GOSSIP OF THE HORSES.

ANOTHER HEARING FOR THE PERCY BILL THIS WEEK.

It Is Thought that the Measure Will Be Reported Favorably by the Committee on Codes—Mistaken Idea of the Trotting Horse Representatives—High-priced Thoroughbreds and Trotters, Some of Which Were Monumental Failures—Entries for New Orleans and Arlington.

The hearing of the Percy Racing bill at Albany on Thursday last, by the Committee on Codes, gives the breeders of horses and those interested in the trotting and running turf every reason to believe that the measure will be reported favorably. A further hearing will be given by the committee this week, and it is expected that another delegation of men of standing in both the running and trotting horse world will be on hand to urge the necessity of passing some law for the relief of the sport in New York State.

The Sporting League grows in strength daily in the West and already there is talk of arranging a convention to be held in Cleveland early in April. It is thought that the Jockey Club will lend its influence to the latest movement for obtaining recognition for legitimate sports of all kinds, although the matter has not been formally discussed by that august body as yet. The Driving Club of New York, at a meeting last Friday, discussed the question in all its bearings and appointed President Andrew Miller and W. B. Fasig as delegates to the proposed convention at Cleveland. There was quite a spirited discussion at the meeting as to whether the trotting horse men should work in unison with the Jockey Club in the matter. President Miller was strongly in favor of concerted effort, but Messrs. Rudd and Fasig and other members thought that the trotting element should be represented separately. The impression seems to prevail among the trotting horse men that they are by the provisions of the Percy bill made absolutely dependent upon the Jockey Club, and that they must look for licenses to that body. There is no doubt that this impression is erroneous. Here is a paragraph in the Percy bill which should remove any doubts that may exist as to the functions of the Jockey Club:

In the case of a race course to be used for running races the approval of the Jockey Club, a corporation duly incorporated, organized, and existing under the laws of the State of New York, must be obtained, and said Jockey Club may impose as a condition of such approval the requirement that all races and race meetings to be held pursuant to the powers conferred by this act shall be conducted and held subject to the rules from time to time prescribed by said Jockey Club; such condition shall thereupon be one a part of the charter of such corporation.

The italics given above are ours. All the prominent trotting tracks in New York State are members of the National Trotting Association, and that body should be capable of looking after the welfare of its members better than the trotter to the runner. The Jockey Club is striving to elevate the general standard of racing; it seeks to improve the thoroughbred horse, and it has no wish to meddle with the affairs of the National Trotting Association. There is strength in union, and it believes that it allowers the trotter to the runner and the runner and the trotter to fight shoulder to shoulder in the work of securing legislation.

The delegation at Albany on Thursday was formidable, and men whose names are known everywhere spoke in favor of the measure under consideration. The delegation that will appear before the committee this week should be equally as representative, and should leave no doubt in the minds of the gentlemen who have the matter under consideration of the kind of people who are interested in the perpetuation of an ancient and honorable sport.

The following table from the *Daily Racing Form* of Chicago shows the highest prices on record for thoroughbreds and trotters:

TROTTERS.

Horse.	*Price.*	*Horse.*	*Price.*
Arion	$125,000	Patron	$27,500
Axtell	105,000	Mascot	20,000
Axteen	55,000	Alcazar	25,000
Bell Boy	51,000	Happy Medium	25,000
Stamboul	50,000	Jennie Eddy	25,000
Nancy Hanks	45,000	Wedgewood	25,000
Sunol	41,000	George M. Patchen	25,000
Stamboul	41,000	Fernando	25,000
Acolyte	40,000	Stacey	25,000
Maud S	40,000	Voodoo	24,000
Smuggler	40,000	Sam Purdy	22,000
Pocahontas	40,000	Nutwood	22,000
Rarus	36,000	Edward	20,000
Antevolo	35,000	Rosalind	20,000
Dexter	33,000	St. Julien	20,000
Goldsmith Maid	32,000	Lulu	20,000
The King	31,000	Onward	20,000
Jay Gould	30,000	Belle	20,000
Lady Thorne	30,000	St. Vincent	20,000
Blackwood	30,000	Lady Maud	20,000
Prince Wilkes	30,000	Edward Everett	20,000
Pancoast	28,000	Socrates	20,000
Gov. Sprague	27,500	Constantine	20,000

THOROUGHBREDS.

