THE EXHIBITION.

Arrival of the Amerique with the French Jurors.

AN ENTHUSIASTIC RECEPTION.

The New Republic of the Old World to the Old Republic of the New.

THE MONUMENT IN NEW YORK HARBOR.

The Regular Yearly Meeting of the United States Commission.

PHILADELPHIA, May 17, 1876.

This afternoon, at four o'clock, the tug Young America steamed down the Delaware to meet the Amérique, of the French Transatlantic Steamship Co., having on board the following mentioned distinguished gentlemen:—George Roulleaux Dugage, Royal Artillery, Delegate Commissioner from France; His Excellency M. De Bielsky, Imperial Commissioner for Russia; Captain Anfrye, member of the French Commission; Mr. Imbert, French Vice-Consul at New York; M. Debebian, of New York, and M. Persell, of Philadelphia, agents of the Compaigne Transatlantique, France; Albert Grigano, special correspondent of *Monde Illustré* and *Annales Industrielles*, of Paris, and the board of Customs officials.

The Amérique brought over the remainder of the French jurors of awards for the Centennial, as follows:—

The first division is made up solely of Mr. Simonin, the celebrated mining engineer and writer on mining. He has paid lengthy visits to this country and has written a great deal on the subject of the Nevada mines. He has recently published a work called "The American World" ("Le Monde Americain").

Second Division—Mr. Ruhlman, Jr., chemist.

Mr. De Bucy, mining engineer.

The Marquis of Rochambeau, grandson of General Rochambeau, who commanded the French troops at Yorktown, and member of the Committee of International Exhibitions.

Mr. Chatel, manufacturer, from Lyons.

Mr. Dietz Monin, member of the Municipal Council of Paris and Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Guiet, manufacturer, of Paris.

Third Division—Mr. Fount, of the publishing house of Hachette, of Paris.

Mr. Levasseur, member of the Institute.

Mr. Emile Saintin, the celebrated historical painter, and who has resided for many years in this city, who is well aquainted with the United States, and speaks English perfectly.

Fifth Division—Commandant Pèrier, attaché of the Minister of War.

Sixth Division—Mr. Martell, of the department of the Charente.

Mr. Coubert, representing the Commissioners of Public Instruction.

Mr. Bartholdi, the celebrated sculptor and relative of the French Minister at Washington, and well known as the artist of the colossal statue of "Liberty Enlightening the World," which is to be placed on Bedloe's Island and of which the foundation stone is to be laid on the 4th of July next. Mr. Bartholdi is also the author of the statue of Lafayette, now in this city, presented to the city of New York by the French government.

Mr. Rine Millet, attaché of the Department of Foreign Commerce.

The Count Alphonse de Diesbach.

Mr. Roulleaux Dugage, Commissioner delegated by the Commissioners General of International Exhibitions, has already been at Philadelphia for some time.

Mr. Lavoine, Engineer of Government Bridges and Roads; also a juror of the Third division.

Each of the above mentioned gentlemen have received $1,000 in gold from the French government for travelling expenses.

AMONG THE RUSSIANS

are Colonel Peteroff, of the Russian army, Professor Jossa and M. Slakowski.

The tug floated the imperial flag of Russia and the tri-colors of France and on approaching the steamer was received with much enthusiasm by the throng that crowded to the vessel's side. Successive cheers were given and returned and finally the party on the tug boarded the huge iron monster and were greeted with hearty embraces and handshakings. The Amerique brings over the last of

THE FRENCH EXHIBITS,

among which are the arms and hands of the great Bartholdi monument for Bedloe's Island; a large collection and varied assortment of china, stone and glass ware and various other minor articles.

The reporter of the HERALD, in an interview with M. Bartholdi and M. Rochambeau, learned that much anxiety is felt in France as to the prospects of getting a grant from the United States for the site of the

PROPOSED GREAT MONUMENT

in New York harbor. "The 2,500,000 francs have been nearly all subscribed, and the people of that sister Republic are most happy to commemorate in this way the great event they and Americans jointly established 100 years ago," M. Rochambeau remarked, and the earnest expression in M. Bartholdi's face indicated his hearty sympathy that the progress from its birth to such gigantic proportions of the American Republic in one single century challenges the admiration of the world and outstrips precedent in history, and Frenchmen all are proud of their participation in the initial and glad that they can participate in the centennial celebration of the epoch.

THE EXHIBITION.

Fate seems to pursue the Centennial so far as the weather is concerned. The rain passed away last evening, but all day it has been threatening a storm, and I can scarcely remember any May weather more disagreeable. Even the flags begin to show the effect of the continuous storms, and the colors seem disposed to run into each other. It is difficult to distinguish the flag of our country in many cases from that of some "effete monarchy." The commission is in daily session, dealing with, among others,

THE SUNDAY QUESTION.

