

ROYAL THAMES NATIONAL REGATTA.—THE START FOR THE GOLD CUP.

TUESDAY.—The Regatta commenced on Tuesday, under the very unfavorable auspices of bad weather. A very heavy and dull morning was succeeded by thick rain, and under such adverse circumstances it need hardly be said that the assemblage was considerably less than might have been calculated upon with the advantages of fine weather—so essential to the pleasure of these sports. A steamboat was moored off the Meers, Searles, for the accommodation of visitors and subscribers, and despite the wet-shouldered atmosphere, there were a great many parties upon the water in small boats. There were hundreds of anglers; guns denoted the stunts of the various races, and the winners were duly announced directly the results were known. We never know such a stormy day's sport. There were not less than sixteen races on the river, and amongst those many which created considerable interest and excitement. The course for scullers and pair-oars races was from Faversham to Hammarshill, and for the four-oars from Faversham to Chiswick depot. The first event was the *Golden Sculler's (Junior) Race*.—The first heat was won by Mr. F. Rastley; the second by Mr. T. Ireland; and the final heat by Mr. A. Thorne.

Waterman's Apprentice, for Coal, Budge and Rowing.—The first heat was won by J. H. Clapper; E. White, second. The second heat by G. Saller; W. J. Wallinger, second. The third heat by E. Clutter; G. Hammarshill, second. And the fourth heat by G. Hammarshill. White and Clapper were the next two.

Golden's Four-oared Race.—The London Rowing Club, 1; The Albion Club, 2.

Waterman's Pair-oars in Old-fashioned Boats.—The first heat was won by G. Matthews and E. Collins; E. Kelly and J. Mackintosh second. The second heat was won by E. numbers and T. Mackintosh; T. Cole and G. Driver second. The final heat was won by T. Cole and G. Driver; E. Chambers and T. Mackintosh second. The final

heat was won by T. Cole and G. Driver; H. Chambers and T. Mackintosh second. The final heat produced an unexpected result. The favorites were Kelly and J. Mackintosh. The moment the start Kelly looked in the car, and the other three disappeared before him like lightning, but on entering the Crabtree a gap began to exhibit itself in the trio, Cole gallantly leading the van, and with his dashing oars gaining eligibility to the end.

Waterman's Pair-oared Race, open to the World, in Outriggers.—E. Winslip and G. J. Bruce, 1; H. Clapper and W. Focock, 2. From the moment of the start to the finish there was very little doubt about the matter. The winners took the lead and kept it, coming in first as they liked.

Golden's Pair-oared City Race, with Coxswain.—A. Ash and T. W. Thompson, O. E. Tibbary, coxswain, 1; G. Kerridge, H. Kerridge, E. Armstrong, coxswain, 2.—Won easily.

Golden's Pair-oared Race.—J. Nottidge and L. F. Clapham, 1; J. Ireland and H. B. Playford, 2.—Won by four lengths.

Waterman's Sculler's Race.—J. Chandler, 1. T. Richardson and J. G. Kelly also started. Richardson was first up to the committee barge, where, thinking he had finished the course, he left off rowing, and Chandler, going 50 yards further, won the race.

Waterman's—The rowing was resumed on Wednesday at three o'clock at about which time the rain began to fall heavily, and descended in torrents during the whole afternoon. Notwithstanding this unpleasant and disheartening state of things, there was a very large assemblage of visitors at Putney, who endured the "plutonic pelting of the storm," with becoming fortitude, and fully resolved upon the search of pleasure experienced a great deal in the sport which compensated for all unpleasantness.

The card was full of interesting races, the principal of which was the grand champagne contest open to all the world. The rowing commenced at 10 o'clock, and was won by Mr. Gregory; Mr. Thorne was second.

Waterman's Sculler's Race.—The first heat was won by T. Cole; A. Ralph second. The second heat was won by E. Kelly; T. Mackintosh second. The final heat was won by E. Kelly; A. Ralph second. A fine start, Kelly with the second-best position, immediately took the lead, followed by Cole in the second place, Mackintosh being left all astern. Kelly continued his lead, rowing with apparent ease, winning by a length and a half.

