

JOCKEY O'CONNOR WON THREE RACES.

Only One Favorite Landed at Tanforan and the Talent Was Hard Hit.

CARELESS RIDING BLAMED.

"Spike" Weber Piloted Three Winners at New Orleans—Monk Wayman Revels in Distance.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 26.—The talent played in hard luck at Tanforan to-day, as but one first choice, Torsida, finished in front, although in most of the races the favorites were clearly the best horses.

The only chance of the wise ones to smile came in the fourth race. The Mitten, who showed considerable speed, led to the half, where she blew up. Torsida got through on the last turn in good race through the stretch won by a neck from Billy Moore, a 4 to 1 chance, coming event being third.

The talent picked out Nova in the first event and played her to a standstill, while the favorite was a strong second choice. They finished respectively eighth and tenth, Montalada, at 6 to 1, winning from C. H. Harrison.

Blas and Imperius carried the wise money in the second, but Pupil, who was little thought of at 10 to 1, went to the front at the head of the race, winning from Alas in a drive. Imperius was third, four lengths away. MacTyle, the favorite in the third, was probably the best of the jockey hurried to make the start and Corigan's Artina finished very strong and broke down out of the race.

Herbert, the talent's selection in the race, was too slow in making his ride and Don Luis, who had a good lead at the start, was probably the best of the race, winning by a head. Herculean beat Lomachua, clearing the place.

First race, six furlongs, selling—Montalada, 10 (Moose), 8 to 1, won. Carter H. Harrison, Jr., driver. Second race, six furlongs, selling—Pupil, 10 (Moose), 10 to 1, won. Alas, 14 (Moose), 10 to 1, second. Third race, six furlongs, selling—MacTyle, 10 (Moose), 10 to 1, won. Fourth race, six furlongs, selling—Torsida, 10 (Moose), 10 to 1, won. Fifth race, six furlongs, selling—Nova, 10 (Moose), 10 to 1, won. Sixth race, six furlongs, selling—Blas, 10 (Moose), 10 to 1, won.

RUNNERS OUGHT TO HAVE ONE PLATE.

Expert Farriers Say the Turf Congress Made a Mistake in Abolishing Them.

WHY PLATE WAS SUPPRESSED.

Track Owners Think It Will Prevent Horses From Being Out Down—To-Day's Meeting of the Turf Congress.

Ever since the Turf Congress met last fall and decided to restrict racing on the big St. Louis and Chicago tracks until the little tracks on the Southern Circuit had a chance to make a few dollars, there has been a lot of talk about the possibility of the organization being disrupted by the secession of the Northern tracks, which, it has been predicted, would band together and organize a new turf governing body.

The Chicago and St. Louis tracks are opposed to abolishing their meetings, and to help out Chicago, Louisville, Nashville and Little Rock. Their vigorous protests finally resulted in a call for a special meeting of the Turf Congress, which is to be held in New York next month. The date question will be given further consideration.

The circuit system was passed by a 6 to 5 vote. If Memphis and the El Paso tracks line up with St. Louis and Chicago to-day, the Memphis vote for the circuit system, but it is not likely that they will do so. The Chicago and St. Louis tracks are opposed to abolishing their meetings, and to help out Chicago, Louisville, Nashville and Little Rock.

It is customary for the cover points here in the New Orleans, Dec. 26.—A large crowd was on the fair grounds to-day, and the race was a very interesting one. The favorite, J. Deboe, Sakatuck and Cherrie were equal second choices at five. George went out and set a terrific pace nearly all the way, but tired within 50 yards of the wire and the 2-year-old W. J. Deboe, coming fast, nipped her on the post by a head.

Miss Hanover Likes a Distance—W. B. Gates Had a Good Run. Monk Wayman Likes a Distance—W. B. Gates Had a Good Run.

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RAISER MAY ATTEND THE YACHT RACES.

He Is Said to Have Written to the Prince of Wales, Suggesting That They Go Together.

INVITATION MAY BRING THEM.

Semi-official Intimation is Given at London That It Would Be Promptly Accepted.

Should they go they would probably cross the ocean on one of the royal or imperial yachts. The Emperor's great Hohenzollern is the most likely one to be selected for the job as many Atlantic liners, well and seaworthy, and would have the advantage over regular passenger ships of insuring to the distinguished party all the private they desire.

The Kaiser and his uncle would doubtless live on board their yacht during the races, except when paying their formal call upon the President in Washington.

Famous Skipper Says He is Willing to Approve the Design. Captain Frank H. Taylor, skipper of the yacht "The Albatross," is said to be willing to approve the design of a new yacht for the Kaiser's use.

Consomers Won Uphill Match. The Rialto appeared to be right on edge in their match with the Consumers on the Acme alley last night and won the first two games with ease, but the Consumers came back strong in the third, winning it 2 to 1.

Progress of the Work on the New Cap Defender. Bristol, R., Dec. 26.—The work of uncovering the lead keel for the new cap defender, which is in process of construction at the shipyard, is going on rapidly.

Willie Smith Defeated Dave Bell on Christmas Day. In a match game of golf played at Hot Springs, Ark., on Christmas day, Willie Smith, champion, beat Dave Bell, 4 up and 3 to play.

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