The Episcopal Bishop has issued an address, warning his people of what may happen if they surrender the Lord's day, "the day given to man in the garden of Eden." The Catholic Archbishop writes a letter touching more rational ground, namely, that Sunday is a day of rest and peace, and if the Christian soul has performed the offices of devotion there is no reason why the Christian body should not breathe the fresh air, and contemplate not alone the works of nature but this marvellous epitome of the nineteenth century civilization. The Commissioners have no decided ideas, except to make the Exhibition pay, and to have as complete a show as is possible. So far as the Sunday question is concerned the sentiment against invading the time-honored American idea that Sunday is not to be observed except as a resting day will control the members in their deliberations.

The most that can be expected is that the buildings, with the exception of the Art Gallery and the Horticultural Hall, will be closed and the grounds left open.

THE UNITED STATES COMMISSION.

The commission met at noon on the occasion of the regular yearly meeting. The Executive Committee made a report in form, through its President, Mr. Morrell, of Pennsylvania. Mr. Colwell, of Tennessee, made a report of his committee on the commissions issued by certain Governors, and it appeared that, aside from these, the number of regularly appointed commissioners from the various States is about 360.

Mr. Cleveland, of New York, introduced a resolution that a new circular be issued to exhibitors containing queries for the assistance of the judges in their investigations.

Mr. Paul, of Colorado, moved that the annual election of officers of the commission take place to-morrow.

HAWLEY TO BE RE-ELECTED.

Mr. Morrell said, in giving a second, he hoped that the President, General Hawley, would be re-elected unanimously.

Mr. Cleveland—I note that a leading New York correspondent states that I am a candidate; but I wish to say that I am in perfect accord with our President and he is the same with me.

Governor Crawford, of Kansas, announced that complaint was made that yesterday the Horticultural and Agricultural halls were closed at half-past five o'clock. "We ought," he said, "to be looking into all kinds of injustice."

The Chair answered—The commission is now in charge, and it will be responsible for all irregularities. This and all similar complaints should receive the prompt attention of the appropriate committee. The President spoke of the great delay of exhibitors in attaching their names to articles they exhibit. People want to know who shows this and that, and after they would be glad of particular information on certain things.

FRUIT AND VEGETABLE SHOW.

A fine display was made of early vegetables in Agricultural Hall, mostly from gardens in this vicinity. The list included beets (full grown), lettuce, pie plant (of the mammoth sort), carrots, asparagus, radishes, cauliflowers, nearly grown cucumbers, spinach, leeks, onions and celery. Some large conservatory onions were on the same table. The show of apples is large and fine, and especially so considering the lateness of the season. The State Michigan Pomological Society has about forty varieties, which is an uncommonly large exhibit at this season, embracing Northern spy, Baldwin, green Newtown pippins, Esopus Spitzenburg, Flushing Spitzenburg, Pinnock, Ben Davis, Canada red, golden russett, Roxbury russet, Swan, Hubbard, nonesuch, Tompkins county king, little romanite gloria mundi, fall pippin and Newtown pippin. The greater part of these fine sorts are presented in fine order.

THE RESTAURANT KEEPERS

who have places in the grounds were before the Committee on Concessions yesterday, and were notified by Director General Goshorne that extortion would not be tolerated under any circumstances, and that if the practice was not stopped their contracts would be annulled.

JAMES MUGFORD.

PATRIOTIC REJOICING AT CAPE ANN—HONORING THE MEMORY OF CAPTAIN MUGFORD—AN ADDRESS BY DR. LORING—INCIDENTS OF THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR REVIVED.

MARBLEHEAD, Mass., May 17, 1876.

This has been a day of general and patriotic rejoicing for Cape Ann and, beyond all, a day sacred to the memory of James Mugford, a captain of one of the companies in the Marblehead Marine regiment and one of the most brilliant and fearless souls the Revolution brought to the front.

One hundred years ago Captain Mugford, a young man of Marblehead, bred to the sea, was impressed on board the British frigate Lively and subsequently transferred to a sloop-of-war, then lying in the harbor of this town. Released afterward, at the request of his wife, he had in the meantime ascertained that the arrival of a ship loaded with powder and supplies was daily expected by the commander of the British forces. He then conceived the daring project of attempting its capture, and obtaining command of the Continental cruiser, Franklin, sailed from Marblehead, with a crew of twenty-one men. He soon encountered the Hope, a British ship of 350 tons and six guns, and although the English fleet lay but a few miles off he overcame the crew and took the prize with its valuable cargo of supplies and munitions into Boston Harbor. Putting to sea again he was attacked by thirteen launches from the British fleet and during the encounter he was killed. His body was buried in great state at Marblehead, but his resting place is not known to-day. It is to the memory of this man that the monument at Marblehead has been erected and it is to recall in a measure, and appropriately commemorate his gallant exploit, that the day was set apart for special services of a patriotic character.