Waterman's Sculler's Race in Old-fashioned Boats.—The first heat was won by F. H. B. Robinson second. The second and final heats were won by Chambers. Fines was second.

Golden's (Junior) Four-oared Race.—This race was won by the Albion Club; the London Rowing Club second.

The Tradesman's Pair-oared Race was won by Walker and Richardson.

Golden's Four-oared Race.—St. Agnes—London and Newcastle (E. Clapper, W. Focock, B. Chambers, and T. Mackintosh); J. Drury, coxswain; 1; Elwick and London (E. Kelly, J. Bruce, H. Winslip, and J. Mackintosh); J. Taylor, coxswain; 2; The Hammarshill crew (G. Williams, J. Pearce, E. H. Bruce, and G. Driver); E. H. Bruce, coxswain; 3; The Manchester crew (J. Williamson, J. Crowshaw, J. W. Williams, and B. Buller); J. Bracken, coxswain; 4. After a false start, the whole of the crews "ollipped" their water at the same moment, and, amidst deafening shouts, the men continued in a straight line, and as even at the moment of starting, all opposing Sculler's where the Manchester gave a few desperate pulls, and forced a slight edge—about a couple of feet—which they increased to half a dozen; but then fell back into their original position, and when just above Crown Cottage, St. Agnes began to

draw slightly. The pace was so extraordinary that level, and the men seemed endowed with superhuman vigour. The Hammarshill put on an enormous spurt and went level with the Elwick men, and then both laid down to their work, they rose and fell, and endeavor to retrieve the fatigue of the day, but the St. Agnes men were too good, and went in winners by a length.

The Golden's Eight-oared Race for the Gold Challenge Cup, was won by the London Rowing Club (red).

The Puzzle.—The puzzle was executed by Messrs. Benson, Ludgate-hill, to whom great credit is due for the artistic merit displayed in the general production of the various prizes, especially the Glass Silver Challenge Cup for gentlemen sculler's, which was much admired. The other prizes were the Gold Challenge Cup, the prize for eight-oared rowers, won by the London Rowing Club; Presentation Silver Cup, which becomes the property of each sculler in the winning boat, individually and collectively; "Budge," the immortal ornament of the waterman's coat—on it is drawn in fronted silver relief London-bridge with St. Paul's in the background, and waterman sculling in the town, the whole surrounded by an allegorical wreath of flowers. Next were the Cups for the winners of the pair-oared race; the Clifford Silver Challenge Cup for gentlemen's four-oared boats; and the ornamental Glass Challenge Cup, with silver handle and fittings, for senior gentlemen rowers. Next are handsome Silver Presentation Cups for each of the crews; the Tradesman's Silver Challenge Cup for eight-oared boats; "Gentle gold" for eight-oared boats; and the Silver Tankards for the pair-oared pig match, with coxswain—a new style of race, won both this year and last by Mr. G. H. Tibbary's party.

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PASTIMES WITH CARDS, ACCORDING TO HOLE.

CALLER TAKES, SOMETIMES CALLED BOYS' WINE.

This is a favorite game in Edinburgh and other parts of Scotland, though we believe it is not much known in the latter Kingdom. It may be played by from 2 to 6 persons, with 56 cards; the small cards being dealt, viz. the 2, 3, 4, and 5, being thrown out; and if necessary for an equal division of the cards, one or two of the aces. If the party consists of 2, 3, 4, or 5, each plays on his own account. When two players, three hands are dealt for each account. The first two hands from the top of the pack, then the third, and the fourth, the 56 cards being turned up. The hands are played in the order in which they were dealt. In like manner, when three players, three hands are dealt for each, and when four players, four hands are dealt for each, and when five players, five hands are dealt for each, and when six players, six hands are dealt for each, and when seven players, seven hands are dealt for each, and when eight players, eight hands are dealt for each, and when nine players, nine hands are dealt for each, and when ten players, ten hands are dealt for each, and when eleven players, eleven hands are dealt for each, and when twelve players, twelve hands are dealt for each, and when thirteen players, thirteen hands are dealt for each, and when fourteen players, fourteen hands are dealt for each, and when fifteen players, fifteen hands are dealt for each, and when sixteen players, sixteen hands are dealt for each, and when seventeen players, seventeen hands are dealt for each, and when eighteen players, eighteen hands are dealt for each, and when nineteen players, nineteen hands are dealt for each, and 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REMARKS BY DIAMOND—Some of the victims of the San Francisco Vigilance Committee, lately arrived in this city, have formed themselves into "non-commissioned" in order to carry out the designs of the present Vigilance.