Horse.	*Price.*	*Horse.*	*Price.*
Ormonde	$150,000	*King Lud	$40,000
St. Blaise	100,000	Lady Primrose	40,000
*The Bard	70,000	*Priam	30,000
*Common	70,000	Lancrate	30,000
*Ormonde	70,000	Wildwick	30,000
*Doncaster	70,000	*Rosicrucian	30,000
*Blair Athol	62,500	Gaiety	30,000
*Kangaroo	60,000	Donna Sconland	30,000
Melton	50,000	Kingston	30,000
*Prince	50,000	*Robbie Noble	31,000
*Friar's Balsam	50,000	Dew Drop	29,500
*Insecticide	43,000	Spendthrift	29,000
*Busy Body	44,000	Spinaway	27,400
*Harvester	43,000	Hindoo	26,000
*Sadoph	40,000	Glaia	25,500
*Scottish Chief	40,000	*Julius Cæsar	25,000
*Petrarch	40,000	Potomac	25,000
*Robert the Devil	40,000	Virgil	25,000
*Flying Dutchman	40,000	Iris	25,000
Kentucky	40,000	Silver King	25,000
Verneuil	40,000	Tremont	25,000
King Thomas	38,000	*Belle of Fortune	24,500
*Hampton	31,000	*Janette	21,000
*Macaroni	35,500	Maxim	21,000
*Beaudesert	35,000	Salvator	20,000
*The Palmer	35,000	*Maximian	20,000
Bolero	35,000	Vista	20,500
*Gladiateur	35,000	Luke Blackburn	20,000
*Silvio	35,000	Duke of Magenta	20,000
Iroquois	34,000	Mortemer	20,000
Tournament	33,500	Sam Lewis	20,000
Rayon d'Or	33,000	Louisburg	20,000
The Earl	30,500		

*English prices.

What an array of disappointed hopes the above list brings to mind. King Thomas wasn't worth $4 as a race horse, and Senator Hearst could never bear the sight of the hungling, big brute. Phil Dwyer gave $35,000 for Bolero and often wondered what possessed him the day he bought him. A. F. Walcott wanted the blaze-faced son of Rayon d'Or, but Mr. Dwyer outpasted him. Mr. Walcott owes Mr. Dwyer at least as good service, for Bolero was one of the rankest counterfeits that ever wore a bridle. Snapper Garrison has always received credit for spoiling him, but he had a white streak long before the Snapper cut him to pieces that fine sunny afternoon in August at Monmouth Park.

Among the trotters Mascott, at $26,000, was a very dear horse for Marcus Daly, and the Montana Copper King subsequently sold him at auction for something less than $1,000. Voodoo, at $24,000, is in the same category with Mascot. Marcus Daly has been a big buyer of high priced horses, both trotters and thoroughbreds, and he spent almost as much money as any body for choice strains of blood for the harem or performers that were able to go out and race for the money. It is not generally known that Mr. Daly offered C. W. Williams $150,000 for his great trotting stallion Allerton. Williams had, two years before, sold Axtell for $105,000, and he demanded $200,000 for the son of Jay Bird, then the king of trotting stallions. His fee that year was $1,000. Allerton will stand this year for $50.

The following is the programme for New Orleans to-day:

First Race—Selling; six furlongs. Charley B., 103; Merrist and Hodgetts, 105; Jockey Prince, Furlong, and Terrapin, 106; Miss Libby, 107; Ralston, 110.

Second Race—Two year-olds; three furlongs. Fanny Wilson, 102; Leasoman, and Lois, 107; Uncle Lew and Kaga, 112.

Third Race—Selling; six furlongs. Daphne and Artisan, 101; Manola and Tope, 104; Henry Cowles, Little Phil, Joyce Lewis, and Silver Prince, 107; Danube, 104; Teddy, Jr., 107; Bellifice, 110.

Fourth Race—Selling; six furlongs. Satellite, 98; Lake Park, Worthington, Brakesmith, Marvin Wedgewood, 103; Bob Haiman, 104; Edgar and Palmepsa, 106; Herman and Grand, 107; Banocas, 110.

Fifth Race—Selling; six furlongs. Ben Harrow, Racket, Nicaragua, and Blue and White, 102; Lay on, 104; Miss Knoxa and Mozzotint, 105; Aeronaut, Primero, Lynhurst, Brainwand Dick, Fort Worth, Fakir, and Taylor Hayden, 110.

This is the card for Arlington to-day:

First Race—Five furlongs, selling. Caroven, King Bird, Traitor, Tumult, Uncle Grande, Altair, J. Morningtight, and Mickeever, 107; Florence L., May K., Matt Allice, and Ellen, 105.

Second Race—Six and a half furlongs. Cadet, Bata, Plaintiff, Prince Klamath, and Prince Albert, 119; Relene gelding and Elizabeth, 116; Lady Danby, 102; Andrew D., 122.

