. Freeman and his friends stood to win a bundle on Monocle, who was taken at the last moment at 15 to 1. William Gerst's Zagg was backed from 6 to 4. Countermand was another hot tip taken across the board, while Imitator, Lotus Brandt and Don Otario were also in demand. Mazuma, a stablemate of Pins and Needles, was said to be the real thing, and with Miller in the saddle the colt was backed from 50 down to 10, only to run in the ruck from start to finish. Throckmorton, in J. B. Haggin's colors, also got a play three ways, but after a bit of early speed he blew up. McDaniel, who rode Zagg, made a protest of foul against Monocle, but he was overruled.

Barney Schreiber got in from the West and said that he had named a yearling colt, a full brother to Nealon, Vreeland.

GOLF SCORES IN THE RAIN.

Pomares Wins Select Score Cup at Hackensack.

Play for the season's select score cup presented by W. H. Watt ended yesterday at the Hackensack Golf Club and the award was to L. W. Pomares, with the card of 63. The par score is 68 and the record 36, 33—69, made by Aleck Smith in the four ball match with George Low, Jack Hobens and Dave Hunter in September. The second hole, where a drive over the ravine should nearly reach the green, was had in 3 by several, but Pomares took 4. His 4 on the sixth is as good as any of the professionals did, as it is harder to play than the length would suggest. The card and distances were:

Yards, out	483	295	215	332	256	394	140	118	465	
Strokes, out	4	4	2	4	3	5	3	2	5	—32
Yards, in	417	385	320	170	206	290	475	133	218	
Strokes, in	4	3	4	3	3	4	5	2	3	—31

A cup for winners in scheduled competitions during the season was won by J. W. Holberton and J. R. Marshall's trophy for the highest score by points since June was awarded to F. H. Hall. Only non-winners of first or second prizes could start in yesterday's medal play round, the two leaders to qualify for a handsome cup given by E. D. Shotwell. The qualifiers were Walter Terhune, 89, 10—79, and W. H. Watt, 92, 10—82, who will play off on election day. There will also be an eighteen hole handicap then for two prizes instead of the scheduled cross-country competition.

Fifty odd players started out bravely at the Englewood Golf Club yesterday, but the storm which broke with unusual severity in that locality drove nearly all to cover. In the semi-final round for the president's cup, presented by George C. Austin, Fred Snare beat F. M. Olyphant 3 up and 5 to play, while N. B. Cole defeated B. F. Reimmund 2 up and 1 to play. The winners will meet in the thirty-six hole final round on election day. On account of the storm no cards were returned in the handicap.

Despite the wet weather two competitions were decided at the Baltusrol Golf Club yesterday. In the first qualifying round for the treasurer's cup Theodore Keer led the field with a card of 90, 16—74. The same player also won the ball sweepstakes, while F. C. Ennever with 90, 11—79, got second. The scores of those who qualified were:

Theodore Keer, 90, 16—74; T. C. Ennever, 90, 11—79; W. L. Garry, 91, 11—80; N. F. Stout, 102, 20—82; Harry Allsopp, 94, 11—83; R. A. Griffin, 103, 13—90; G. C. Howell, 104, 13—91; E. B. Fife, 109 18—91.

There was a general gathering of winners in the eighteen hole golf handicap at the Richmond County Country Club yesterday. The affair was open to those who had won other greens fees or score prizes in previous handicaps during the season and when the last card had been returned it was found that Charles Hitchcock, Jr., easily led the field from scratch with an 83. This score was the best net as well as gross, so Hitchcock took the latter prize, leaving S. P. Richmond to take the net trophy with a card of 112, 25—87. The scores were as follows:

Charles Hitchcock, Jr., 83, 0—83; S. P. Richmond, 112, 25—87; R. L. Harrison, 102, 14—88; E. W. Welton, 93, 5—88; J. E. Faber, 99, 9—89; C. W. Pierson, 97, 7—90; Otis L. Williams, 92, 0—92; W. P. Larned, 104, 11—93.