WOMAN'S DICK SUTHER AND JOE BROWN—The challenge given by Mr. Siller a few weeks since was accepted by Missy Warren, yet Siller has not come up to the serious part of the matter.

BOSTON FOR THE MOVIE—Next week will be a great week in Boston. On the 17th, the inauguration of the Franklin Statue will be duly celebrated.

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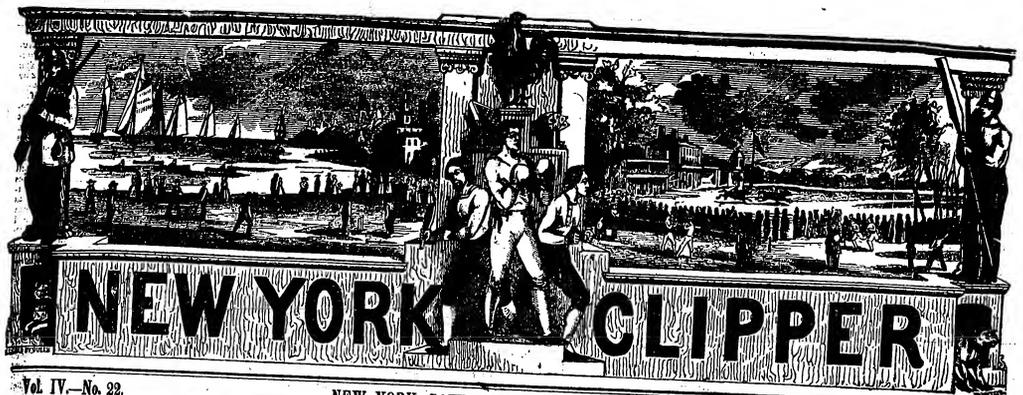
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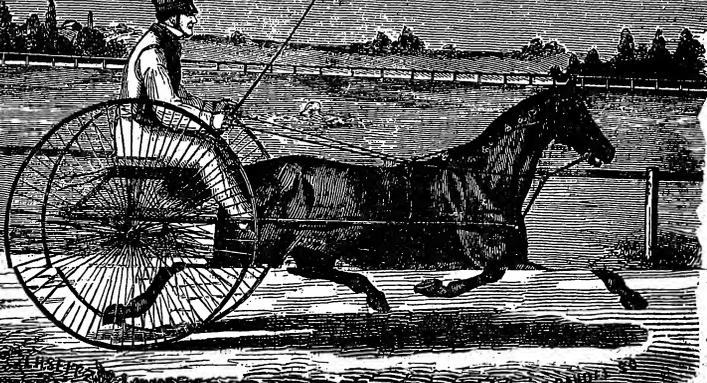
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BEST TIME ON RECORD.

FLORA TEMPLE, AS SHE APPEARED IN HER GREAT TROTTING MATCH WITH TAQOBY, ON THE UNION, L. I., COURSE, TUESDAY, SEPT. 2, 1866—FLORA WINNING IN ONE HEAT, IN THE UNPARALLELED TIME OF 2:44.

TRAINING EXTRAORDINARY.

Starting Performances of "Intellectual Fias."