Third Race—Selling; six furlongs. Jersey Pat, 119; Belwood, Kid Blue, and Gray Forest, 109; Gorlinda, 105; Omega, 104; Watch Charm, 99; May E., 94; Gorman and William Penn, 87; Monte Carlo, 84.

Fourth Race—Selling; four and a half furlongs. Benjamin, 124; Hayoma, 119; Clon Lady, 112; Blackaway, 109; Little K. and Little Alice, 107; Jewel, 101.

Fifth Race—Five furlongs. McCormick and Riley Tar, 105; Outsider and Sister Maud, 103; Reunion, Bird Jack filly, and Pocahontas, 100.

Y. M. C. A. Beat the Brooklyn High School at Handball.

The handball contest between representatives of the Brooklyn High School and Y. M. C. A., played last Saturday on the court of the Central branch, 502 Fulton street, Brooklyn, resulted in a complete victory for the Christians. Barley was defeated in two close games. The two-handed match was very interesting. The scores:

Orr, Central Y. M. C. A., defeated Barley, Brooklyn High School, 21—19; Arthur, Central Y. M. C. A., defeated Sheridan, Brooklyn High School, 21—6; Orr defeated Sheridan, 21—9; Arthur defeated Barley, 21—20; Orr and Arthur defeated Barley and Sheridan, 21—13, 21—11.

The teams will play again next Saturday.

FOREIGN YACHTING NEWS.

The Proposed International Rating Rule and the New 90-footer Ailsa Discussed.

The *Field*, in speaking of an international rating rule, says:

"Some of the writers on yachting matters in the French papers rather ridicule the idea of an international rating rule. One writer declares we want such a rule solely for being able to come to a better understanding with the New York Yacht Club about the America's Cup. Another writer objects to an international rule because the Americans might agree with the R. Y. A. in putting a prohibitive tax on centreboards. We do not think there is the least chance of the Americans agreeing to anything of the kind; in fact, when it is realized that a proposal is on foot for stamping out centreboards in this country, a howl will be raised in the United States which will certainly be heard on this side of the Atlantic.

"Another writer insinuates that British designers wish to get the rating rule changed and tightly bound up because Herreshoff, the Boston designer, can beat them under the present rule, and, of course, point to Wenonah, Dakolah, Meneen, &c. We wonder how much of all this is strictly true?"

The same paper, in speaking of Commodore E. M. Brown's steam yacht Sylvia, the new flagship of the New York Yacht Club, says:

"Capt. Arthur H. Clark, of Boston, recently navigated the steam yacht Sylvia, 195 tons, from Queenstown to New York in twenty-three days, having had heavy weather nearly all the way. The fact is noteworthy, because the American master and crew who were sent over by the yacht owner got into Waterford, and left her on the grounds that she was not safe. Whereupon Capt. A. H. Clark came over, and, with a crew of mixed nationalities, has proved that the yacht is thoroughly safe and seaworthy. Capt. Clark formerly resided in London, and is a member of the Royal Thames Yacht Club. Capt. Clark first became known to English yachtsmen in 1866, when he brought to Cowes the little sloop Alice, 54 feet over all, 17 feet 6 inches beam, and 7 feet draught aft and 2 feet 3 inches forward. He offered to sail any British yacht for a £100 cup, but no match took place, mainly on account of the tonnage and time allowances, the owner of Alice wishing to sail on a length measurement only."

Lloyd's List thus speaks of the new Fife 90-footer Ailsa says:

"The new racing cutter Ailsa, which was launched at the end of last week by Messrs. A. & J. Inglis of Pointhouse, Glasgow, is a notable addition to the yacht-racing fleet. She has been built to the order of Mr. A. Barclay Walker of Warrington—who last season owned the 20-rater Thelma—and has been designed by Mr. William Fife, Jr., of Fairlie, N. B. It may be said that on the top the Ailsa is a facsimile of the 20-rater Lena, and, on the other hand, that she is quite unlike anything previously modelled in regard to underwater form. She is about 8½ feet shorter on the load water line than the Satanita and about a foot longer than the Britannia, while her sail area will far exceed that of the Prince of Wales's cutter, and will be about equal to that of the American cutter Vigilant. The Ailsa is 125 feet over all, about 89½ feet on the water line, upward of 20 feet beam, and her total sail area will be about 11,500 square feet, and her rating, according to Yacht Racing Association measurement, about 22. The Vigilant's sail area was exceeded by the America. Cup was 12,230 square feet, Yacht Racing Association rating, and the Valkyrie's 10,800 square feet. The main boom of the Ailsa is about 95 feet long, and it has been hollowed. It is not expected that Ailsa will be able to sail in the first match for Cannes on March 1, but she will probably oppose the Britannia in the race for the Ogden trophy and Gordon Bennett Cup on March 4.

