

THE TURF.

The report that August Belmont is going to retire from the turf is premature. Belmont has, the paper, said to be moving quarters at an amazing rate, and Johnson's record is said to be in danger.

Another shrewd bet is that Tommy, the Suburban favorite, was Burefoot, the hottest English Derby favorite on record.

Pierre Lorillard will buy racing stock from the Duke of Portland's stud under condition that he is not to race in England.

The very people that last year were denouncing Murphy could not ride a horse in an hour, but they rode that year in the Suburban and the match with Keny, are saying that he is the greatest living scribe in the pluck.

According to the Australian papers the fastest miler ever trotted in that country was Billy, by the constant stallion Honey, by Brian. Honey was a record of 1:10 to America. He was disposed of at a late sale in Sydney for \$5,100.

George Taylor has been for some time a more or less popular jockey, but as he rides so many winning races, as he has lately, he will become the popular favorite, says Bergen, Hamilton and some others. The public is now more fickle in this than in most respects.

There seems to be a lamentable want of harmony in action between the eastern and western racing associations as regards the enforcement of the sentences on delinquent jockeys. It creates an exceedingly bad precedent to ignore the rulings of any track of good standing and may lead to serious complications in the future.

Within a radius of five miles of Nashville, \$5,000,000 would not cover the value of the horses and the means for taking care of them. The present breeding establishments are Belle Meade, Hermitage, Stud, Melrose, Morrowdale, Maplewood, Whitlands, Two Rivers, Clinton, Oak Hill, Springbrook, Ewing, Haystack and Heart of Oaks.

That Arlet and Smol will meet in one race and possibly three before the season is almost an assured fact. The champion stallion will be in condition before September, although Doble finds that he still possesses his wonderful burst of speed, while Marvin gave the public a line on Smol recently when he sent her a quarter in 31 1/4 seconds.

The Park theatre, Brooklyn, has been reconstructed at an expenditure of \$50,000. Clara Morris has been playing "Helen" back to the author, Martha Morton, and decided not to use it any more.

The minister George A. Fox has prohibited the playing of Tolstoy's comedy, "Theruits of Enlightenment," in the Russian theatres.

The annual profits of the "Pension Play" at Oberammergau amount to \$20,000, which sum must be divided among 700 persons.

Allice Dunning Liguand is to come to America next year, bringing her own London company and appearing in a repertoire of society comedies.

George Panofsky, an English actor, well known in the United States years ago and for a time a member of the stock company of the Boston theatre, is now keeping a restaurant near Yokohama, Japan.

The fourth year of "The Old Homestead" at the Assembly of Music, which begins in October, will be marked by the introduction of a revolving scene. Other new and attractive features will also distinguish the production.

An Italian version of Ballo's "Bohemian Girl" is announced for next season at the Grand Opera. The new opera, which reviews of Mozart's "Flauto Magico" and Puccini's "Cecilia" are also presented as specimens of the old style of opera.

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Senators Call, of Florida, is a Kentuckian by birth. He is 6 feet tall, weighs about 200 pounds, and is erect, dignified and courteous.

Lord Randolph Churchill can answer the question, "Who reads an American book?" with the prompt reply "I do," for he is said to have a particular fondness for American novels.

Charles Stewart Parnell is a close reader of American newspapers and American literature generally. Balfour, chief secretary for Ireland, is also an omnivorous reader of American newspapers.

Col. Sir Edward Bradford, the new chief commissioner of the London police, is a very distinguished military officer and was one of the most celebrated sportsmen of the British army.

Young Coningsby Dismal, the nephew and heir of the late Lord Beaconsfield, is developing into a stout speaker. In personal appearance he much resembles the early portraits of his famous uncle.

Cardinal Manning owns a small farm, on which he daily receives his vegetables and such vegetables and fruits as are in season. The library is his working and living room, and here he always finds for his decreased vitality a most refreshing and invigorating tonic.

There is a family in France named B. one in Belgium named O. a river in Holland called T. a village in Sweden named A. while the most valued bird in the Sand-wich Islands is the O. T. A. B.

Precious stones are much more widely distributed than formerly. There are many families who own property to the value of a million, while few wealthy people had even \$100,000 invested in diamonds ten years ago.

According to a recent issue of the case of Russia no person who is not of the Christian faith will be allowed to serve on a jury unless by the special approval of the minister of the interior and of the minister of justice.

The philosopher Thales, of Miletus, 600 B. C., noticed that when he walked on a wet pavement he slipped, and he concluded that the wet pavement was the cause of his slipping.

A committee of learned professors, appointed for the purpose, have decided that the continental jubilee of the city of Odessa in the year 1900 should begin on May 27 (June 6), the day on which Catherine II issued the ukase that "the city of Odessa be established."

It is Not Certain. A college boy at Adrian undertook to ride a bucking broncho. The broncho bucked and kicked and cavorted and stood on both ends by turns, and a citizen had the boy arrested for cruelty to animals.

Exchange of Courtesy. Thin Old Man (cramped and cross)-This car ought to charge by weight. Stout Woman (regarding him contemptuously)-If they did they'd never stop to pick you up.-New York Ledger.

Horribly Irreverent. A very wicked young person, to whom an admirer of Breen showed the woman's photograph, said, with a lofty sneer: "If you wish a real good picture of a Marabout monkey why don't you get one?"-Boston Herald.