Class A and B handicaps were decided at the Fox Hills Golf Club yesterday. In the first division William Boyd won with a card of 83, 9—75 and J. R. Percival showed the way in the second set with 96, 18—78. The scores were as follows:

Class A—William Boyd, 83, 8—75; B. T. Allen, 85, 5—80; W. G. Hoople, 88, 8—80; H. F. Ives, 97, 14—83; F. D. Barrett, 95, 10—85.

Class B—J. R. Percival, 96, 18—78; F. T. Reilly, 106, 25—80; H. B. McClellan, 97, 15—82; C. L. Smith, 105, 24—81; G. W. Beckel, 115, 16—99.

RIDGEWOOD, N. J., Nov. 2.—The event at the Ridgewood Golf Club to-day was for a cup presented by the chairman of the tournament committee for a selected score handicap open only to non-winners of the past season. Despite the rain twenty-two players teed up. The cup was won by P. A. Toohey with 37½ net. The scores of those who returned cards follow:

P. A. Toohey, 49, 11½—37½; L. B. Conklin, 51, 10—41; G. E. Boreham, 49, 7½—41½; D. B. Miller, 53, 12½—42½; C. A. Dish, 51, 7½—43½; W. B. Haight, 53, 8½—44½; E. L. Tailer, 54, 9½—44½; C. H. Eddy, 52, 4—48; W. C. Rue, 58, 8½—49½.

MORRISTOWN, N. J., Nov. 2.—Miss Cara Foster is the winner of the cup offered by President R. H. Thomas and which has been played for during the summer by the women at the Morris County Golf Club. Miss Foster's score for the match was 20½ points. Other players finished in the following order: Mrs. Frederic R. Kellogg, Mrs. W. D. Vanderpool, Miss Little, Mrs. Dudley Olcott, Miss Hall, Miss Marie Brice, Miss Shelton, Miss Elsa Hurlbut, Miss Whitney and Miss Holmes.

The severity of the storm proved too much for the golfers in Westchester county, postponements being announced at nearly all the links. At the Dunwoodie Country Club, however, Christopher McLaughlin and G. P. Lawson got together for the final round for the Andrews cup, and McLaughlin won by 4 up and 3 to play.

GLEN RIDGE, N. J., Nov. 2.—A consolation cup given by W. L. Ticknor for the members of the Glen Ridge Golf Club who competed in nine events during the season and had not won a prize was played for on the Glen Ridge links to-day at eighteen holes medal play and was won by W. L. Fort with a net score of 76. The scores:

W. L. Fort, 106, 30—76; R. C. Thomson, 95, 15—80; A. T. E. Benedict, 105, 22—81; H. M. Edwards, 102, 16—86; W. B. Seymour, 108, 18—90; J. W. Baecker, 120, 30—90.

STAMFORD, Conn., Nov. 2.—Scotch foursomes were played at Wee Burn to-day for the admission committee prizes. The results:

F. W. Mansfield and P. N. Knapp, 85, 19—66; A. S. Pitt and W. L. Baldwin, 80, 11—69; W. N. McCord and Sheldon Hopkins, 91, 15—76; B. M. Tippie and P. L. Benfield, 82, 16—77; H. S. Cummings and Dr. Frederick Schavoir, 83, 6—77; D. T. Woodbury and James Hoyt Knapp, 94, 16—78; M. R. Pitt and W. D. Daskam, 99, 20—79.

LEXINGTON TURF NOTES.

Colin Ranks Next to Domino as a Two-Year-Old Money Winner.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Nov. 2.—C. Straus & Co., Cincinnati, have purchased of the estate of the late Gus Straus of this city the yearling bay colt by imp. Planudes, out of Morris Dance, and he will be staked in many two-year-old events in 1908, he being a highly promising youngster. Morris Dance, this colt's dam, is by imp. St. Blaise and is the dam of Highland Fling and other good performers. She is a granddaughter of Round Dance, the dam of the Brooklyn Handicap winner Hornpipe, Don Alonzo and Irish Reel.