The day was ushered in by the ringing of all the church bells for one hour at sunrise, and a salute fired this noon was followed by another at sunset. The programme embraced three leading features, a procession, services at the monument and exercises at the church.

After prayer by the Rev. N. B. Bailey, of the Unitarian church, and the singing, Rev. John W. Chadwick, of Brooklyn, N. Y., read an original ode. This was followed by the

ORATION OF DR. GEORGE B. LORING,

who traced the leading events on sea and land during the exciting period of the Revolution, and then discussed the character of James Mugford and those deeds of valor which won for him in a few weeks an imperishable name among the bravest heroes in our history. "He was commander," said Dr. Loring, "of the celebrated Marine or Fourteenth Continental regiment and a son of one of the enterprising citizens of this town, who, in connection with John Hooper, was engaged in commerce and the fisheries, and was the owner of a few small vessels. The young man was possessed of a strong and vigorous frame, which had been knit by the athletic exercise on land and in the water which has given so many of the sons of this town their great endurance and has fitted them for valuable service in the many conflicts in which they have so freely laid down their lives. He had been employed in the business of his father and Mr. Hooper, sometimes on shore, but oftener at sea. Filled with the martial spirit of the town, a spirit warmed and invigorated by John Glover, the renowned Colonel of the Marine regiment, the friend of Washington, the trustiest friend of freedom, the hero of Trenton, and by Timothy Pickering, who even while clerk in the Registry of Deeds taught the young men in military tactics, Mugford took an early part in the patriotic proceedings to which the people here were devoted. Early in 1775 he had been impressed into the British service by a press gang who came ashore from the frigate Lively, then lying opposite Skinner's Head, at a point now known as the Ballast. He was at that time just married, and when his young wife learned that he had been thus rudely torn from his home she rushed to his rescue, and so vehemently demanded his release that the officers of the Lively were but too glad to have the indignant couple depart in peace. While on board his prison-ship in the harbor he heard the British sailors discussing the probable arrival ere many days of a powder ship, with munitions and stores for the British troops in and around Boston. He at once determined upon the seizure of this vessel, and on his release he importuned his father to give him command of one of his small coasters, with which he might carry out his design. The father was reluctant and informed him that a stripling like himself should not expect to lead in great enterprises requiring sagacity and courage. 'David was a stripling,' replied the young man, 'but he slew Goliath; now give me my chance.' The father yielded and assigned to his son the schooner Franklin, which he armed and manned for his expedition, and for the use of which in capturing the expected ship he obtained a commission from General Ward, then at Philadelphia. His associates were twenty men selected by him from the Marine regiment, at that time stationed at Beverly. Thus prepared he set forth, far more formidable in the gallantry of himself and his men than in the armament of his little privateer. His cruise was a short one. Not many days after leaving this port he encountered the object of his search in the vicinity of Boston Harbor, and, after a desperate struggle, succeeded in capturing her and delivering her valuable freight of 1,500 barrels of powder, 1,000 carbines, a number of travelling carriages for cannon and a complete assortment of artillery instruments and pioneers' tools, to the American army. The contribution was invaluable; the supplies coming, as they did, at a most trying juncture renewed the spirits of the patriot soldiers and gave new courage and confidence to their great commander, and brought him for the first time into those intimate relations with the people of this town, which strengthened as the war went on and filled him with an especial love for the home of Mugford and Glover and Gerry and Orne. It was an event full of chivalry as well as of importance. To Mugford himself the pride of his victory was short. Endeavoring the day after his capture to return to Marblehead his vessel was attacked by boats sent for that purpose from an English man-of-war that was riding in Nantasket Roads and he was mortally wounded while repelling a boarding attempt made by the enemy. Falling back, one of his crew anxiously inquired if he was wounded. 'Yes,' said he, 'but don't let the enemy know my situation; and if I die, act as if I were alive and still commanding.' He instantly expired. His work was done. And in the declining hours of that placid day in spring his victorious comrades bore him back in sadness to his native town, the most sacred freight that the vessels of your fathers had ever brought into the waters of this harbor. The father mourned for his son; the young wife wept in silence over the body of her husband, slain in the great cause; but the patriotic old town received the fallen hero in her arms, and bestowed upon him all the honors which a proud and grateful people can give, and the name of Mugford is immortal in American history."

J. H. Orne, C. H. Litchman and J. J. N. Gregory then made brief historical addresses after an original ode, written by Miss Marcia M. Silman, was read, and after the benediction was pronounced the exercises were brought to a close by the singing of "America" by the Musical Association.

A CENTENARIAN IN DISTRESS.

NEW YORK, May 17, 1876.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD:—

At No. 220 West Eighteenth street, first floor, rear house, there lies Mrs. Margaret Walker, aged 101 years and one month, without relatives at all or friends able to give her the necessaries of life. She is suffering from extensive ulceration of the hand from a burn; the bones of the hand and finger being laid bare. She is certainly deserving of charity. PHYSICIAN.

