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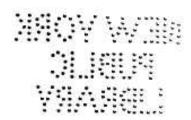
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PREFACE.

THE purpose of this work is to fill a void in the records of racing in America, a void caused primarily by the Civil War and its disturbing influence upon racing affairs.

From 1828 to 1845, the summaries of all races run in the United States were published in the Turf Register. Subsequently Porter's Spirit of the Times published them annually in book form as the Racing Calendar, until 1861, when the Civil War ended all racing in that section south of the Potomae, which had long been its chief theatre, and a few years later saw its transfer to the North.

The inauguration of Saratoga as a racing centre in 1863, was followed by Jerome Park in 1866, and racing, which had fallen in popularity in the North some twenty years previously, began a career which has rendered it the National sport of the country. Prospect Park (now known as Gravesend) followed Jerome Park and was in turn followed by Monmouth Park in New Jersey. Yet during this important era no records of races were published in book form. In 1870 Col. Bruce took up the thread Porter had dropped ten years before and published a record of races in connection with the trotting record of that year. Then Mr. Dorling and Mr. Watson published annuals. In 1876 Mr. Crickmore published his admirable "Guide to the Turf." and later. the Messrs. Goodwin issued the Turf Guide.

Still, the racing from 1860 to 1870 remained unrecorded. The omission was a serious one, as the period was one of great historical interest. Aside from its marking the date when racing had flually entered upon its career as a great popular amusement, it was also marked by the appearance upon

the scene of some famous racehorses. Planet had closed his brilliant career just as Norfolk, Asteroid and Kentucky, that great triumvirate of Lexington's sons, had taken the field and carried all before them. Idlewild's star had scarcely paled before Ruthless had won the first Belmont Stakes and begun a career that placed her among the great mares of the generation. Mollie Jackson had deserted the post for the paddock and given us an improved edition of herself in Fannie Ludlow, destined to foal the dam of Foxhall. Mr. John Hunter and Mr. Francis Morris, who had for several years stood almost alone as owners of racehorses in the North, had been joined by such gentlemen as Hon. August Belmont, D. D. Withers, W. Constable, L. W. Jerome, John F. Purdy, R. W. Cameron, M. H. Sanford, W. R. Travers, P. S. Forbes and others, who for the first time registered their "Racing Colors."

Moreover, the period from 1860 to 1870 is important in that during that decade were imported such horses as Leamington, Australian, Eclipse, Billet, Phaeton and Glenelg, as well as a large number of mares, several of which founded the most successful racing families of the present day. Many of these animals raced in this country after importation, and their racing career as well as that of their early progeny is of great concern to the breeder and horseman in tracing their speed producing qualities.

To collect this data, to arrange it chronologically and so arrange it to give it order and significance has been no small labor. Mr. Crickmore, the compiler, has, however, obtained and here presents summaries of all races reported during that period; and, as The Spirit of the Times and Turf, Field and Farm were the only racing publications of that time, the obligation of the compiler is so evident as to render acknowledgment unnecessary.

CUP DAY, SARATOGA, 1901. W. S. VOSBURGH.

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ALABAMA.

MOBILE, MAGNOLIA COURSE, SPRING MEET- ING — FIRST DAY, MARCH 24, 1866. Sweepstaker for two-year-olds, at \$50 each, play or pay, with \$250 added. Six subscribers. One Mile.
J. M. Clay's ch. f. Jennie P., by Star Davis — Raily by Trustee
Time, 1.51½.
Same Day. Sweepstakes for three-year-olds, at \$50 each play or pay, with \$300 added. Four subscribers. Mild Heats.
Moore & Coffee's b. f. Maiden, by Lexington— Kitty Clark by Glencoe 1 S. D. Henderson's ch. f. Sarah K. 2 A. M. Sprague's b. c. Gen. J. E. Johnston dis. Time, 1.512, 1.501.
SECOND DAY, MARCH 26. Purse, \$150, for all ages. Mile and a Quarter.
W. H. Williamson's b. c. Gen. Rousseau, 4 yrs., by Commodore — Noty Price by Cost Johnson L. E. Smith's b. m. NEUTRALITY, 4 yrs Time, 2.21.
Same Day. Cotton Stake, for all ages, at \$200 each play or pay, with \$3,000 added. Three- and four-year olds to carry usual weights; five and upward, 110 lbs