In the history of American racing only a trio of two-year-olds have won as much as $100,000 on the turf, they being Domino, $130,085; Colin, $138,314 and His Highness, $109,400. Domino, like Colin, was unbeaten at this age, but His Highness lost three races as a two-year-old.

J. C. Milam will ship his stable home at the closing of the present meeting at Latonia and will do early winter racing, though early in the spring he may take a few performers South to get them just ripe for early racing up the line in 1908. At Latonia Milam's horses have won more races than those from the stable of any other trainer that has raced at the Kenton county track this fall.

Colin began his racing season earlier than most any of the crack two-year-olds out since the days of Morello. He won his first race on May 29. Three of his stakes he captured in June, one in July, three in August, two in September and two in October, winning his final race of the season on the 16th inst. He quits the year still one win shy of Tremont's record, the latter winning thirteen straight races as a two-year-old.

L. Blum bought at Latonia this week for shipment to Mexico several horses including the three-year-old chestnut gelding Bob Augustine, the three-year-old bay gelding Rutgut, by imp. Toddington, and the five-year-old chestnut horse Albert Fir, by imp. Albert. Blum will remain in Kentucky until after the fall and winter thoroughbred sales here. He expects to send no less than 150 horses to Mexico in the next two weeks.

J. E. Madden has bought Mrs. Gus Straus's interest in the young broodmare Countess, by imp. Loyalist, out of Wanda, by imp. Mortemer, and now is sole owner of the mare and her weanling colt by Magrathe. Countess is a half sister to Maxine Elliott, the dam of the fast filly Comediienne.

Joe Hawkins, who has had his stable in training at the Kentucky Association for some time and shipped down to Latonia last week, left there for Oakland, Cal., last Thursday. He is pointing the two Banastar colts, Manchester and Bannatyne for the early three-year-old California events in 1908. They were both bred by Clarence H. Mackay. Six were several other performers now members of the Hawkins string. J. Butler will do the riding on the Coast for the Kentucky trainer.

SIX FAVORITES ARE DEFEATED

BROOKDALE NYMPH WINS THE AQUEDUCT HANDICAP.

King Cobalt Takes Creedmore Stakes—McCarter Gallops Home—Kilter, Monacodor and Hessian Successful at Liberal Prices—Big Crowd at the Track.

The scene shifted to modern Aqueduct yesterday, where in spite of the unpleasant weather more than 20,000 persons attended the races. But it was a day of disaster for the public, as six favorites suffered defeat. H. P. Whitney's Brookdale Nymph, 6 to 1, who as a hot favorite was badly beaten in her previous race, turned a form somersault in the Aqueduct Handicap, at a mile and a sixteenth. Notter took her to the front before she reached the far turn, and after that it was only a gallop for the Meddler mare, who came home a length and a half in front of R. T. Wilson, Jr.'s, Monfort, 5 to 1. The latter was badly ridden, but got the place in a hard drive by half a length from James R. Keene's Gretna Green, 5 to 1. The Patchogue Stable's Nealon, 3 to 1 favorite, had very little speed and was also well anchored by the weight, 128 pounds. The start killed all chances for Don Creole, who was left. The time was 1:47.

The Brownleigh Park Stable's King Cobalt, 7 to 1, an added starter, showed the way in the Creedmore Stakes, for two-year-olds, five furlongs, and won by a length and a half in 1:00. F. A. Forsythe's Berry Maid, 7 to 2, ran second, two lengths in front of the Newcastle Stable's Spooner, who receded to 6 to 5. The others were beaten off.

Although the Newcastle Stable's McCarter, the top weight in the handicap for all ages, at seven furlongs, opened at 1 to 2 and receded to 9 to 5, he made all the running and won in a gallop by three lengths in 1:27. J. L. McGinnis's Welbourne, 8 to 5 favorite, ran into the place, a length and a half before P. D. Weir's Chantilly, 7 to 1. Keator, backed from 10 to 7 to 2, had no speed.