A VICTIM OF MELANCHOLIA.

Joseph B. Watson, a printer, aged thirty-seven years, residing at No. 85 East Broadway, recently developed unmistakable symptoms of melancholia, which excited the apprehension of his friends, who watched him closely. Yesterday afternoon it became evident that he was thoroughly insane, and he was removed to Bellevue Hospital, where it was necessary to confine him in a cell. His recovery is considered improbable. The cause of his mental aberration is unknown.

A RAILROAD COMPANY CENSURED.

An inquest was held on Tuesday evening in East New York over the body of Thomas Blackmore, aged eleven years, who was recently run over by the cars on the Long Island Railroad. The jury rendered a verdict censuring the railroad company for carelessness "for allowing boys to play around the cars." The father of the boy proposes to take legal action against the company.

FATAL RUNAWAY ACCIDENT.

Samuel Reed, a butcher, living near Mount Vernon, Westchester county, was instantly killed by being thrown from his wagon while near the Hudson River Railroad depot, at Yonkers, on Tuesday afternoon. Deceased was standing in his wagon, when his horse took fright at the whistle of a locomotive, and, the animal starting off, he was thrown to the ground head foremost. His skull was crushed in a shocking manner. He leaves a wife and family.

CRIPPLED FOR LIFE.

John Meney, a cartman, forty years old, was kicked by a vicious horse yesterday afternoon, at the corner of First avenue and Twenty-fifth street. He received a compound fracture of both bones of the leg and will be a cripple for life.

FIRE IN BROOKLYN.

About half-past seven o'clock last evening a fire broke out in the Knitting Machine Factory of John Kent, No. 11 Duffield street, Brooklyn, caused by some woodwork taking fire from the boiler. Mr. Kent's loss is estimated at about $8,000 or $9,000; fully insured.

POLO.

SOME WELL CONTESTED GAMES AT JEROME PARK YESTERDAY.

The Polo Club met yesterday afternoon at Jerome Park and played a series of games that reflected great credit on the participants. Taking into consideration the little practice the members of the club and their ponies have had the play yesterday was remarkably good, and some of the players showed an appreciation of the fine points of the game that is rarely acquired without considerable practice. The regular club grounds are not yet in order, and the games were held in the meadow at the southern end of Jerome Park. The grass has been mowed, but it is still rather long, making a long hit rather a difficult matter. The ground for the players was staked off with flagged poles, and the goals were placed about 100 yards apart. The spaces at the goals through which the ball has to be driven, were about twenty-five feet in width. If the ball went beyond a goal without passing through the territory thus limited, the play was considered foul, and the parties defending the goal had the privilege of a hit-out. The rules of the game are very similar to those of the familiar shinny of our boyhood.

The game was announced to commence at four P. M., and shortly before that time the ponies were brought on the ground, saddled and bridled and ready for the fray. They have improved considerably in appearance during the past ten day, and show very plainly the results of grain and grooming. Any person who saw the ragged-looking lot that arrived at Paterson about a month ago would never recognize them in the well fed ponies that were moving about the track yesterday, some with coats as fine as satin. Punctuality was not strictly observed, but as soon as seven or eight players had arrived, the umpire, Mr. Blasson, started them at the competition. The colors worn by the players were mainly blue or cherry. The little forage caps were of various shades and the riding breeches mostly light brown cord. As soon as the members were mounted, stirrup leathers brought to the proper length and curbs adjusted,

THE FOLLOWING SIDES WERE CHOSEN:—

Mr. Moore,	Mr. Bennett,
Mr. W. Thorne,	Mr. J. Kane,
Mr. P. Belmont,	Mr. Griswold,
Mr. A. Jay,	Mr. H. Robbins.
Mr. J. Mott.	

Each side then ranged in front of its goal and the umpire rode to the centre, and, throwing the ball in the air, gave the starting signal "Go." There was a confused sound of many little hoofs striking on the turf as the opposing forces charged for the ball, and soon the blue and cherry shirts were massed in a heap, the bamboo sticks of the players clicked together as they strove to drive out the ball. The ponies have not yet got quite accustomed to the work, and they danced about so as to require considerable urging and good riding. Mr. Moore, Mr. Robbins and Mr. Thorne worked very hard and were always in the thickest of the fight. Mr. Robbins has already acquired a very good knowledge of the game, and rides quite a clever little pony that can show quite a turn of speed. Mr. Mott is also becoming quite an experienced player and handles his bamboo with considerable dexterity. After playing for about half an hour, and each side having won a goal, the players took a rest and paid their respects to the ladies on the coaches of Mr. William P. Douglass and Colonel Jay, that had just driven up. The grounds presented quite an animated appearance with the three coaches drawn up in front of the marquee, on the southern end of the grounds, and the gayly attired horsemen trotting around on their splendid little ponies. Several private carriages were also drawn up within the grounds, and the boundary wall gave pleasant seats to the boys of Fordham and its environs. After a rest of about half an hour sides were again chosen, with the following result:—

Sir Bache Cunard,	Mr. J. G. Bennett,
Mr. D. Moore,	Mr. H. Robbins,
Mr. W. Thorne,	Mr. Schuyler Crosby,
Mr. J. Mott,	Mr. P. Belmont,
Mr. J. Kane,	Mr. S. Howland,
Mr. W. P. Douglas,	Mr. G. Jay,
	Mr. Griswold.