"The Ailsa set sail from Gourock Bay for Cannes at noon on Thursday afternoon under trysail jib and staysail, and with a strong wind from the southeast she made rapid tracks down the Clyde with checked sheets. She is in charge of Tom Jay, and has a crew of thirty hands all told.

"The Paris *Figaro*, on Wednesday, Feb. 13, says it is ridiculous to imagine that the recent circular with reference to foreign yachts using French naval stations was intended for a moment to prevent British yachts from anchoring in French waters. The circular applies to Toulon, Marseilles, Cannes, Cherbourg, Brest, &c. The naval authorities have only applied this rule to foreign yachts in regard to the military portion of the harbors, and the same rule exists in England with reference to navy yards and arsenals. Admiral Arthur Humann, chief of the general staff at the Ministry of Marine, says, with reference to the new regulations for foreign yachts: We cannot give them free access to our naval arsenals, but we never dreamt of forbidding yachts of any nationality from anchoring outside. French yachts are the only ones which are authorized to cast anchor or make fast to the buoys placed for Government vessels. Any English, American, or other foreign vessels can enter such ports as Toulon, Brest, &c., provided they do not intrude on the section specially reserved for the navy and privileged French yachts. At the same time yacht owners must not lose sight of the laws on espionage, which expressly provide that no photographs of forts, batteries, and the like shall be taken by an unauthorized person. That is what the prohibition practically amounts to."

Harlem Yachtsmen Preparing for Their Decoration Day Regatta.

The Regatta Committee of the Harlem Yacht Club have decided to invite the following clubs to take part in their twelfth annual regatta, to be held on Decoration Day: New York, Atlantic, Larchmont, Seawanhaka Corinthian, Corinthian, Mosquito Fleet, Indian Harbor, Horseshoe Harbor, American, Hempstead Harbor, Sea Cliff, Riverside, Roton Point, Shelter Island, Nassau, Huntington, Stamford, New Rochelle, Waterside, Cedar Point, New Haven, Knickerbocker, Brooklyn, Pavonia, Jersey City, Yonkers Corinthian, New York Athletic, Doylestown, and Columbia.

The committee have laid out entirely new club courses, starting from an imaginary line between Belden Point dock and Old Tom buoy, to and around the stakeboat off Throgg's Neck, to Matinicock buoy, to Belden Point dock, a distance of about seven nautical miles. Another course of sixteen nautical miles from Belden Point dock direct to Matinicock buoy and return, and a course for small boats of about twelve nautical miles, from Belden Point dock to a stakeboat off Throgg's Neck, to Old Hen buoy and return to Belden Point.

A New Centreboard for the Vigilant.

PROVIDENCE, Feb. 24.—Work was begun on a new centreboard for the Vigilant at Herreshoff's on Friday. The board will be of Tobin bronze and practically of the same shape as the one lost overboard in English waters.

Trapshooters Are Busy—Brewer and Class Matched.

The members of the New Utrecht Rod and Gun Club enjoyed another day's sport at the trapshoot Saturday, the events being decided at the club's grounds, Woodlawn Park, Gravesend. The scores were very close. They were as follows:

First Event—Club shoot, handicap; ten live birds each; entrance fee, $5; cost of birds extra. Class A—Charles A. Sykes, 29 yards, 5; Cornelius Ferguson, Jr., 30 yards, 5. Class B—Walter F. Sykes, 29 yards, 5. Class C—Dr. Pool, 26 yards, 7; Dr. Sheppard, 26 yards, 8.

Second Event—Handicap sweepstakes at five birds each; entrance fee $2, cost of birds extra. Dr. Pool, 27 yards, 4; Charles A. Sykes, 29 yards, 4; Cornelius Ferguson, Jr., 30 yards, 4; Dr. Sheppard, 27 yards, 3.

Third Event—Handicap sweepstakes, same conditions. Dr. Sheppard, 27 yards, 5; Cornelius Ferguson, Jr., 30 yards, 4; Dr. Pool, 27 yards, 3; Charles A. Sykes, 29 yards, 3.