We have lately discovered an individual who for the last twenty years has devoted his life to the intellectual training of fias. His career on his operations in a little room in Marylebone street, London. We enter—there are fias here, fias there, fias everywhere; no less than sixty fias are here inspected and sentenced to hard labor for life. All of them are lockily chained or haled in some way or other, so that escape and subsequent feeding upon visitors is impossible. A little black speck jumps up suddenly of the table where the performer takes place—we walk up to inspect and, find that it is a fias he addressed to the end of an unbroken wisp of straw, he is strong enough to lift it right off the table on which it is placed. The discovery was first made by the fias proprietor, and made him turn his attention towards selling the race. One would think it were easy enough to procure troops of fias and to perform; but it appears that neither is an easy matter. It is not easy to procure a lot of white-bodied fias, and it is not every sort of fias that will do. They must be human fias; dog fias, cat fias and bird fias are of no use—they are not lively enough nor strong enough, and soon break down in their training. Human fias, therefore, must be obtained, and every fias created a market for them. The dealer especially elderly females, who supply the raw material at its trade price of five, moreover, (like the dealer price of every thing else) varies, but the average price is two pence a dozen, the winter time it is six pence, and on one occasion the trainer was obliged to give the large sum of sixpence for one single fias. It has happened to give a performance; the time arranged to be under the fias; one, whose presence could not be dispensed with, was gone. What was to be done? The vaquary went to flick, all that, an officer, giving the manager's distress, applied the needed animal; but he required sixpence for it, and sixpence he got.

While we were looking at the performance, there came a fresh supply of fias; a swarm of them, in a wail of hind, hindled altogether at the bottom. We gave them a shake, and immediately they all began hopping about, biting their little horny heads against the sides of the table which was half elevated with such force that there was a distinct noise as if one had very gently tapped the bottom with a nail. We were not very good friends, for they were continually getting entangled in masses,

and fighting with their tiny but powerful legs, and rolling over and over as if in mutual combat. We did not, however, a case of life and death; for we did not see one that was looking injured or tired after the melee.

We then observed one fias, which gave us great pleasure, namely, that fias are at amity with bugs. There was one bug in the bottle, surrounded by many fias; the poor bug rubbed continually from one end of the bottle to the other, running the gauntlet of the assembled fias; every fias he came near attacked him; and retreated ignominiously, as though half afraid of him; the bug overwhelmed by numbers, had the worst of it, and beat an ignominious retreat into a bit of banana.

Fias are not always brought to market in vital bottles. A fias proprietor told us that he got all his best fias from Kansas, and that they seem over in pill-boxes packed in the finest cotton-wool. These fias were big, powerful and good workers. We wonder whether the Ontario House authorities thought it worth while to examine the contents of these pill-boxes. When our friend in Marylebone makes his annual tour into the provinces, his wife sends him weekly a supply of fias in the corner of an eyeglass, packed in tissue-paper. Fias is careful not to put them in the corner where the many goss, as the good-officer clerk would, with his stamp-marker, at one slow, smash the whole of the fias; it is not a good idea to work at a case; like a cat on a poppy, it must undergo a course of training or discipline. The training is brought about as follows: The fias is taken up gently in a pair of forceps, and one of the finest glass pills is placed round his neck; and there tied with a peculiar knot. The fias, unfortunately for himself, has a groove or depression between his neck and his body, which serves as a capital holdfast for the bit of silk; it can slip neither up nor down, and he cannot push it off with his legs; he is a prisoner, and he is thus tied to his work. This delicate operation is generally performed under a magnifying glass; but, after a time, the eye gets so accustomed to the work, that the glass is not always used. In no way is the performing fias mutilated; his legs and his springing legs are not cut off, nor are his lobster-like walking legs interfered with—a fias must be in perfect health to perform well.

The first lesson given to the novice is the same as that given to a child, namely, to walk. To effect this he is fastened to the end of a slip of card-board, which works on a pin as on a pivot; the moment he feels himself free from the hand, or rather force of the harrower, he gives a tremendous spring forward; what is the consequence? he advances in a circle, and the weight of the card board keeps him down as the mass moves. He rises it up with the same power; finally, he finds the progress he makes in

no way equal to his exertions; and returns, like a vessel that presses it up, and waltzes round and round with his constant as quickly as an old blind horse does in a mill. To arrive at this state of training requires about a fortnight of the average time.

