Big Ascot Money Goes Overseas

By THE SCOUT *(Cyril Luckman)*

ASCOT, Tuesday.

BACKERS were still dry and in funds after the first round of a truly international Ascot.

Two wins for the Aga Khan—both youngsters—and the first two races for Sir Abe Bailey, whom we associate as much with South Africa.

A final success for Frenchman M. Marcel Boussac with Goya II. and that preceded by Tempest II. for absent American owner, Mr. A. K. Macomber. The seventh winning owner lives in Sussex.

Usual shocks for those who relied solely on Derby form, but I expected Goya II. to turn the tables on Le Grand Duc, who could only finish fourth behind Full Sail (who had moved right up for a challenge) and Fairford, who flattered once more in the lead. Goya II. carried through well. As I feared, the St. James's Palace Stakes was too soon after Epsom for Cash Book.

New rails on the far side have necessitated a big change at the turn. It seems to make the Old Mile look much

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ASCOT.
2.30—MIDSTREAM
Double:
Midstream and Black Lashes
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longer now for the "gate" has not been moved, but Sir Gordon Carter assured me it is an optical illusion. "I thought as you did until I had it measured and found it only a yard or two longer," he added.

We shall judge better the effect of the new straight rails after the Hunt Cup. It seemed to reduce the lottery a lot.

ONE OF MY 20

FIRST race—first "book" shocks. Sandsprite second in the Derby now short-headed by Cold Scent who carried 12lbs. more. I am glad I included Sir Abe Bailey's winner in my "Twenty to follow" in the "Scout's Guide," for he is engaged in the St. Leger. Weston wished he had been in the Derby and Lawson was more than hopeful today—second favourite at 9—2.

Crouch fell back on Sandsprite but had picked up and taken the lead in the straight. Cold Scent worried him out of it. Sunnybank split a pastern and had to be destroyed. Winnebar confirmed Epsom with Renardo.

Cold Scent calls attention to his easy York conqueror, Merry Mathew, but unfortunately the northern crack has a gathering in his off fore foot and is almost certain not to run for the King Edward VII. Stakes tomorrow. I had anticipated his clash with my Derby "nap," Solfo.

SECOND AGAIN

KEPT-ON is the 1937 "Jonah." With the winner out of the way he would have finished first in three big handicaps this season. Weston managed, however, to get a clear run on the outside and head him on the Ascot Stakes favourite Valerian. I thought in the straight we might be on a 25—1 winner in Rondo, but Sir Calidore passed him for third place only three-quarters of a length more away, and also turned Chester Cup form on the prominent fifth Faites Vos Jeux.

Mrs. Grundy lasted longer than the leading Cornered and Farsi and Thoth. Fancied Fet was bucking at the start and laboured behind most of the way.

The King's Fairlead dropped further back.

Frank Butters has been rather quiet with his juveniles, but he landed the double of the Coventry and Queen Mary Stakes. Queen of Simla—a 20—1 chance—turned Newmarket form on the very prominent Prosecutor and held Kelpie by a neck with the much-improved Soda another short head just in front of Prosecutor, who is well worth following. She did not beat Serelia far, and Well Taken showed speed, but Sweet Corn took too long to get going and was always fighting a losing battle. Queen of Simla was drawn 20—it did not seem to matter in this race.

SLOW STARTER

IT is a pity that Lord Derby's newcomer, Onslaught, was so slow from the mark that he was soon many lengths behind the flying Mirza II. and Berwick in the Coventry Stakes, for we could have seen otherwise how good the Aga Khan's 31—4-on chance really is. Onslaught came through well to pass Silver Spear II., while "Mirzy" ran home by three lengths in real "Mumty" fashion.

It was the first race on the straight with the new far rails, but Smirke, badly drawn No. 10, came over to the stands side long before the post was reached.

Fearless Fox is not a "greyhound" for speed, but his natural stamina assured the Gold Vase this year for coursing enthusiast, Mr. Gordon Smith, who has only two or three horses.

He had practically waited twelve months to make sure of a trophy, and his maiden claimed the weight advantage with the bold northerners, Union Jack and Silversol, who followed him home. E. Smith came through smoothly and had a nice bit in hand.

Next for J. Jarvis's attempt on the Golden Myth double, for Fearless Fox is a certain runner in Thursday's Gold Cup.

Beatty wisely chose the substance with Tempest II.—better in a small field than the Hunt Cup. He wandered across a lot before outlasting Daytona. Tract marked further progress, but Pampas Grass was not saddled—may run on Thursday, but will not accompany Tempest II.'s narrow Jubilee conqueror Commander III. in the Hunt Cup tomorrow.

MIDSTREAM DOUBT

TED LEADER tells me that definite Midstream decision may not be made until the morning, but the trainer seems keen to run on present good going. If it rained hard, but the sun shone, he might wait for Thursday and firmer ground again. Midstream's rider seems unsettled.