A tie score marked the club shooting competition of the Bell Gate Gun Club, which was decided on Saturday at Recreation Park, Long Island City. Col. John H. Voss and Philip Woelful tied, each man falling to break one target. The scores:

Club Competition—Ten targets each, scores to count in the yearly averages and for the possession of the club championship medal, rise sixteen yards. Col. John H. Voss, 9; Philip Woelful, 9; Louis L. Shortemeier, 8; Frederick Trostel, 8; Eugene Doscher, 8; Charles W. Matsen, 8; Charles W. Webber, 7; Herman W. Voss, 7; John J. Schlicht, 7; August Kiecke, 7; August Richard Rogan, 7; Emil Peterson, 7; John Lehm, 6; Robert Linder, 6; William Rabenstein, 6; Frederick H. Fraenznick, 5; John Stratmann, 6; John P. Dangenfelser, 5; August K. Kuehl, 5; Charles Inter, 5; William R. Rogan, 5; Joseph Doeger, 4; Charles Rabenstein, 4; John Neumann, 3; Charles Reiger, 3; Edward Mardensel, 3; George H. Schroeder, 2.

Capt. John L. Brewer has arranged a series of three matches with Frank Class of Morristown, N. J. They will take place on March 13, 14, and 15 at Erb's grounds, Newark. The conditions are 100 live birds each, thirty yards rise and fifty yards boundary, American Shooting Association rules are to govern. The stakes will be $100 a side, the loser to pay for the cost of birds. Erb has made a wager with Class that the latter will not kill fifty birds straight in any of the matches.

The Veronicas' Lively Stag.

Boxing was the main attraction at the regular monthly stag of the Veronica A. C., held in their rooms, 522 West Twenty-sixth street, on Saturday night. Johnny Murphy, the Boston bantam, was the referee. Four six-round bouts and one eight-round bout made up the programme. The first pair to enliven the sports were Chris Dobbs, Decatur A. C., and Billy Smith, Pastime A. C., at 115 pounds. They fought a six-round draw. Paddy Kelly, Veronica A. C., and J. Brophy, Imperial A. C., were the next pair. They weighed in 125 pounds. It was give and take for six rounds, and an extra round was ordered. Then the "go" was called a draw.

Paddy Griffin, a very wiry Irishman, and G. Clark, put up the best mill of the night. They weighed 135 pounds. In the third round Clark was on the verge of going to sleep when the referee stopped it and announced Griffin as the winner. A very scientific "go" was the one between Eddie Hayes and Harry Stivers, a stocky colored boy. The judges said it was a draw. The eight round bout was between Barney Duffy, Lynwood A. C., and "Reddy" Burns, Hudson A. C. They were bantams. Neither knew anything about boxing. Burns wanted to quit in the sixth round, and Duffy nearly collapsed when the affair was decided a draw.

TROTTING HORSE MEN GLAD

THEY THINK THE OUTLOOK FOR 1895 IS VERY BRIGHT.

Owners and Trainers at Fleetwood Park Yesterday Jubilant Over the Big Entry List for the Grand Circuit Meeting—Something About the Flyers Now Being Prepared for the Campaign.

There was a sort of jollification meeting yesterday around the stove in the club house at Fleetwood Park. Quite a number of members of the Driving Club took advantage of the fine weather to drive out to the old track in Morrisania and exchange congratulations with each other on the score of Fleetwood's record-breaking entry list for the Grand Circuit trotting meeting of 1895. Everybody connected with the club was in high spirits over the flattering outlook for trotting in New York next season, and all agreed that with the remarkable number of strictly high-class horses engaged in the stakes already closed, good weather is now the only thing needed to assure the complete success of the August meeting, both financially and from a racing standpoint.

Some of the trainers who had entered their trotters and pacers in the heavily filled stakes were not so jubilant over the outlook before them. John P. Gibbs has a genuine, good racehorse in Cephas, who trotted the half-mile track at Goshen last season in 2:14¾, but Gibbs said yesterday, half in earnest, that after looking up the last year's performances of the thirty-five trotters entered against him in the 2:15 stake he couldn't see his way clear to beat a single one in the lot. With Red Rod, Queechy, Arena, Colonel Owen, Psyche, and as many more improving flyers in the field it is indeed a formidable one, but the early season is pretty certain to work many changes in form among the most promising trotters in the lot, and like enough the race will be won by some apparently outclassed outsider, just as the 2:14 stake last season was captured by stout Fanny Wilcox, a local mare in John Shillinglaw's stable that at this time in 1894 looked to be hopelessly outclassed when pitted against Jennie K., Cartridge, Oro Wilkes, Miss Lida, and a dozen other cracks. If the experience of last year is a fair criterion there is not much cause for local trainers to feel alarmed at the outlook, for no stake race of the Grand Circuit meeting in 1894 brought to the post more than ten starters, although there were upward of fifty original nominations in some of the events.