There is another mode of training fias; to what them up in a small glass box which turns easily against two upright supports. The fias, when first put in, hops wildly about, but he only hits his head against the top of the box; and at the same time gets giddy with the turning round of his prison. We are not aware which system of training has proved the more successful.

Among the trained fias already at work, we noticed the following: there was a coach with four fias harnessed to it, who draw it along a pretty good pace; and we should be inclined to back this coach in a race with a common garden snail. It is very heavy for the little creature to drag along for one pass of glass in the coach is equal to the weight of a hundred fias. There is a large fias, whose daily task is to drag along a little model of a man-of-war; it is amazing to see him push and struggle to get it along; but get along he does, although it is two hundred and forty times his own weight. Again, there are two fias secured, one at each end of a very little bit of gold-colored paper. They are placed in a reversed position to each other—each looking one way, the other another way. Thus tied, they are placed in a sort of arena on the top of a wooden box; at one end of the arena is an orbicular composed of fias, each tied to its seat, and having the resemblance of some musical instrument tied on the forepart of their legs. The box is made to play, the exhibitor touches each of the musicians with a bit of stick, and they all begin waving their hands about, as performing an elaborate piece of music. The fias tied to the gold paper feel the jarring of the box below, and begin to run round and round as fast as their little legs will carry them. This is called the fias's waltz.

Tightly secured in a tiny chain sits a fias feeling a tiny ocean. Several times a day this unfortunate insect lives this ocean, and in this way: One of the little slugs which form the feather of a quill pen is fastened on to one of his legs, and a little descending power placed on his lip; the exhibitor then presses the wand down on to the ocean, and scratches the dotting power; it goes off with a sharp report, making the book-iron jump, but it is not anybody more than the fias himself; he flourishes the burnt remains of his string wand madly about to the air, his unusually leg-like about violently, his little head bob up and down, and altogether he shows as many systems of alarm as it is possible for a fias to exhibit. The individual fias that we met in this state of terror did not seem to have got used to his work,

though the poor thing had been doing his ocean about thirty times a day for a month.

The fias are not kept always in harness; every night each fias is taken out of his harness, he is fed, and placed in a private compartment in a box for the night before they go to bed they have their supper, and in the morning also their breakfast upon the hand of their owner—sometimes he has nearly all his fias on the back of his hands; at the same moment, all biting and sucking away. Four months or twenty years has he than daily fed his fias without any detriment to his health; the quantity of blood he considers, would feed a fias many weeks; but it is the itching sensation caused by the fias cutting his skin which is unpleasant. This feeling of itching he holds patiently when he first began to submit himself to the tender mercies of his little performer, now he is so hard-hearted that he feels them not at all, whether biting or sucking. When, however, there are many on him at the same time, he suffers from a sensation of great irritation all over his body, which passes away when their supper is over. He has remarked that fias will not feed if his hand is not kept perfectly motionless; the act, therefore, of feeding and harnessing is troublesome and he is obliged to give up two hours in the morning and two in the afternoon to it. His fias generally live a long time; provided they are properly fed and taken care of. He once had a fias, a pair of fias, who for eighteen months was occupied in pulling a little model from a wall; this fias lived longer than any other fias he ever had, and he believes he died finally from pure old age; for, he was found dead one day, his little feet, with his hair drawn half way up the wall—(Household Words).

PEDESTRIAN FEAT IN RUSSIA.

CAROLIN GOSWAM, who set out from St. Petersburg, in May, 1859, to walk through the interior of Russia to the east of Asia, with a view of ascertaining the feat of a northern gale, traversed at the rate of forty-three miles a day for one hundred and twenty-three consecutive days. She afterwards walked upwards of four hundred miles, without meeting a human being. Wherever he went he seems to have accommodated himself to the habits of the people, however rude and disgusting. With the Kalmucks, he ate kure-shab, ribs, and waffles; and with the Tatars he found as little difficulty in partaking upon beans, rat-does, and raw horse fat, the best of which he considered a good delicacy.

HONORARY—Why is a horse, half-way between a pig, a sheep? Kase it is dead on one side and tail on the other.