The long home stretch favored Frank Regan's Kilter, 8 to 1, for he won the first race, for three-year-olds at a mile, in a common canter by five lengths in 1:40 3-5. E. W. Heffner's Okenite, a 13 to 20 favorite, ran a dead race under a poor ride but managed to take the place by a nose from C. F. Clark's Lord Stanhope, 4 to 1. Vestabella, 15 to 1, who had early speed, was a head out of the money. The placing of the second and third horses caused much comment among those spectators who looked on, handicapped by the usual angle.

Monacodor, backed from 10 to 7, made a run away of the fifth race, for platers at a mile and a sixteenth, and tincanned to the wire with five lengths to spare in 1:48 1-5. P. T. China's Pretension, 7 to 1, got up in time to beat Quinn Brady, 16 to 5, a head for the place. St. Valentine, 9 to 5 favorite, was a real lemon.

Jack Joyner's Hessian, a 10 to 1 shot, closed with a rush in the last race, for maiden two-year-olds, six furlongs, and won in a drive by a length from Bolando, 7 to 2 favorite. Monocle, 15 to 1, after a star beginning and some interference, finished third a length and a half back. Zagg, 4 to 1, was two lengths back after showing a flash of early speed. Muffi, 20 to 1, bolted at the head of the stretch. The time was 1:16 1-5. The rain fell steadily during the last three races. The track was slow. Horner and Notter each rode two winners. The summaries:

FIRST RACE.

Selling; for three-year-olds; $700 added; one mile:

Horse and Age.	Wt.	Jockey.	Betting.	Fin.
Kilter, 3	104	Miller	8-1	1
Okenite, 3	105	McDaniel	13-20	1-4 2
Lord Stanhope, 3	105	Finn	4-1	4-5 3
Vestabella, 3	94	J. Hogg	15-1	4-1 4
Reside, 3	97	Walker	20-1	7-1 5
Umbrella, 3	97	W. Burns	60-1	15-1 6
Star of R'n'ym'de, 3	94	F. Dugan	30-1	10-1 7

Time, 1:40 3-5.

Good start; won easily; Kilter, b. c., 3, by Standing—Patrona; owned and trained by Frank Regan.

SECOND RACE.

Handicap; for all ages; $800 added; seven furlongs:

Horse and Age.	Wt.	Jockey.	Betting.	Fin.
McCarter, 3	117	Miller	9-5	1
Welbourne, 4	101	Notter	8-5	2-5 2
Chantilly, 4	100	P. Kelly	7-1	7-5 3
Keator, 3	105	J. Hennessy	7-2	even 4

Time, 1:27.

Good start; won easily; McCarter, b. c., 3, by Knight of the Thistle—Candle; owned by the Newcastle Stable; trained by Thomas Welsh.

THIRD RACE.

Creedmore Stakes; for two-year-olds; $1,500 added; five furlongs;

Horse and Age.	Wt.	Jockey.	Betting.	Fin.
King Cobalt, 2	117	E. Dugan	7-1	5-2 1 1½
Berry Maid, 2	111	Sumter	7-2	even 2 2
Spooner, 2	122	Miller	6-5	1-2 3 3
Whip Top, 2	104	Musgrave	7-1	5-2 4
Red Bonnet, 2	99	Walker	12-1	5-1 5
Bellwether, 2	114	Knapp	15-1	5-1 6
Jubilee Juggins, 2	102	McDaniel	40-1	12-1 7
Aunt Rose	104	Brussel	15-1	6-1 8

*Added starter. Time, 1:00.

Good start; won easily; King Cobalt, b. c., 2, by Cesarion—Estelle Whitney; owned by the Brownleigh Park Stable; trained by A. W. Claxton.

FOURTH RACE.