Moore & Coffee's b. c. Bracon, 4 yrs., by Lex-		
ington — Bay Leaf by Yorkshire	1	1
S. D. Henderson's gr. c. Charley Armstrong,	•	8
3 yrs	3	2
3 yrs. W. Cottrill's b. g. John Scott	2	dis.
A. M. Sprague's b. c. GEN. J. E. JOHNSTON, 3		
yrs	4	dis.
Time, 3.48, 3.47.		
THIRD DAY, MARCH 27. Purse, \$300. Hand all ages. Two Miles.	icaj	for
 W. Cottrill's (S. D. Henderson's) b. c. GILROY, 4 by Lexington — Magnolia by Glencoe, 90 lbs. A. M. Sprague's b. m. —, 5 yrs., by Portla Judy, 75 lbs Time, 3.50. 	nd-	_ 1
SAME DAY. Coffee-House Stake, for all ages each, play or pay, with \$500 added. Five subs Mile Heats, three in five.	at eri	\$50 bers.
S. D. Henderson's b. c. GEN. ROUSSEAU, 4 yrs., by Commodore — Noty Price by Cost John-	11721	0020
Moore & Coffee's b. f. Maiden, 3 yrs 2	1	1
W. Cottrill's eh. f. —, 3 yrs., by Cary Bell,		
dam by Black Prince	o	ur.
FOURTH DAY, MARCH 28. Sweepstakes for two olds, at \$50 each, play or pay, with \$300 added. subscribers. Mile Heats.	70-y	even
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J. M. Clay's ch. f. Jennie P., by Star Davis- Rally by Trustee. W. Cottrill's b. c. —, by Goodwood, dam t	(es)	1 1
W. Cottrill's b. c. —, by Goodwood, dam l	y	
Glencoe Time, 1.52‡, 1.54½.		2 2
SAME DAY. The Livery-Stable Stake, for all \$100 each, play or pay, with \$1,000 added. E money to the second. Four subscribers. The Heats.	ntr	ance
S. P. Henderson's gr. e. Charley Armstrong yrs., by Lexington, dam by Gray Eagle W. B. Hayden's b. g. John Scott	. 4	l dis.
Time, 5.58‡.		PERMIT

FIFTH DAY, MARCH 29. Derby Stake, for all ages, at \$100 each, play or pay, with \$1,000 added by the Bay Road Association. Three- and four-year-olds to carry usual weights; five and upward, 110 lbs. Six subscribers. Two Miles and a Half.
Moore & Coffee's b. c. BEACON, 4 yrs., by Lexington — Bay Leaf by Yorkshire
Same Day. Battle House Purse, \$500, for all ages, at \$100 each, play or pay. Two entries. Two-Mile Heats.
S. D. Henderson's ch. f. SARAH K., 4 yrs., by Lexington — Gloriana by American Eclipse w. o.
SIXTH DAY, MARCH 30. Theater Purse, \$300, for all ages. Mile Heats.
L. E. Smith's (S. D. Henderson's) ch. f. Sarah K., 3 yrs., by Lexington — Gloriana by Amer-
ican Eclipse
TRALITY, 4 yrs
Same Day. Purse, \$250, for all ages; selling allowances. One Mile.
T. G. Moore's gr. g. Mike Edwards (late Throg's Neck), aged, by Cracker—Sallie Ward, \$600 1 W. Cottrill's b. g. John Scott, 4 yrs., \$600 2 Time not taken.
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LOUISIANA.
NEW ORLEANS, ORESCENT COURSE, SPRING MEETING — FIRST DAY, APRIL 11, 1866. Crescent Hall Purse, \$500, for three-year-olds. Mile Heats. S. D. Henderson's b. c. Gilroy, by Lexington — Magnolia by Glencoe, 90 lbs
Moore & Coffee's b. f. Maiden, 87 lbs