Lord Mandeville was on the ground, but did not play, preferring to act as umpire. As soon as the players had taken up their positions he gave the word and

THE GAME COMMENCED.

FIRST GAME.—The first charge resulted in a slight disadvantage to Sir Bache Cunard's side, but that gentleman, who was keeping somewhat in the background waiting for an opening, got a chance, and, hitting the ball round the group of players, got clear away and drove it beyond his goal, but, as it failed to go between the goal posts, it was hit out again, and the contest was recommenced. The tables then turned. The ball was gradually forced back to Sir Bache Cunard's end of the ground, and was finally sent between the goal posts. Thus the first game was scored against Sir Bache and his gallant supporters.

In the second game the players changed goals. They repeated this manœuvre after every game played during the afternoon. As soon as the word was given Sir Bache Cunard dashed in, followed by the members of his party, and they carried the ball within twenty feet of their goal. Here a determined fight was made, and the sticks clashed against each other, or struck the ponies' legs, making the small quadrupeds dance frantically. Sir Bache's party worked very hard and finally their efforts were crowned with success, as a well directed blow from Mr. Mott sent the little wooden ball spinning in between the goal posts. Victory was hence scored for Sir Bache Cunard's side.

Each side had now won a game and the spectators began to get excited. The ladies seated in the coaches made extravagant bets of gloves. Sir Bache Cunard appeared to be the favorite. At the word "Go!" the contestants began the third game, going helter-skelter for the ball. As the first two or three were rather too eager abd failed to strike it the whole party became engaged, and after some vigorous work the ball was slowly forced down toward Sir Bache Cunard's end of the ground. Sir Bache was, however,

EQUAL TO THE EMERGENCY,

and, carrying the ball along the outside of the crowd, would have got clean away with it to the goal if its direction had not been turned by a clever backhanded hit from one of the opposing party. There was another scrimmage and some of the players began to sling their sticks, regardless of consequences. There should be some penalty imposed on a member who is careless in the use of his stick after being once warned by the umpire. While the players were squabbling in a crowd for the ball, Cunard and Robbins kept a short distance behind their respective sides, waiting for an opportunity to steal the ball away. In one of the scrimmages somebody cannoned against Robbins and he went to grass; but he was as soon in the pigskin again as busy as ever. After a twenty minutes' fight the opponents of Sir Bache's party made another grand rush and succeeded in winning the game.

In the fourth game Mr. Robbins joined Sir Bache Cunard, as Mr. Moore had given up. Thus the sides were made even as to the numbers of players. Charging for the ball, Robbins made a clever opening hit, and following up would have carried the ball along, but he was "ridden out" by one of the opposing party. After a short struggle the Cunarders secured the victory, making the games two and two.

The next game was the shortest on record. Its time was fifteen seconds. Mr. Robbins charged for the ball and missed it, but Sir Bache Cunard, who was backing him up, sent it through the goal in two hits.

It was now beginning to get dusk, but they started a sixth game. Cunard made the opening shot, but as the ball struck a pony the effect was lost. The ball was then carried down against the efforts of Cunard's party, but before it reached the goal they fought it back. In the struggle Mr. Douglas rode down one of the goal posts. Everybody worked hard this game, and Mr. Belmont, Mr. Kane and Mr. Mott played well. After some sharp fighting the Cunard party rallied in force and carried the ball through the goal posts. The play then concluded, the score standing—Cunard 4 and Bennett 2. Fifteen minutes after play was done the horns were tooting and the three coaches rolling down along the Boulevard.

COLUMBIA COLLEGE LAW SCHOOL.