Aqueduct Handicap; for all ages; $2,500 added; one mile and a sixteenth:

Horse and Age.	Wt.	Jockey.	Betting.	Fin.
Brook'd Nymph, 4	116	Notter	6-1	2-1 1 1½
Monfort, 3	95	E. Dugan	5-1	2-1 2 2
Gretna Green, 3	107	Miller	5-1	2-1 3 3
Ben Ban, 4	97	Brussel	8-1	3-1 4
Far West, 5	102	McDaniel	7-1	5-2 5
Faust, 3	98	Musgrave	10-1	4-1 6
Nealon, 4	128	Knapp	3-1	even 7
Don Creole, 3	97	Rutherford	12-1	4-1 8

*Left at the post. Time, 1:47.

Bad start; won easily; Brookdale Nymph, ch. f., 4, by Meddler—Castalia; owned by H. P. Whitney; trained by J. W. Rogers.

FIFTH RACE.

Selling; for three-year-olds and upward; $700 added; one mile and a sixteenth:

Horse and Age.	Wt.	Jockey.	Betting.	Fin.
Monacodor, 5	106	Notter	7-1	3-2 1
Pretension, 6	101	Musgrave	7-1	5-2 2 2½
Quinn Brady, 4	103	E. Dugan	16-5	6-5 3 3
St. Valentine, 6	104	Sumter	9-5	3-5 4
Andrew Mack, 6	101	Buxton	15-1	6-1 5
Flowaway, 3	100	Herbert	6-1	2-1 6
Village King, 3	90	C. Miller	50-1	20-1 7
Jack Rose, 5	98	J. Hogg	100-1	40-1 8
Aglia, 5	106	Callahan	25-1	8-1 9

Time, 1:48 1-5.

Good start; won easily; Monacodor, ch. h., 5, by Prince of Monaco—Adora; owned by L. F. Moon; trained by G. Luckey.

SIXTH RACE.

For maiden two-year-olds; $700 added; to carry 105 pounds; six furlongs:

Horse and Age.	Wt.	Jockey.	Betting.	Fin.
Hessian, 2	105	Horner	10-1	4-1 1
Bolando, 2	105	Notter	7-2	7-5 2½
Monocle, 2	105	Amidon	15-1	6-1 3
Zagg, 2	105	McDaniel	4-1	5-2 4
Countermand, 2	105	Brussel	7-1	5-2 5
Bobbin Around, 2	105	Hurley	100-1	40-1 6
McGregor, 2	102	J. Hogg	20-1	8-1 7
Lotus Brandt, 2	102	Sumter	10-1	4-1 8
Throckmorton, 2	105	G. Stone	10-1	4-1 9
Don Ottario, 2	102	Musgrave	10-1	4-1 10
Shadow Glance, 2	102	E. Dugan	30-1	10-1 11
Imitator, 2	102	Finn	7-1	5-2 12
Twigs, 2	105	Burbank	50-1	20-1 13
Mazuma, 2	105	Miller	10-1	4-1 14
Count Reinford, 2	102	Buxton	100-1	40-1 15
Muffi, 2	105	A. Martin	20-1	6-1 16

Time, 1:16 1-5.

Bad start; won driving; Hessian, bk. c., 2, by Watercress—Colonial; owned and trained by A. J. Joyner.

BOOMING 18 FOOTERS.

A Big Match Said to Be Coming for Next Season's Sport and New Boats Ordered.

There is every liklihood that the 18 foot class of sloops, known as Class R, will have quite a boom for next season's sport. A boat for this class is now being built at Jacob's Yard at City Island from designs by Charles D. Mower, who has turned out the Joy, Bensonhurst and other fast boats, so that it is fair to assume that the new craft will be a fast one. John R. Brophy, the chairman of the Atlantic Yacht Club regatta committee, has drawn lines for another in this class and she is exceedingly attractive and should do well. Mr. Brophy designed the Ogeemah, the 22 footer which was the first boat built under the new rule of measurement, and the Ogeemah is still among the crackajacks.

