

HAVE NO KICK COMING.

The Selling Race War Goes Merrily On at the District Track.

DOWNY TO THE JOCKEY CLUB.

The Winning of The Lark Proved an Unprofitable One for His Owners.

President Williams of the Jockey Club smoked several cigarettes more than usual yesterday and his face was beaming with smiles. "And why not? Six hundred and fifty dollars coming in from an unlooked-for source would have a tendency to make almost any one smile—even the president of a jockey club. The dowry to the jockey club, of which President Williams is guardian, came in the form of bid-up money from the selling races and no doubt was highly acceptable.

The first donation came in the second race, when Charley Baldwin of the upper ten, one of the Blingum boys, just for a lark, doncher know, entered his horse Frounder in a selling race against some goats owned among the lower five. Entered for \$100 he was bid up to \$500, so the deuced funny joke cost Charley \$400, but as the young society man had a swell bet on his horse it probably stood him nothing. The second run-up occurred in the steeplechase event, when J. Talbot Clifton, the Earl of "Blingum," had The Lark entered to be sold for \$100 up to \$1000, and secured him at the latter price. Mr. Clifton felt somewhat fatigued after the trying ordeal, but not nearly so much so as Sam Hildreth, for he refused four or five times that amount for his horse a couple of days ago. Rightly named, the jumper showed a very good deal of spirit, and it was no doubt by a prominent factor in the many other larks held at the San Mateo County "Paree."

Four of the six favorites won, and the other two had a very good showing. Ed Sachs rather startled the ring by pulling off the first race with Tillie S, at even money and Nelson, the one-eyed demon, at 2 to 1. The play was heavy in the race, but entering the stretch tilted to them, Tillie S came on and won handily from Nelson, with Blizard a fair third.

Starting at 6 to 5 in the second race, a six-furlong affair, Frounder was in a drive from the start, and he was in the lead at the end of the half, would certainly have won. Tobey, with 20 to 1 against him, finished third.

The purse hung up for the third race, five furlongs, was \$1000, and the weights, might just as well have been paid over to John Robbins beforehand, for starting a 3 to 10 favorite, Mollie R won galloping from the Julia Martin filly. The leading runner came fast, finishing a close second, and such, by dog-fanciers, are often held without price. There is a dog of this kind in San Francisco, and \$5000 has been offered and refused for him. These fancy figures are not due to the actual worth of the dog, but to the fact that Rolla—for that is the name of the animal—enjoys the distinction of being the only genuine Thibet in America. Three years ago Dr. Tenison Deane purchased this—America—rare animal, a sea captain having brought him from continental Asia. He was a pup then, but he looks very much like a half-grown bear now.

Rolla is a Thibet mastiff, and if now on his native heath would be following the peaceful occupation of guarding cattle, or the more warlike one of playing sentinel for his master's door. The Thibet mastiff is much valued by the inhabitants of that far-off country because of his intelligence and gentleness, as well as fierceness when the occasion arises.

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FOR LEGITIMATE SPORT.

An Aggressive League Formed by the Prominent Turfmen.

MANY SUBORDINATE BRANCHES.

Plans for the Promotion of Many Sports and Business Connected With Them.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, April 9.—The convention of turfmen called to organize a sporting league quickly concluded its business, when it finally got to work this afternoon. The meeting was called to order by Colonel William Edwards of this city, who introduced Major P. P. Johnson, president of the National Trotting Association, as temporary chairman, with W. H. Gocher of Cleveland as secretary.

J. Johnson called attention to the necessity of organizing a league. He said it was not proposed to make the league an aggressive organization. "The very fact," said he, "that we are prepared will make it unnecessary to fight." He said every effort would be made to keep the membership of the league on the very highest plane, and that nobody who was objectionable would be admitted. The committee reported a charter which gives the name of the organization as the American League, and its object to encourage and protect the many sports and the business interests connected with them.

The constitution which was adopted provides for a president, secretary and treasurer and vice-presidents, each State having a subordinate league and also a board of control, consisting of the president and vice-president. The affairs of the league are to be managed by the board of control. There is also to be a general assembly of one delegate from each subordinate league. This assembly shall make all the by-laws, elect the officers and receive reports from the treasurer and secretary. Subordinate leagues must consist of not less than ten members, the membership and officers to be reported to the main league upon its organization. The membership fee is fixed at \$1, but the board of control can in emergencies assess each member in a sum not to exceed \$1 in any one year.