The Seventeenth Annual Commencement of the Columbia College Law School took place last evening in the Academy of Music. The vast auditorium was crowded by the friends of the college and the students. On the stage were the Faculty and several hundred of invited guests. Grafulla's band opened the exercises with Suppe's overture "Bauditenstreiche," and selections from the "Prophet." As the band played Grafulla's march, dedicated to the class of '76, the 219 graduates of the school advanced along the centre aisle and took seats in the parquette. After prayer by the chaplain, Cornelius R. Duffie, S. T. D., an address to the graduates was delivered by Professor Theo. W. Dwight, LL.D., on "Ancient and Modern Law." The eloquent remarks of the professor were frequently interrupted by hearty applause. The band then gave selections from "Lohengrin," after which the Alumni were addressed by L. Bradford Prince. "Light Cavalry" and the "Inauguration" waltz were given by Grafulla, and then the reports of the committees upon the award of prizes in municipal law and in political science were read. The prizes in the department of municipal law were three in number, and were awarded as follows:—First prize, $250, to Walter Donmaux Edmonds, a graduate of Williams College; second prize, $150, to Harrington Putnam; third prize, $100, to Samson Lachman, a graduate of the College of the City of New York.

The following gentlemen were honorably mentioned for the excellence of their essays and examination papers:—Abraham Salomon, De Lancey Nicoll and John E. Brandegree. The Committee of Awards were Austin Abbott, George Van Nest Baldwin and Frederick H. Betts, of the New York Bar. The prize in the Department of Political Science, $150, was divided equally between Edmund M. Smith, a graduate of Amherst College, and Thomas F. Taylor, a graduate of Harvard University, both members of the Junior Class of the Law School.

Among the graduates were Shoge Takato Agee, Jeddo, Japan; R. Busteed, Jr., Jamaica, L. I.; George F. Butterworth, A. B., New York city; Walter D. Edmonds, A. B., Utica, N. Y.; Ulysses Simpson Grant, A. B., Harvard University, Washington, D. C.; Thomas W. Grover, A. B., Chicago, Ill.; Edward Sargent Hatch, New York; De Lancey Nicoll, A. B.; James Coffin Perkins, A. B., San Francisco; William A. Pierrepont, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Harrington Putnam, Worcester, Mass., and Edward Sumner Rapallo, A. B., New York.

The conferring of the diplomas by the President, Frederick A. P. Barnard, D. D., LL. D., and a benediction by the Chaplain closed the ceromonies.

LOUISVILLE RACES.

Third Day of the Spring Meeting.

Harper's Lexington Filly, Classmate and Elemi the Winners.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., May 17, 1876.

The track to-day was in the finest possible trim for racing, and the weather being clear and hot the conditions were very favorable for fast time. This anticipation was realized. The attendance was large and fashionable, the ladies seeming to enjoy the sport immensely. Three events were on the card—the first being the Kentucky Oaks, dash of one mile and a half for three-year-old fillies, a race similar to the English Oaks, which was inaugurated in 1779; the second, the Louisville Ladies' Stake, for two-year-old fillies, dash of half a mile, and the third a dash of two miles and an eighth, for all ages. The stake races had full fields, and gave great satisfaction to the spectators, particularly the race for the Oaks. The long distance event was also a capital contest, and was won in good style by Elemi, who took the lead with the tap of the drum and maintained it to the end.

THE KENTUCKY OAKS.

This had nine starters, comprising T. J. Megibben's Eaglet and same owner's Eastern Planet, A. B. Lewis & Co.'s Lady Clipper, A. Keene Richards' Clemmie G., J. W. Hunt Reynolds' Pirouette, P. Lorillard's Tigress, F. B. Harper's Lexington filly, G. W. Stewart's Tecalco and George Cadwallader's Plenty. Clemmie G. was a great favorite, Tigress being second choice at the closing of the pool sales, Lady Clipper third, Plenty fourth, the others as a field. The start was a good one, Tigress getting the best of the send-off, Tecalco second, the others so bunched that it was impossible to distinguish and separate them. As the fillies ran around the lower turn Tigress showed the way, Tecalco second, Harper's third, the balance still in a heap. The fillies rattled up the homestretch at a merry pace, and here there were important changes, for as they passed the judges' stand Eaglet had the post of honor, Tecalco second, Tigress third, Plenty fourth, Lady Clipper fifth, Easter Planet sixth, Clemmie G. seventh, Harper's eighth, Pirouette ninth. There was no change of places around the upper turn, and the fillies passed the quarter pole in the same order that they left the stand, but were lapped on each other. The time of the first quarter was 25¼ seconds, and the half mile 51¼ seconds. Going down the back stretch the changes were rapid and puzzling, but as the ladies passed the half mile pole Tigress had her head in front, Lady Clipper second, a neck in front of Tecalco, Easter Planet fourth, Plenty fifth, Harper's sixth, Clemmie G. seventh, Eaglet eighth, Pirouette ninth. Time of the mile, 1:40¾. Lady Clipper showed in front on the lower turn and into the homestretch, Tigress second, Plenty third, Tecalco fourth, Harper's fifth, the others beaten off. A very fine race up the stretch terminated by Harper's Lexington filly winning the race by three lengths, Plenty second, Lady Clipper third, Tigress fourth, Tecalco fifth, Easter Planet sixth, Clemmie G. seventh, Eaglet eighth, Pirouette ninth. Time, 2:42¼.

