

Sporting Notes.

"JAY-EYE-SEE" AND "WINSHIP" BEAT THE RECORD.

Providence, Aug. 1.—Jay-Eye-See, on the Narragansett track to-day, surpassed all previous performances, making a mile in 2:10, thus beating his own previous record of 2:10 1/2, and that of Maud S. of 2:10 1/4. The crowd also witnessed the famous black gelding H. B. Winship and mate beat their double-team record of 2:29 1/4, and also that of Frank and mate of 2:51. The postponement of these events from Wednesday was a great disappointment to turfmen in all particulars, and the heavy rains threatened the relinquishment of the exhibition. The genial sunshine and invigorating air to-day, however, were welcomed with widespread enthusiasm, and Trackmaster Griffin speedily brought the circuit into admirable condition, although the surface was not as firm and springy as he desired.

The owners of the favorite horses Jay-Eye-See and H. B. Winship—J. I. Case and J. B. Barnaby—were in the middle tier of the grand stand, with their wives, and watched the events with intense interest.

THE PRELIMINARIES.

The pool booths were in active operation, and betting on the eben trotter was at the odds of \$25 to \$10 that he would beat the record, while Winship and mate were still firmer favorites. The judges selected were: John Shepard of Boston, Frank S. Stevens of Swansea, Mass., and E. G. Windsor of Providence. The first event, the trial of Jay-Eye-See, was promptly called at 3 o'clock. Long before the time set for the beginning of the trials every seat in the enormous grand stand was filled, while every point favorable to a good view of the track had its occupant. Presently there was a movement in the direction of the stables, and Ed. Bithers, the driver of Jay-Eye-See, was seen preparing to jog the little wonder, his purple cap and driving jacket making him a conspicuous figure in the groups in front of the quarters of the horses. Jay-Eye-See was brought out blanketed, and was soon hitched to a sulky. Bithers took his place behind him, and the little flyer, followed by a crowd of admirers, jogged to the gate leading to the stretch.

THE "WARMING-UP" MILE.

As the multitude on the grand stand caught sight of the famous horse a shout of greeting swelled forth, which was taken up by groups in other parts of the grounds, and as the noble animal turned into the stretch, and passed down in front of the judges' stand, the applause rose in a deafening cheer. The circuit of the track was made at easy gait, and, after two or more turns, Bithers signified his intention to go an easy mile to warm up. The announcement was made by the judges, and Jay-Eye-See came down at an easy pace. He went away from the wire trotting evenly, and without a flaw, though, of course, Bithers had to hold him back. He went up to the quarter-post in 0:35. The second quarter was somewhat slower, and he passed the half in 1:12 1/2, and three-quarters in 1:49 1/2, jogging under the wire in 2:22 1/2. The horse was then taken back to the stable to be rubbed down.

THE GREAT TRIAL OF SPEED.

After this came the great event of the day and the greatest event in the history of the trotting turf. Jay-Eye-See came on the track and as he swung into the stretch the judges announced that he would make an attempt to break his record. Jim Murphy, behind his own running horse, was also on the stretch, limbering out, as he was to go a mile with Jay-Eye-See, to give the little flyer courage, and force him to a faster gait, if necessary. After jogging down the stretch once or twice Jay-Eye-See turned at the distance stand and came down the wire for the word. He was working magnificently, and as "Go!" was shouted by Mr. Windsor the little gelding sped away around the turn, with the runner about eight lengths behind. Never did a horse work more evenly than did Jay-Eye-See as he sped around the turn, and it seemed as if he was a piece of machinery and not a thing with life, so perfect was his action. Up to the quarter he went in 0:33 1/2, with the runner trailing four lengths behind, and as he sped into the

straight Bithers cut him loose. Faster and faster were his strides, and it was evident that "Ed" meant to send him at his best.

At the half-mile the watches registered 1:05, a 2:10 gait, and if he could hold his own for the last half all knew that he would accomplish an unprecedented feat. Around the upper turn it seemed as if he was flying, and fast as had been his gait on the back stretch, it was forced up now to something terrific. On and on he went, without suspicion of a break, passing the three-quarter post in 1:39. At this point the runner came up even with the trotter, and now began the final struggle. Down he came without a skip, every stride telling in the momentous race against the fast-flying seconds. Bithers had not yet used his whip. The gallant flyer speeded down to the stand and under the wire.

THE RECORD BEATEN.

There was a momentary bustle and then suddenly the cry "He has done it!" was raised by those among the spectators who had timed him. A loud burst of applause greeted the announcement, only to be followed by a much more enthusiastic demonstration as the board swung around with the record "2-10" upon it. Never on the race-track has there been a scene of wilder excitement than followed the announcement. Hats, canes, handkerchiefs and fans were waved, while men shouted themselves hoarse in cheering the king of the American turf. When Bithers came back to the stand with Jay-Eye-See a magnificent horseshoe of flowers was presented to him, while around him gathered a group of admiring friends offering hearty congratulations. Mr. Case, owner of Jay-Eye-See, was overjoyed and received a shower of congratulations with the plainest manifestations of delight.

With reference to Jay-Eye-See's time, there were necessarily fractional differences. Case and many other experienced time-keepers placing the figures at 2:09 1/4.

ANOTHER UNPRECEDENTED EVENT.

During the time Maxy Cobb was trotting, Winship and mate were on the track warming up for their heat. After circling the track once or twice, the pair came down the stretch, and Jim Golden nodded for the word, and the pair were sent away in good style. Winship trotted around the turn in faultless style, though his mate, Gabe Case, was lagging a little. Up to the quarter they went in 0:30 1/2 without a hitch of any kind. Once in the straight, Golden cut the trotter loose and then the gait was forced up. Although Winship was doing most of the work, and seemed to be pulling the runner, he was at the half in the unprecedented time of 1:01 1/4—a 2:03 gait. Here Golden began to hold Winship for the finish, and the runner was allowed to do a little of the work around the upper turn. The third quarter was covered in 1:34 1/4, and then the team swung into the stretch for the closing struggle. Down they came, Winship pulling his mate so that Golden had to put the whip to the runner to keep him up to his work. Winship was trotting as evenly as clockwork, and as he came under the wire in magnificent form, a shout arose even on the judges' stand, and in a moment deafening applause greeted the announcement of the time—2:06. Thus, Winship and mate have accomplished the great feat of reducing by 2 1/2 seconds the famous record of 2:08 1/2 made by Frank and mate.

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