The following officers were elected: President, Major P. P. Johnson of Lexington, Ky.; vice-presidents—W. F. Milliken of Maine, J. M. Forbes of Massachusetts, Hon. W. C. Clark of New Hampshire, Judge Leslie W. Russell of New York, Colonel A. L. Snowden of Pennsylvania, F. S. Goertan of Illinois, Frank McKeen of Indiana, Colonel Z. Clay of Kentucky, Hon. C. L. Benjamin of Michigan, C. R. Allen of Ohio, Norman J. Coleman of Missouri and Colonel A. A. Pope of Connecticut. W. H. Gocher of Cleveland was made secretary.

A fund was raised to pay all the immediate expenses of the league.

RACING IN TENNESSEE.

Very Exciting Finishes at the Memphis and Nashville Tracks.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., April 9.—Four favorites and one second choice finished first to-day. The feature of the day's racing was the Tennessee Club handicap, which was won easily by Ducat. The track was good. Attendance 3000.

Six furlongs, Chiquita won, Hy Rack second, Lucille third. Time, 1:18 1/2.

Four furlongs, Miss Maxim won, Elusive second, Warren Point third. Time, :51.

Tennessee Club handicap, one mile, Ducat won, Prince Carl second, Santiago third. Time, 1:43.

Four furlongs, Lady Inez won, Captive second, Becky Sharp third. Time, :49 1/2.

Seven furlongs, Dick Behan won, Burrell's Billet second, Adolph third. Time, 1:30 1/2.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., April 9.—The track at Cumberland Park was still muddy and threatening weather caused a decrease in the attendance. The last race produced the closest finish of the meeting, Text beating Vida by a nose at the wire.

Five furlongs, Henrietta won, Marion second, Fine Top third. Time, 1:06 1/2.

Four furlongs, Merry Nell won, Gaiety second, Ronidi third. Time, :52 1/2.

Six and a half furlongs, Minnie Coo won, Mollie R second, Millard third. Time, 1:27.

Seven furlongs, Cattarung won, Signora second, One Dime third. Time, 1:32 1/2.

One mile, Text won, Vida second, Address third. Time, 1:50 1/2.

ALASKA BOUNDARY LINE.

Another Survey to Be Made to Determine the Southern End.

TO START NORTH TO-MORROW.

Six Parties Equipped to Establish the Line at Portland Inlet.

As a result of correspondence between the Canadian Government and that of this country another effort is to be made to settle definitely the Alaskan boundary line in the vicinity of Portland Inlet. Superintendent Duifield of the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey at Washington has wired orders instructing surveyors to proceed northward at once. Accordingly Professor George Davidson has been fitting out survey parties, and they will leave on the coast survey steamer Patterson to-morrow at 8 P. M.

The work to be done will not cover the chief point in dispute in the Alaskan boundary controversy, which is whether Forty-mile Creek, a tributary of the Yukon River and the scene of some rich recent gold strikes, is under British or American dominion, but it will fix beyond question the southern end of the line. To attempt to decide the point at issue would necessitate the running of the hundred and forty-first meridian all over again. This meridian is agreed upon as the longitudinal boundary line from Mount St. Elias northward to the Arctic Ocean, and according to the published maps Forty-mile Creek is just to the west of it and therefore in American territory.

There has been a general disagreement, however, between the British and American Governments over the meandering boundary line which runs down the coast from Mount St. Elias to Portland Inlet, following a parallel which is about ten miles from the coast. The British Government holds that the "outside shoreline" should be followed, whereas the American Government has succeeded in having the boundary line follow at the distance mentioned, the "inside shore."

Professor Davidson has fitted out two astronomical and four triangulation parties, which are to co-operate in the waters of the archipelago named. The triangulation will be confined mostly to Portland Inlet and the approaches thereto from Dixon Sound—a difficult task, by the way, owing to the fact that the rocky shores there receive the full force of the ocean swell.

The two astronomical parties will be stationed, respectively, at the Marys Island (just north of Dixon Sound), and Seattle Wash. E. F. Dickens to have charge of the former and Fremont Morse that of the latter. Between these two stations nine chronometers will be carried at intervals of passenger steamers for two months to establish the chronometer longitude of Marys Island, Seattle being connected with San Francisco and Greenwich by telegraph. The Seattle station will occupy the grounds of the old University of the State of Washington. Two of the chiefs of the triangulation parties will come from the East, and will probably unite with their collaborators at Seattle. All the surveying equipment, however, is from this city.