WINNERS OF THE KENTUCKY OAKS.

Year.	Winners.	Subs.	Starters.	Time.
1875	Vinalgretto	27	6	2:39¾
1876	Harper's Lex. filly	23	9	2:42¼

THE LOUISVILLE LADIES' STAKES.

This event brought before the starter S. Powers' Princess, G. W. Stewart's Ellen Alice, Williams & Owings' Spring Branch and same owner's Classmate, J. W. Samuels' Crosslet, A. Buford's Lizzie Whips, J. W. Hunt Reynolds' Miss Ella and same owner's Felicia, J. W. Tisdale's Eva Shirley and Green Clay's Glenella. Williams & Owings' two were the favorites, Glenella second choice, Reynolds' two next in favor and then the field. Classmate jumped off with the lead, Lizzie Whips second, Spring Branch third, Glenella fourth, Eva Shirley fifth, the others in a bunch. Around the lower turn the youngsters enveloped themselves in such a cloud of dust that it was impossible to distinguish any more than the advanced skirmishers of the brigade, these being Classmate first, Lizzie Whips second, Spring Branch third, Eva Shirley fourth and Glenella fifth. They ran rapidly up the homestretch, Classmate passing under the wire the winner, two lengths in front of Spring Branch, the latter one length ahead of Lizzie Whips, Eva Shirley fourth, Glenella fifth, Felecia sixth, Princess seventh, Crosslet eighth, Miss Ella ninth and Ellen Alice tenth. Time of first quarter 25 seconds and the half mile 50 seconds.

WINNERS OF THE LOUISVILLE LADIES' STAKE.

Year.	Winner.	Subs.	Starters.	Time.
1875	Lady Clipper	19	8	0:50
1876	Classmate	21	10	0:50

TWO MILES AND AN EIGHTH.

The third race had four starters. These were Elemi, Whisper, Damon and Captain Hutchinson. Whisper was the favorite, Elemi second choice, Damon third, while Captain Hutchinson averaged only about $5 in $100. Elemi took the lead, Captain Hutchinson second, Whisper third, Damon fourth. When the horses reached the stand Elemi was leading two lengths, Captain Hutchinson second, Whisper third, with Damon close up. Elemi showed the way around the upper turn and opened a gap of five lengths to the quarter pole, Whisper second, two lengths in front of Captain Hutchinson, who was two lengths in advance of Damon. Running down the backstretch Elemi kept the gap open, making the pace so strong that the others were extended to their utmost and their positions soon changed. The filly was four lengths in front at the half-mile pole, Whisper second, five lengths ahead of Captain Hutchinson, who was two lengths in advance of Damon. There were no changes around the lower turn, but coming up the homestretch Damon made a gallant run, and, passing Captain Hutchinson and Whisper, laid himself at the flanks of Elemi as she passed under the wire at the judges' stand. The first mile—that is, from the furlong pole back to it again—was in 1:47. Going around the turn Elemi and Damon ran yoked together, and they left the others so far behind that they were no longer in the race, and the affair resolved itself simply into a match between them. They raced down the backstretch head and head, the filly having the best of it by a neck at the half-mile pole; but going around the lower turn she led one length. Damon stuck closely to her up the homestretch, but he could not overtake her, and she ran under the string a winner by a length, having made the two miles in 3:35¼, and the last furlong in 14 seconds, making the total time of the two miles and an eighth 3:49½.

SUMMARY.

LOUISVILLE, KY., MAY 17, 1876—THIRD DAY OF THE SPRING MEETING OF THE LOUISVILLE JOCKEY CLUB.—First race—The Kentucky Oaks, for three-year-old fillies, $50 each, play or pay, with $1,000 added by the club; second filly to have $200. Closed with 23 nominations, value $2,150. One mile and a half.

F. B. Harper's ch. f. by Lexington, dam by imp. Glencoe, 97 lbs 1
George Cadwallader's ch. f. Plenty, by Planet, dam Marietta, by Mahomet, 97 lbs 2
A. B. Lewis & Co.'s ch. f. Lady Clipper, by Hunter's Lexington, dam Carrie Cosly, 97 lbs 3
P. Lorillard's b. f. Tigress, by imp. Leamington, dam Remorseless, by imp. Eclipse, 97 lbs 4
G. W. Stewart's ch. f. Tecalco, by Glen Athol, dam Volga, by imp. Glencoe, 97 lbs 5
T. J. Megibben's ch. f. Eastern Planet, by Planet, dam Mollie Hamilton, by Knight of St. George, 97 lbs 6
A. Keene Richards' ch. f. Clemmie G., by War Dance, dam Alexandra, by Sovereign, 97 lbs 7
T. J. McGibben's ch. f. Eaglet, by Planet, dam Eagless, by Glencoe, 97 lbs 8
J. W. Hunt Reynolds' ch. f. Pirouette, by Harvey Villian, dam Farfaletta, 97 lbs 9
Time, 2:42¼.