Just now some negotiations are going on for a race in which the 18 footers will compete. As soon as all details are completed they will be announced in time for yachtsmen to build for the next season's sport. It is intimated that the contest is of an international character and a guess makes this class take the place of the Sonder class boats with which the German, Spanish and Eastern yachtsmen have raced now for two seasons.

Class R is a good one. The new rule has developed a big boat in each class, and the 22 footers, such as the Joy, Spider, Soya, Capsicum and others have proved to be too big for some yachtsmen who are fond of racing small boats. These boats cost about $2,500 to build and at least $1,000 more to keep in condition and race for a season. The 18 footers cost $1,500 to $1,800 to build and about $500 more will keep them in fine shape and pay all running expenses.

The 21 foot raceabout class is about dead. It has been raced for many seasons, and it is thought by many who favor building in the regular classes that the 18 footers, so-called, can take the place of the raceabouts. The new 18 footers are about 22 feet on the water line and spread about 600 square feet of canvas.

Another class that is likely to boom is the 27 foot, or Class P. Henry J. Gielow, who designed the Jigsteo, Sue and Crescent, has an order for one for a Gravesend Bay yachtsman. Another has been ordered by an Eastern yachtsman, and as intercity matches have become more popular in the last few years it is probable that efforts will be made next season to arrange races in the 18, 22 and 27 foot classes.

BERMUDA POWER BOAT RACE.

Conditions for the Contest in Which the Prizes Are Worth $2,000 to the Winner.

Long distance power boat racing has gone beyond the experimental stage and profiting by experience in the contests that began with the race to Marblehead those yachtsmen who are managing the next race to Bermuda have made conditions that are very different from those that have governed former races.

The race that took place this year and which was won by the Ailsa Craig was run with time allowance. The Ailsa Craig had to allow time to the Idaho, but even with the allowance she won. There has always been a difference of opinion as to the value of time allowance and there always will be. Some designers figure that it is better to give time and others that it is better to receive time. The next race will be without time allowance, and this means that each boat will be built to the limit of size and power, and the first yacht to reach the finishing line will be the winner of the race.

Only seaworthy boats are eligible to compete for this race and the prize is a challenge trophy worth $1,000 and $1,000 in cash. The second prize will be a shield presented by Thomas Fleming Day, and if there are five starters there will be a third prize. The challenge trophy is now held jointly by the Motor Boat Club of America and the Royal Bermuda Yacht Club. The race will be started from off the Motor Boat Club station and end at Bermuda. The conditions to govern this race have been prepared early in order th at yachtsmen may have plenty of time to build their yachts and get them in racing trim before the date set for the contest, June 6. These conditions are as follows:

Boats—Open to seaworthy power boats not over 20 feet overall. A seaworthy boat is a substantially built, full decked vessel, having engine and living accommodations housed in, and being equipped with all the tackles and appliances necessary to enable her to perform a long passage in open water.

Propelling Power—Any form of internal combustion engine may be employed for propulsion purposes.

Fuel—The committee, comprehending that those entering the race have a thorough knowledge of the fuel necessary to insure the passage, does not specify any quantity, but same must be sufficient to complete a distance of at least one and one-half times the distance between New York and Bermuda. No ingredient shall be used to increase the power of fuel.

Sails—Boats must be equipped with suitable spars and rigging to carry sufficient sail to give them steerageway in a moderate breeze. The sail can be spread in any shape, but the total area of the canvas must not exceed 8 square feet for each foot of overall length. A squaresail and storm trysail may also be carried.

Stores and Water—Stores and water sufficient for thirty days must be carried.

Crew—No boat will be allowed to start with less than six men on board, one of whom shall be a practical navigator; one a practical engineer, and at least half of each crew must be amateurs.