Captain E. K. Moore of the United States navy is in command of the steamer Patterson, and will have charge of the hydrographic and four triangulation parties. Alexander archipelago, extending from Dixon Sound to the head of Lynn canal, in latitude 59 deg. On his trip north he will take the outfit of the land parties, and carry assistants Morse and Dick to their respective destinations. He will also take up with him in tow when he leaves Seattle the survey schooner Earnest, loaded with coal, and the large steam launch, the latter being intended for use in the Portland canal.

ANNUAL SANITARY CONVENTION.

Subjects of Interest to Be Discussed by Prominent Physicians.

Sanitarians and physicians generally are looking forward to the third annual sanitary convention of the State of California, which will convene next Monday in the Academy of Science building.

It is believed that this convention will be in point of apt discussion and able papers by prominent men, be a more important meeting than any of the preceding conventions. Among the subjects that will be taken up and discussed are "Street Sanitation," by Dr. W. F. McNitt, and "The Hospital and Home," by Dr. Samuel O. L. Potter. Dr. S. S. Herrick will read a paper on "Better Instruction in Hygiene in Our Public Schools," while "Purification of Drinking Water Chemically and Microscopically" will be discussed by Professors A. A. Cunningham and Thomas Bowhill. "California and Tuberculosis" will be discussed by Dr. D. A. Hodghead, while "The Ideal City as Viewed from a Sanitary Standpoint" will be read by Dr. W. T. Burgess. Dr. C. V. Orvis will read a paper on "Tuberculosis in Animals and Its Communicability to Man." Dr. William A. Edwards and Dr. Leland E. Coler will discuss the convention paper entitled "Notes on the Hygienic Condition of School Buildings—Some Practical Hints on the Management of School Children." Dr. F. A. Neff's thesis is on "The Role of 'Feteri' in Human Prophylactic Medicine," while "Dairy and Milk Inspection" will be read by Dr. George W. Charles. Dr. W. F. Southard will read a paper on "The Prevention of Infectious Diseases of the Eye," and Dr. L. B. Bards will present a paper on "The Checkrein, Its Uses and Abuses."

There will be many other papers on a variety of subjects of current interest and a large attendance is expected. The public are invited.

BIG REAL ESTATE DEALS.

Property on Market Street.

Claus Spreckels Secures More Valuable Property on Market Street.

The sale of the property at the junction of Market street and Golden Gate avenue by William B. Bourne and wife to Claus Spreckels was closed yesterday and the transfer was made. The property embraces the gore and the building thereon. The lot has a frontage of 154 feet 5 inches on Market street and 152 feet 6 inches on Golden Gate avenue. The width of the lot at the base of the triangle from Golden Gate avenue to Market street is 96 feet 5 inches. The amount of the consideration was four-story frame building which rents for \$275 a month.

WHEELMEN'S INTERESTS.

Entries for the Y. M. C. A. Road Race Next Saturday—Fearing More Suspensions.

The San Francisco Young Men's Christian Association Cycling Club will hold its initial road race next Saturday afternoon from San Mateo to San Carlos, a distance of five miles. The entrants and their handicaps have just been made public, and are as follows:

J. E. Edwards, scratch; Otto Levy, 50 sec.; M. J. Lindsay, 30 sec.; S. J. Sims, 30 sec.; L. A. Myers, 30 sec.; S. J. McKnight, 1 min.; F. J. Edwards, 1 1/2 min.; A. S. Gardner, 1 1/2 min.; L. C. Edwards, 1 1/2 min.; J. A. Keller, 1 1/2 min.; A. Berg, 1 1/2 min.; F. E. Benson, 1 1/2 min.; J. H. Meyers, 1 1/2 min.; G. E. Kerrison, 1 1/2 min.; A. G. Larson, 2 min.; J. Walker Ames, 2 1/2 min.; E. Schenk, 2 1/2 min.

At the regular meeting of the California Cycling Club, held Saturday evening at the rooms of the Olympic Club Wheelmen, an important matter will be brought up relative to future race days. It is proposed to confine the race to class A riders, thus giving the vast army of the class a chance and shutting out the class B men, who are paid to ride by the dealers. Of course opinions are very much divided on such a proposition, and a warm debate is expected.

The Acme Club Wheelmen of Oakland will hold a big run next Sunday to Oak Grove Park in conjunction with their trampers' annex, and an appetizing lunch will be served at about 11 o'clock. The class A riders, who are paid to ride by the dealers, of course opinions are very much divided on such a proposition, and a warm debate is expected.