SAME DAY—SECOND RACE.—The Louisville Ladies' Stake, for two year-old fillies; $25 each, pay or play, with $300 added by the club; second filly to receive $100. Closed with twenty-one nominations; value, $1,350. Half a mile.

Williams & Owings' b. f. Classmate, by Planet, dam Full Cry, by Vandal, 87 lbs 1
Williams & Owings' ch. f. Spring Branch, by imp. Australian, dam Spring Brook, by Lexington, 87 lbs 2
A. Buford's br. f. Lizzie Whips, by Enquirer, dam by Vandal, 87 lbs 3
J. W. Tisdale's b. f. Eva Shirley, by imp. Glenelg, dam Edena, by Lexington, 87 lbs 4
Green Clay's b. f. Glenella, by imp. Glenelg, dam Sallie, by Lexington, 87 lbs 5
J. W. Hunt Reynolds' br. f. Felicia, by imp. Phaeton, dam Farfaletta, 87 lbs 6
S. Powers' br. f. Princess, by imp. Billet, dam Bettie Lewis, by Uncle Vic, 87 lbs 7
J. W. Samuels' ch. f. Crosslet, by War Dance, dam Princess Royal, by Sovereign, 87 lbs 8
J. W. Hunt Reynolds' ch. f. Miss Ella, by Enquirer, dam Meletta, 87 lbs 9
G. W. Stewart's b. f. Ellen Alice, by Barney Williams, dam by Planet, 87 lbs 10
Time, 50 seconds.

SAME DAY—THIRD RACE.—Association Purse of $500, for all ages; second horse to have $100. Two miles and an eighth.

T. J. McGibben's b. f. Elemi, by Asteroid, dam Edina, 101 lbs 1
James Davis' ch. c. Damon, 4 years, by Jack Malone, dam Fanny Barrow, 104 lbs 2
J. W. Hunt Reynold's b. h. Whisper, 6 years, by Planet, dam Mattie Gross, 114 lbs ..... dis.
Fred Lloyd's b. h Captain Hutchinson, aged, by Voucher, dam by Zero, 114 lbs ..... dis.
Time, 3:49½.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The pool rooms in this city were crowded as usual last evening, but there was not any very spirited speculations upon to-day's Louisville events. The following pools were sold:—

FALLS CITY STAKE—MILE HEATS.

	Turf Exchange.		Johnson's.	Thomas'.
Clay's	60	50	40	25
Jennings'	18	15	10	13
Withers'	18	14	8	10
Vissman's	15	12	8	10
Powers'	21	17	—	—
Alcock's	12	10	6	8
Tisdale's	—	—	4	9

LOUISVILLE CUP, TWO AND A QUARTER MILES.

Ten Broeck	100	50	50	60	26
Monmouth	24	12	12	14	5

WASHINGTON RACES.

There was some little betting last night on the opening events of the National Jockey Club's inaugural running meeting. The following are an average:—

DASH THREE-QUARTERS OF A MILE.

	Turf Exchange.		Johnson's.	
First Chance	40	50	35	30
Spindrift	31	38	27	25
Keene Richards	9	12		
Skirmisher	55	60	60	55
Test				
Friday				
Nettie B.				
Leader				
Alecto				
Austral				

MILE HEATS.

Holkirk	40	50	20	25
May B.	8	10	5	7
King B.	8	11	5	6
Lillie L.	35	40	20	25

There were also one or two pools on the Hurdle Race, Resolute selling about even against the field.

DEERFOOT PARK.

SECOND DAY OF THE SPRING TROTTING MEETING—LADY MILLS AND HARRY SPANKER THE WINNERS.

The second day of the Spring Trotting Meeting at Deerfoot Park passed off satisfactorily. There were two events on the card: mile heats, three in five, in harness, for horses that never beat 2:45, purse of $150, and mile heats, three in five, for 2:32 horses, purse of $250. In the first race Lady Mills, a very pretty mare, owned by Mr. J. L. Bodine, of Middletown, N. Y., was the favorite at the odds of 10 to 6 over all the others. She won the race in the easiest imaginable style in two heats.

The 2:32 purse had six starters. C. Dickerman's bay gelding Harry Spanker, the favorite at long odds, captured it without effort in three straight heats. Peter Manee's bay gelding Harry Irving took second money, and A. Hopkins' brown mare Sally Mack third premium.

SUMMARY.

DEERFOOT PARK, PARKVILLE, L. I.—SECOND DAY OF THE SPRING TROTTING MEETING, WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 1876.—Purse $150, for horses that had never beaten 2:45, mile heats, three in five, in harness; $80 to the first, $50 to the second and $20 to the third horse.

J. L. Bodine's b. m. Lady Mills	1	1	
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