Now that the Fleetwood stakes have closed and the backbone of winter is broken, interest is beginning to be taken in the trotters at the track. All the trainers are giving their horses stiff jogging exercise daily, and within a month, or a little longer, the spring training season will be under full swing, with more horses and more drivers on the grounds than ever were there in the past. John Kelly, Aaron Fowler, Edwin Bithell, J. Malcolm Forbes, Harry Fleming, Fred W. Noble, John Daly, "Kingpin" McCarthy, Jerome Whipley, L. H. Ford, John Monaghan, and George Martin are some of the men who will have public stables this year. Several of them are already at Fleetwood, while others expect shortly to occupy their stables.

At present Fred Noble has one of the most notable strings at the track, including Sabina, 2:13¾; Chester, 2:17¾; Hilda S., 2:19¾, and a number of promising young horses with no records. Sabina is entered in the stake at Fleetwood, and although somewhat thin in flesh when she came into Noble's stable a few weeks ago, she is well bred to her trainer. The daughter of Sable Wilkes was a good mare when John Goldsmith gave her a record of 2:13¾ in 1893, and she was as fast as ever early last year, John Driscoll having driven her a mile close to 2:15, it is said, on the Parkway half-mile track before he met with an accident which laid him up for the season. She is in the 2:19 stake. She sold for $3,200 at auction last month and is generally looked upon as the making of a faster trotter than Stamboul, her sire, now has to his credit. Noble's new pacer, Gem D., is another very likely horse. He was purchased a few weeks ago from Dr. J. W. Day of Waterloo, N. Y., for about $2,000, and $2,000 is the price of a 2:10 prospect in these times of low prices for horses. Gem D. is by Kaiser, 2:23¾, the son of George Wilkes. He was campaigned last year without getting a record, but second money was nearly always within his reach. He is a wiry, racy-looking four-year-old colt, full of snap and speed. Ruralist, another four-year-old, is a trotter by Axtell, 2:12, out of Quinipet, a full sister to the old-time champion three-miler Huntress, by Volunteer. He is a big, burly colt, closely resembling his sire in conformation and style. E. L. Hertel bought him last year for $350 at one of William H. Fahey's auction sales, and within less than a month's work Ruralist trotted a half mile in 1:15. Noble also has Edith Wilkes, a brown mare by Wilkes spirit, Jr., that is entered in the 2:25 class at Fleetwood, and Diana, a long-bodied, strong-muscled black mare by Artillery, 2:21¾, out of Lillie Clay, by Black Harry Clay.

John Monaghan's stable is made up for the most part of young trotters without records, although he has the celebrated stallion Allerton, record, 2:18, and Alcyone, and a two-mile trotter Baby, 2:22¾, among others. Two two-year-olds in his string are thought to be the making of good ones. One is a black colt by Alcantara, 2:23, that came from J. W. Daly's M. L. Kiser farm, and Baby Bee, a black filly by Norval, 2:14¾, out of Napoleon Belle, 2:27½, by Ambassador, 2:21¾.

The pacing filly Little Barefoot, by Repetition, 2:18¼, out of the old mare Lady Barefoot, 2:29¾, that trotted second to Oliver K., in 2:18¼ at Cleveland some years ago, is one of the best of Jerome Whipley's lot. She worked in 2:18¼ last season as a three-year-old. Whipley also has two other fillies from the same dam; a three-year-old Baby Barefoot, by Repetition, and a yearling by Guy Wilkes, 2:15¾, by Egbert, three-year-old, owned by Gen. Jacob Ruiz. Fowler will soon have a number of other horses which he expects to campaign through the early spring circuit, beginning on May 6 at the Arlington park meeting.

Frank Fleming is working eleven horses, and he has some prospective money winners in San Pedro, 2:14¾; Frank B., 2:18, and Scud, the two-year-old full sister to Don Lowell, 2:14¾, all of which he intends to start in the Baltimore, Philadelphia, and New York stakes. Arnold and Magnolia, a finely matched pair of chestnut mares by Elyria, The son of Mambrino King; Astrea, a bay mare by Alfonso, 2:22¾; Bella Wilkes, a bay mare by Brown Wilkes; Ruddie Hill, a four-year-old filly, by Young Jim, and Joshua Whitcomb, a five-year-old bay gelding, by Aristos, 2:27¾, are the green ones in Fleming's string. Besides these he has Horace Ingersoll's speedy stallion Colonel Kip, 2:24¾, by Aristos, and the bay mare Snipetone, by Cyclone, that took a record of 2:24¾ at Mineola last year.

Knapsack McCarthy's string is small but select. He is conditioning the fast horse Cobweb, 2:12, that was recently sold by J. Welch to Monroe Salisbury, and will have the chestnut son of Richard Rogan, 2:11, Emil Peterson, 2:12, and the pacer Paul, 2:09¾, after in the season.