Equipment—A boat or liferaft must be carried of sufficient buoyancy to salve the whole crew, or else two boats or a boat and raft. Also a ringbuoy or life jacket for each member of the crew. A full set of navigating instruments, a spare compass sea anchor, oil bag, and at least one gallon of crude petroleum or other oil, and fire extinguishers must be carried. Suitable arrangements for fitting an emergency tiller must be made. An assortment of spare parts and gear to the satisfaction of the committee must be carried.

Tanks—Fuel must be carried in at least two distinct tanks, which shall have distinct feed lines to engine or engines. Fuel for lighting or cooking purposes may be carried in separate receptacles. Water to be carried in at least two separate tanks, all tanks to be securely fitted and fastened to the hull of the vessel to the satisfaction of the committee.

Entries and Measurement—Entries will be received until thirty days before start of the race upon blanks which will be furnished by the secretaries of the clubs. All contestants must be measured by the clubs' measurer at least forty-eight hours before the start.

Protests—Protests covering violations of sailing rules must be made in writing within twenty-four hours after finish of race.

Inspection—All contestants must report at the anchorage of the Motor Boat Club of America, or at such time and place as the regatta committee shall designate, for the purpose of inspection and measurement.

Start—The start shall be made Saturday, June 6, at such hour and place as the committee may hereafter designate.

Course—From starting line in the harbor of New York to a stakeboat at Bermuda off St. David's Head, distance 670 nautical miles.

The committee reserves the right to reject any entry if in its judgment the boat is unseaworthy or unsuitable for long distance racing or is deficient in any particular. Entries will be accepted subject to inspection and approval by the regatta committee previous to the start.

The committee urges strict compliance with the letter and spirit of the conditions as above stated, and will be pleased to allow time to inspect plans or boats under construction.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

Columbia Plays Pluckily, but is Beaten by the Crescents, 3 to 2

That Columbia University possesses a game set of Association football players was again demonstrated at Bay Ridge yesterday afternoon, in spite of the fact that their efforts against the Crescent Athletic Club eleven resulted in defeat by the score of 3 goals to 2. Compared with the showing made by Princeton against the Crescents, who have a clean record thus far this season, the performance of the Blue and White looms up very large and encouraging, and hopes of victory in the intercollegiate championship series this season may be reasonably entertained. This view is further borne out by the capital stand made against Staten Island a week before.

The Crescents won the toss and Columbia put the ball in play against the wind. The Morningside boys started pressing well, but in due time the Crescents got their bearings and began harrassing Floyd in goal. Parsons, who is the Crescent's most brilliant end player, started the ball rolling with a telling shot from the left, which Floyd, at full length upon the ground, barely missed. Parsons repeated the trick in ten minutes after dribbling the ball from the middle of the field and beating Floyd with a beauty. Near the end of the first half Columbia made strenuous efforts to down the lead thus established. A long run by Kistler, who worked splendidly in conjunction with Capt. E. Dwyer, brought the ball close to the Crescent net, but was finely blocked by Woodworth. Kistler got another inning with the ball, which again sailed straight for the Crescent custodian. In its flight, however, it struck Salter of the home team on the back, and, thus deflected, sailed into the Crescent net. The half ended in favor of the Crescents by 2 goals to 1.

Five minutes after the restart Jeffers centre forward for the Crescents, worked up the field and a long run resulted in a hard shot tallying for the Brooklynites' third goal. Redoubling their efforts, the collegians made several gains, but were foiled at every turn by the sturdy defence of the opposing backs. Finally, Billingsley, racing full speed down the right wing, collided with Woodworth in goal, who had successfully negotiated the ball. Both men were laid low, Billingsley reviving after some quick emergency treatment applied by his comrades. A cut over the right eye, caused by broken spectacles, was Woodworth's portion.

A delay of ten minutes ensued, after which both players resumed. Play continued in a pouring rain, with darkness setting in. A final rush for the goal by Columbia enabled the forward line to carry Woodworth off his feet and the ball propelled by Kistler, dropped into the net for the last tally of the game.