The trustees of Cornell university have decided to award the thirty-six university scholarships for only two years in future, instead of four years. At the end of that period the scholarships will be given for the remaining two years of the course to the students who have done the best average work during the first two years. The scholarships are worth \$500 a year.

DAUGHTERS OF EVE.

Mrs. Houghton, a real estate dealer at Spokane Falls, Wash., is said to have made \$500,000 in four years.

Mrs. Glimmer, wife of the famous bandmaster, arranges most of the music for the band, and in many ways assists her husband in his professional work.

Miss Nellie By is the author of an interesting historical work, "Around the World in Seventy-two Days," which contains a graphic description of her recent trip.

Oliver Schreier, the author of "An African Farm," has, it is said, a library for raw meat. She takes her beefsteak just warm enough to remove the effects of the ice box.

One of the most noted Kansas belles is Miss Clark, of Leavenworth. She is a beautiful woman, with a perfect complexion and a beautiful mouth, which reveals pearly teeth.

Miss Helen Reed, who won the Sergeant prize at Harvard for the best translation of an ode from Horace, is a tall girl of the brunette type, with large, dark eyes. Her voice is low and sweet.

Miss Lillian Blanche Fearing, the only lady of the 1800 graduating class at the Union College of Law in Chicago, is entirely blind. Her mother has been her constant companion during her course, and read from the books to her.

Mrs. Hechtman is said to be the oldest woman lobbyist in Washington. She has interested herself in the case of the prisoners of the Penitentiary, and in all sorts of reforms of the general laws looking toward the relief of oppressed classes.

Cora Myrtle Carpenter, of Hannibal, Mo., known as "the child medium," is 14 years of age, and is creating a sensation in the west by her "medium" lectures. She talks learnedly on subjects suggested by her audience, such as "Progression," "Why We Live," "The Future of the World," etc.

Ida Lewis, at Newport, is the only woman lighthouse keeper in the country, and the last, it is said, to whom will be given a light by government. It is said that she is a perfect housewife, and is perfectly attended to in her, and the government inspector always gives her an unusually high report every year.

According to a pretty English custom the Duchess of Portland was offered by her husband a superb necklace of rare pearls, but she declined the gift, and asked to have her money value built up into new almshouses on the estate for the benefit of sick or infirm tenants.

EQUIVALENTS OF BIBLE UNITS. A cubit was nearly 22 inches. A bit was 1 gallon and 2 pints. Ezekiel's rod was nearly 11 feet. A finger's breadth is equal to 1 inch. A day's journey was about 23 1/2 miles. A piece of silver or penny was 12 cents. A man's breadth is equal to 2-8 inches. A mile was less than a quarter of a glass. A pint of gold was \$1,000 and of silver \$500.20.

A shekel of gold was \$2 and a shekel was 7 cents. An ephah or bath contains 7 gallons and 3 pints. A Sabbath's day's journey was about an English mile. A shekel of silver was about 50 cents and a farthing was 7 cents.

FACTS ABOUT AMBER. Under the stratum of trees is found pyrites, sulphate of iron and coarse sands, in which are rounded masses of amber. The largest amber mines in the world today are along the Baltic, between Kolpinberg and Memel, on the Prussian coast.

The Romans discovered the true nature of amber, that it is a fossilized vegetable gum, and therefore gave it the name of succinum, or gum stone. Amber is sparingly cast on the Swedish and Danish coasts, and is also picked up along the shores of Norfolk, Essex and Sussex in England.

The great source of the supply of amber is the Baltic, between Kolpinberg and Memel, on the Prussian coast, from which the supplies of commerce still continue to be drawn. Amber was regarded by the ancients with superstitious reverence because of its unknown origin and on account of its electrical phenomena which it exhibited.

Large quantities of amber are thrown up from the sea on the Baltic and Prussian coasts, and an obtaining amber from the sea is a regular industry, giving employment to large numbers of people. The most beautiful specimens of amber are said to be the pieces which are picked up along the shores of Norfolk, Essex and Sussex in England.

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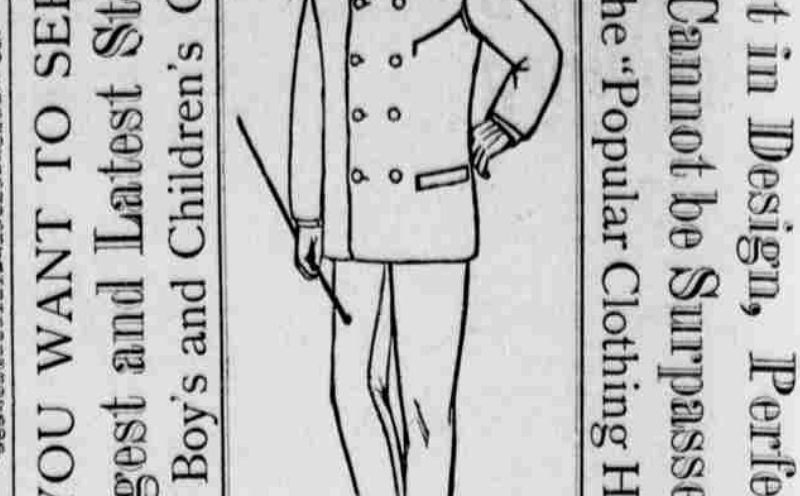
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