The California Cycling Club will hold a series of three one-mile handicap races at Central Park on every other Sunday, commencing the 14th inst. On the alternate Sundays club runs will be held to points of interest in adjoining counties.

FOND OF A PAPER DIET.

Peculiar Appetite Cultivated by a Local Dressmaker—Eats Her Favorite Newspaper.

Mrs. De Lyons, a dressmaker at 313 Geary street, probably stands alone for the peculiarity of appetite which she has acquired. She must have her daily allowance of newspaper to eat or she is made uncomfortable for the day. She does not make a set meal of it, but eats and digests the margin of her newspaper at the same time as she is digesting the news.

As she reads she tears off strips of the margin and when she has thus operated near to the printed portion, uses her always convenient scissors to clip it still closer, not minding even if she inadvertently cuts into some of the printed matter, though having, as she says, no particular desire for it.

She apparently finds something to tickle her palate in the strange diet, for she shows a decided preference for the material of the Examiner.

"I don't know when I began the habit," she said in reply to an interviewer's question, "but I can distinctly remember being punished for eating the margin of my schoolbooks when a child."

Mrs. De Lyons is a comely widow and has a daughter of 20 and a son of 17, who reside with her.

"It has never affected my health in the least," she continued. "A peculiar feature of the habit, however, is that I lose all desire for indulging in it as soon as I am at all indisposed."

THE MURSON ESTATE.

William Murson petitioned the Probate Court for letters of administration over the estate of Ellen Francis Murson, valued at about \$15,000. The property consists of jewelry and a piano valued at \$900, a legacy and "Shadow" Maber of Australia made his appearance in a three-round bout with Jim Butler and Alf Hanlan of England fought six rounds at 130 pounds. The first round was decidedly in the Englishman's favor, and Butler's eye was in mourning at the end of it. The judges gave their verdict in favor of the Englishman.

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DR. PLOUF DEAD.

Affecting Meeting With His Sister—McGaughey Will Be Charged With Murder To-Day.

Dr. Plouf, who was recently shot and mortally wounded on Market street, died last night. His assailant, McGaughey, will be charged with murder to-day.

His heart's greatest longing was gratified yesterday morning at 10:45 o'clock, when Mrs. Louise Edwards, his sister, arrived. The meeting between the dying man and the sorrow-burdened woman is described as being inexpressibly sad. Dr. Plouf was gently sleeping when Mrs. Edwards came into the room, but her presence seemed to penetrate the very soul of the wounded and dying sleeper, for with a slight start his eyes slowly opened and rested upon her.

"Louise," softly exclaimed the dying man, feebly rising and stretching out his arms at the same time, "now I can go," and he fell back unconscious. Since then he has been in a perfect stupor and the end is expected at any moment.

Mrs. Edwards left Boston last Wednesday night. The long rapid journey, combined with the knowledge that death hovered near, has completely prostrated her. It is feared that serious illness will result.

Monday another bullet was cut from Dr. Plouf, making two that have been extracted. The last bullet had passed nearly through the body and then worked itself to the surface under the left shoulder. Dr. McClain made a slight incision and secured the ball. It did not show the slightest scratch or indentation, appearing just as when it came from the mold. A few days ago Dr. Plouf was informed that he was dying and likely to go at any moment.

"I am ready to go," he said, "but I will not die until I have seen my sister."

HE IS CAUGHT AT LAST.

Bartels Is Finally Brought Up With a Round Turn at La Paz.

Capture of the Star of Freedom by the Mexican Authorities.

The little schooner Star of Freedom, which was stolen from her moorings on the mud flats nearly two months ago, has turned up at La Paz, Bartels, who ran away with the vessel, has fallen into the hands of the Mexican authorities and has not reached the end of his rope. The robbery was one of the most barefaced acts of barometry ever known on the bay. The Star of Freedom is owned by Captain Johnson, and he left her in charge of a watchman while he went to sea in another vessel. Bartels tried to charter the Star of Freedom, but Johnson, who knew his past record, would have nothing to do with him.

When the owner was away Bartels hypothesized the watchman and the two men sailed away with the schooner.

As the vessel could not be cleared the papers of the schooner Nathalie were stolen. The Mexican authorities, not liking the appearance of the papers, decided to detain the vessel until her captain could give a better account of himself.

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