I think Midstream would win if not in a funky mood away from home. I must fear several—notably Squadron Castle (my alternative choice and long shot), for he is well expected and is the best-handicapped horse in the race on Ascot running last year with the King's Fairey (fancied tomorrow) and Taj Akbar, and also on his Grosvenor Cup third last November. He has a pull of 9lbs. with Commander III., and has also the beating of Laureat II. and Sally Andrews.

Money has spoken for "Sally," but the Bolton mare has nothing in hand of Finalist—as good as ever. Laureat II. and Fairplay may have too much to do. I prefer Holyrood, from the Fairplay stable. Marmaduke Jinks might confirm Lincoln running with Laureat II. and a "class" horse like Commander III. follow his Jubilee triumph. Others have done so.

Cottrill won with Gulnea Gap last year—well-treated Lovely Rosa was unlucky at Chester. I stood her then. Voltus and Gunboat were bang there last June. Couvert may turn Newbury form on penalised Artist's Prince and again beat Lovers' Quarrel. Pegasus is better than Pike Barn and the going yielding enough for him.

I also prefer El Sbaa. Bold Encounter and Noble Turk to Remember II., Cordilleras, and French filly Flying Thoughts II. It is "nap" on Midstream against Squadron Castle, Commander III. and Lovely Rosa.

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ASCOT

SAFETY BET. 2.30.—Midstream.

	1.30. 2m.	2.30 7f. 135yds.	3.0. 5f.	3.30. 1m. 4f.	4.0. 1m.	4.30. 5f.	5.0. 1m. 4f.
THE SCOUT	Suzerain (if ab Velvet Cushion)	Midstream (nap) (if ab Squadron Castle)	Lohengrin	Solfo	Black Lashes (n.b.)	Waterbird (if ab Foray)	Severino
WHAT THE BOOK SAYS	Columelle	Laureat II.	—	Merry Mathew	Revenderie	Diplomat (nap)	Lost Scent
TATTENHAM (S. Express)	Foxfield (if ab Plaster Cast).	Inchkeith (silver Fairplay)	Lohengrin (if ab What A Lad)	Solfo (if ab Merry Mathew)	Penicuik (if ab Revenderie)	Waterbird (if ab Foray)	P Beary's sel (nap)

THE SCOUT'S TOTE DOUBLE.—Lohengrin and Black Lashes.

Probables And Jockeys

Stewards: Lord Hamilton of Dalzell, the Duke of Norfolk, the Earl of Harewood, Major Sir Samuel Scott.

TOTE DOUBLE.—3.0 and 4.0.

1.30—CHURCHILL STAKES (4-Y.O.). £1,000 added. Two miles.

021 Columelle (Lord Londonderry) O Bell, 9 10 ....H Wragg
00 Suzerain (Mr A de Rothschild) T E Leader, 9 6 ....Perryman
530 Magnet (Lord Hirst), Templeman, 9 6 ....Gdn Richards
005 Citadel (Mrs A James), J Anthony, 8 10 ....—
10 Velvet Cushion (Mr M Marsh) M Marsh, 8 7 ....E Smith
0 Signature (Mr M Field) B-Rochfort ....Sirett
00 Plaster Cast (Lord Astor), Lawson, 8 ....Weston
00 Earthstopper (Sir A Bailey), Lawson, 7 1 ....Weston
0 Saxford (Mr G P K Hartigan), M Hartigan, 7 11 ....C Richards

Following Are Also Engaged:— st lb
402 Boswell (Mr Wm Woodward), B-Rochfort 9 10
14 Flares (Mr Wm Woodward) B-Rochfort 9 10
121 Fearless Fox (Mr A G Smith) J Jarvis 9 10
401 Monument (Duke of Marlborough), B-Rochfort 9 6
0 Theddingworth (Mr M Field), B-Rochfort 9 6
Beruna (M M Boussac), France 9 6
211 Haulfryn (Mr F C Minnoprio), Lynes 9 6
Carius (M M Boussac), France 9 1
424 Bellrue (Mr E T Thornton Smith), Templeman 9 1
004 Big Laurel (Mr E T Thornton Smith), Templeman 8 10
010 Hulding Cree (Sir W Burbidge), J Jarvis 8 10
0 Battle Ground (Lady Nuttall), Cottrill 8 10
024 Dead Level (Capt R Walker), Berthropp 8 7
00 Foxfield (Sir A Bailey), Lawson 7 11

Betting Forecast.—5—2 Columelle, 4 Magnet, 11—2 Suzerain, Signature, 10 Velvet Cushion Earthstopper, 20 Saxford.

Last year's winner—Lisloi (W Nevett, 9st 7lb), 7—4. M Peacock.

2.30—ROYAL HUNT CUP (h'cap). £2,000 added. Seven furlongs 155 yards.