Cephas, 2:14¾, is the star of John P. Gibbs's stable. He is entered at Fleetwood in the 2:15 stake, and Gibbs will probably take him through the spring circuit along with some others from his stable. Jesse, 2:21, by Demulion, 2:21; Wax, 2:26¾, and the pacer Nick Erwin, that went a mile in 2:10¾ last year, are other fast ones in Gibbs's stable. He also has Harry Dizey, by Happy Medium; Altamont, by Piedmont; Laval, by Lavsland, and a lot of good undeveloped two-year-olds.

L. H. Ford occupies the snug stables south of the grand stand that were fitted up many years ago by Thomas Wallace when Whitestockings and Harry were on the turf. In Ford's stable are Vera, 2:18¾, by Steinway, 2:08¼; Earlight, a fast bay mare by Earl, 2:23¾; Evaline, a three-year-old filly by Patchen Wilkes; Dolly Medium, by Happy Medium, Jr., and Golden Fearnaught, a bay gelding by Goldenbow. Hurd expects to take in the spring meetings at Baltimore, Philadelphia, and New York.

Eden Wins Two More Skating Races at Hamar.

CHRISTIANIA, Norway, Feb. 24.—In the amateur skating tournament at Hamar to-day J. J. Eden of the Netherlands won the 1,500-metre race in 2 minutes 22 2-5 seconds, and the 5,000-metre race in 8 minutes 41 seconds. Oscar Fredriksen of Christiania won the 500-metre dash in 48 1-5 seconds, with Eden second in 48 2-5 seconds.

Besides the championship gold medal, Eden received a splendid prize given by King Oscar.

BOSTON'S RACE MEETING.

Representative Men to Give a Great Five Days' Meeting.

BOSTON, Feb. 24.—Several of the wealthy men of this State, who are interested in the development of the running horse, both from the standpoint of sport and that of breeding, and who for some time have desired a higher class of racing than that provided by the present racing associations in this State, have leased the Saugus track for a five days' running meeting beginning May 18. A guarantee fund already has been subscribed, and among those who are interested in the new association are J. Murray Forbes, J. Malcolm Forbes, Bayard Thayer, Col. John E. Thayer, Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, Malcolm W. Thomas. That the best class of horses from New York State and the West may be attracted to this meeting, it is the intention of this association to offer purses of $1,000 to $2,000 each. It is stated that several of these purses have been subscribed.

First-class meetings for the light harness horse are held every week during the season on the New England circuit, but a high-class running meeting is an experiment in this section of the country. For this reason the meeting will last only five days. If it is proved that the public will give support to the long-tails, it is the intention of these men to follow the May meeting with another.

In New York State and the West the breeders of the runner have up to this year received encouragement from liberal laws on pool selling. In this State the promoters of race meetings will have to depend upon the public for support, as the purse will have to be paid exclusively from the gate receipts. James O. Gray, the manager of the Saugus track, has leased the track for the running meeting with the understanding that there will be no books made on the grounds.

LOOKS PROMISING FOR LACROSSE.

Efforts to Place the Game Upon a Solid Basis at the Big Universities.

The prospects of a clear field and spring breezes are beginning to warm up the latent lacrosse fever among the students of Stevens Institute, and the attendance at gymnasium practice has increased so that the little space allotted to that purpose is taxed to its utmost. Last Wednesday the continued thaw permitted outdoor work on the campus, and the men showed up in admirable form, considering the early date. Many promising candidates were in evidence and proved themselves splendid mud horses. Everything considered, the situation is very satisfactory, and judging from the following statement, quoted from a letter recently received from an old lacrosse enthusiast, there are good reasons for supposing that the game is on the boom:

Lacrosse prospects were never more promising in the United States than at present, and the coming season bids fair to see the game placed upon a solid foundation as one of the representative sports of our great universities and colleges. The spirit of professionalism, which injured the game when fostered principally by the rival athletic clubs in the East, has been thoroughly suppressed, and lacrosse has assumed a more conservative intercollegiate condition of government, and this advancement has been greatly facilitated by the enthusiastic and sportsmanlike support received at the hands of the Crescent Athletic Club of Brooklyn. The proposition to send a picked intercollegiate team to Canada this summer, which was so favorably discussed at the last Convention of the association, has caused additional interest to be taken in this healthy and invigorating sport.

Lacrosse has for many years been the favorite sport of the students of Stevens Institute. Baseball has become entirely obsolete, and will probably never be resuscitated except in inter-class contests. For two of the past three seasons the efforts of the Stevens lacrosse team have been rewarded by championship honors, and it is with the hope of retaining these that an extra effort is being put forth to tune the men up to their wonted form. Captain Orange, game next Thursday, followed by that with the Crescents before the Cycle Club of Brooklyn, will enable the coachers to judge of the value of the new material and of the consequent strength of the team. The principal trouble will be the insufficient development of comparatively green men, for lacrosse offers a great field for the display of skill, which can only be acquired by long and constant practice.