At Livingston the eleven of the Staten Island Football Club, with a victory over Columbia to its credit, played another splendid game against the team of the steamship Carmania, now in part. The sailors were easily matched, being unable to play well together. The Islanders won out by the score of 6 goals to 1. Van Laer played his usually brilliant game, getting three of the goals. Minto shot two and Bell and Jenkins each one for the winners, and Townshead tallied for the visitors.

In the Amateur League soccer game at Van Cortlandt Park yesterday the champion Camerons defeated the eleven from Plainfield, N. J., by the score of 4 goals to 0. One goal resulted from the Camerons' efforts in the first half, through a good shot by Cameron at centre. In the second half tallies came more frequently, being credited to Cameron, Hastings and Curry in the order named.

In the interscholastic series for the possession of the Maxwell trophy the team of the Commercial High School defeated Townsend Harris Hall by the overwhelming score of 9 goals to 0 on Commercial Field in Brooklyn. Martin, playing outside left, scored no less than seven of the goals for his side. Stewart, at inside right, tallying the remaining two. At Van Cortlandt Park Morris High scored at the expense of De Witt Clinton, whose team was beaten 5 goals to 0.

The game at Utica Oval between P. S. No. 144 of Brooklyn and P. S. No. 166 of Manhattan in the series for the Mackay trophy was postponed on account of the inclement weather. At the same place on Friday P. S. No. 109 of Brooklyn defeated P. S. No. 22 of Queens by the score of 4 goals to 0. Schanhoit, at outside left, scored twice, while Webber and Shulman each scored once.

Billiards.

The handicap 18.2 balk line match between Tom Gallagher and Ora Morningstar at Daly's Academy, in which Morningstar was playing 2,400 points to Gallagher's 1,800, came to an end last night. Gallagher won, 1,800 to 1,467, making 300 points last night to Morningstar's 171. Gallagher was in the lead most of the way and the match from the first night was easy for him. The score:

Gallagher (1,800)—0, 3, 18, 2, 3, 18, 3, 1, 0, 12, 5, 19, 33, 9, 50, 38, 13, 17, 23, 3, 14. Total, 300. Average 13 14-22. High runs, 50, 33, 38. Grand total, 1,800.

Morningstar (2,400)—1, 4, 9, 2, 0, 8, 0, 14, 2, 17, 36, 1, 8, 9, 11, 0, 1, 724, 11. Total, 171. Average, 5 3-21. High runs, 36, 24, 17. Grand total, 1,467.

Beginning to-morrow night, Gallagher and Edward McLaughlin will play an 1,800 point match.

STEEPLECHASES IN THE RAIN

FINE RACING CLOSES UNITED HUNTS MEET AT QUEENS.

Pure Pepper Captures Stake by a Head From Knight of Elway—Adjutor Carries Top Weight Across Country—Economy Only Winner of Day for J. W. Colt.

At the close of the inaugural meeting of the United Hunts Racing Association in the rain yesterday H. S. Page's Pure Pepper won the $1,500 steeplechase by a head from Knight of Elway, the other two steeplechases being won by Singleton Van Schaick's Adjutor and the Brownleigh Stable's Miss Hobhouse, both being alone at the finish. Larry Mulligan's Arabo and J. W. Colt's Economy won over the hurdles, while J. Watson Webb's Marcotine won the flat race. The gentlemen riders to have mounts were Fred Alpers, who scored his third win at the meeting on Adjutor; J. Watson Webb, who won with Marcotine, and Hamilton Hadden, Lee Evans, F. Ambrose Clark and Jay O'Brien, the latter pair being twice in the saddle.

There was only a slim attendance, the women not numbering enough for a tea party, but the hunt club men were faithful. Brisking about under umbrellas or in raincoats were Robert Kelly, W. Burling Cocks, J. Temple Gwathmey, Paul D. Cravath, Samuel Willets, John E. Cowdin, E. H. Carle, A. C. Soule, W. C. Hayes, H. K. Vingut, Warner Baltazzi