The athletes of Stevens school, which adjoins the Institute, are now busily preparing for several intersholastic meets which will be held in the armories of New York. A lacrosse team has been organized and will represent the school under the charge of Capt. Kelly.

M'MAHON WINS AT HANDBALL.

Rousing Play at Manhattanville and Other Homes of the Fine Old Game.

Jerry McMahon of Brooklyn carried off a big slice of the "club day" honors by cleverly capturing the stakes from Mike Landy at the Manhattanville handball court. He had only one game to win. Play at the other courts was brisk and enjoyable, the cracks being on their mettle with a view to coming matches. The day's scores were:

AT THE MANHATTANVILLE COURT.

Bernard Brophy			21	21	17—39
Michael Cashman			5	16	21—42
J. Clark and P. McGrath			21	16	21—18—79
D. Howard and W. Howard			13	18	8—39
J. Jordan and E. Leighan			21	21	21—63
W. Delany and D. Howard			16	12	7	21—56
H. Brophy and M. O'Connell			21	21	21	84
J. O'Connell and W. P. Cashman			14	17	19	16—66
T. Mitchell and J. Murphy			21	17	21—59
D. McKnight and W. Carroll			16	21	20—57
Michael Cashman and J. Boyle			21	18	21—60
Jerry McMahon			18	18	21—57
T. Gallagher and J. Garvey			21	21	16	17—75
M. McMahon and M. O'Donnell			12	17	21	21—71
M. Breen and J. Hanlin			21	21	21—63
G. Howard and D. Howard			12	21	16—49
W. Cashman and E. Hoffman			16	21	21—58
C. O'Leary and T. Fay			21	17	16—54

AT THE JERSEY CITY COURT.

F. Dinlgan and J. Lyons			21	21	14	16—72
J. Gallagher and E. O'Connor			9	19	21	21—70
J. Mulligan and P. Burns			19	21	21—61
E. O'Connor and J. Ryan			21	14	18—53
M. Whelan and J. Flaherty			21	21	16—58
J. Egan and J. Maxwell			16	14	21—51
F. Flaherty and E. Flicke			21	17	21—59
J. Flaherty and J. Flaherty			21	21	21—63
T. Harley and J. Egan			21	11	21—53
M. Whelan and T. Connors			17	21	18—56
J. Lyons and J. Murphy			21	17	21—59
C. McCarty and G. McCabe			19	21	14—54
J. Flaherty and J. Moran			13	21	21—55
M. Egan and T. Connors			21	18	20—60

AT THE SOUTH BROOKLYN COURT.

W. Begley and J. Cunniff			21	20	21—62
F. Dolan and P. Mitchell			19	21	18—58
R. McCauley and P. Mitchell			21	18	21—60
F. Dooley and F. Dolan			16	21	19—56
M. Stanton and J. Powers			21	21	20—62
P. Powers and F. Connolly			14	21	21—56
M. Feeney and E. Welsh			21	21	21—63
M. Kearns and M. Wilson			18	16	19—53
F. McCauley and F. Donnelly			21	16	21—58
J. Green and C. De Cantillion			18	21	14—53
J. Ward	21	21	20	19	21—102
B. Flanagan	18	16	21	21	18—94
J. Horan	21	21	21	21	21—105
T. Cunniff	18	21	14	19	11—83
P. Powers	21	21	21—63
J. Schick and P. Dooley	18	14	16—48
C. De Cantillion	21	20	21—62
F. McCauley	19	21	18—58
M. Feeney	21	21	21—63
M. Tighe	16	14	19—49

AT THE WILLIAMSBURGH COURT.

P. McGovern	21	15	21—57
M. McCormick and D. Griffin	13	21	12—46
F. Griffin	18	21	21—60
R. Griffin	21	19	15—55
T. Greeley	21	18	21—60
M. Loughlin	17	21	18—56
F. Kelly and J. Connors	21	21	21—63
W. Burke and G. Terera	19	21	21—61
J. Murphy and M. Loughlin	21	17	21—59
M. McCormick and F. Kelly	15	21	16—52
T. Langan	21	21	18—60
R. Mallon	16	18	21—55
T. Curley	21	21	17—59
E. Stott	21	19	21—61
J. Clark	21	21	21—63
D. Griffin	15	14	12—41
J. Creamer and J. McGowan	21	19	21—61
W. Nash and T. Maniggan	18	21	14—53
P. McGovern	21	21	18—60
W. Nash	18	17	21