Probable starters, jockeys and form in adjoining columns. Latest London betting on Page Seventeen.

Last year's winner—Guinea Gap (R A Jones, 3, 8 5), 28—1. Cottrill.

3.0—CHESHAM STAKES (2-Y.O.). £1,000 added. Five furlongs.

112 Jubilee (His Majesty), W Jarvis, 8 12 ....Crouch
Harmony (Mr G W Hands), Saxoy, 8 12 ....—
000 Timur (Mr D Grossman), Briscoe, 8 12 ....S Wragg
0 Paris II (Mr E Esmond), J Jarvis, 8 12 ....Nevett
44 Berceau (Miss D Hornsby-Sampiel), P Alden, 8 12 ....Perryman
01 Tahir (H.H. Aga Khan), Pk Butters, 8 12 ....Smirke
Eildon Hill (Brig-Gen Charles Lambton), Lawson, 8 12 ....Weston
Golden Eagle (Lt-Col Giles Loder), Gilpin, 8 12 ....H Wragg
4 Extinguisher (Lord Portal), F S Butters, 8 12 ....R A Jones
01 Lohengrin (Lord Portman), P Beary, 8 12 ....Beary
02 What a Lad (H.H. Maharajah of Rajpipla), Duller, 8 12 ....Herbert
0 Marvel (Lord Rosebery), J Jarvis, 8 12 ....Nevett
1 Seventh Wonder (Mrs J Shand), G Armstrong, 8 12 ....E Smith
051 Open Door (Mr J H Whitney), B-Rochfort, 8 12 ....P Beasley
005 Vespers I (Sir W Cooke), Barling, 8 9 ....—
4 Morning Breeze (Mr J A Dewar), F Darling, 8 9 ....G Richards
1 Libertine II (Sir P Eley), Templeman, 8 9 ....Sirett
2 Divert (Mr J B Joel), C Peck, 8 9 ....—
Stirrup Cup (Major McCalmont), Lambton, 8 9 ....Carslake

Following Is Also Engaged:— st lb
Aeolus (M M Boussac), France 8 12
0 Amergos (Lady Bulloughs), R Leader 8 12
King's Request (Lord Digby), P Hartigan 8 12
11 Mirza II (H.H. Aga Khan), Pk Butters 8 12
00 Valentine (Major McCalmont), G Lambton 8 12
0 Jubilee Day (Miss D Paget), Snow 8 12
22 Haydawn (Sir L Phillips), J Jarvis 8 12
004 Bancroft (Mr W Woodward), B-Rochfort 8 12
Assurance II (Mr J E Widener), B-Rochfort 8 12
000 Miss Freeman (Mrs B C Fairfax), R J Colling 8 9
Miss Troy I (Mr J T Hazlip), E Pariter 8 9
030 Whitsun (Mr E Starkey), D Waugh 8 9
Water Wheel I (Mrs J B Joel), C Peck 8 9
4 Killala Bay I (Miss D Paget), W Nightingall 8 9

Betting Forecast.—9—2 Tahir, 5 Lohengrin, 11—2 Open Door, 8 Jubilee, Seventh Wonder, 10 What a Lad, Morning Breeze, 100—8 Timur, Vespers I, 100—6 others.

Last year's winner—Fair Copy (R Perryman, 8 12), 2—1 (fav). C Leader.

3.30—KING EDWARD VII. STAKES (3-Y.O.). £1,000 added. One mile four furlongs.

00 Sultan Mahomed (Prince Aly Khan), Pk Butters, 9 1 ....Smirke
111 Merry Mathew (Mr R Boussac), M Peacock, 9 1 ....W Nevett
50 Solfo (Major J S Courtauld), B Jarvis, 9 1 ....Lowrey
110 Tweedledee (Lord Rosebery), J Jarvis, 8 10 ....E Smith
010 Sunbather (Sir V Sassoon), Lawson, 8 10 ....S Donoghue
444 Senor (Mr W Barnett), R Dawson, 8 5 ....Crouch
000 Shine (Mr J B Joel), C Peck, 8 3 ....H Wragg

Following Are Also engaged:— st lb
134 Le Grand Duc (H.H. Aga Khan), Pk Butters 9 1
42 Fair Copy (Lord Derby), C Leader 9 1
00 Her Awakening (Sir P Eley), Templeman 8 9
Short Commons (Lord Derby), Cottrill 8 5
042 Cinquecento (Mr M Field), B-Rochfort 8 3
0 Tote Investor (Mr P Haldin), T E Leader 8 3
000 Blunderbuss (Major C Ellis), D Waugh 8 3
00 Blandalan (Sir J Jarvis), J Jarvis 8 3
000 Bucrasmar (H.H. Aga Khan), Pk Butters 8 3
Prince Arthur (Mr L L Lawrence), France 8 3
Treize Mai (Mr L L Lawrence), France 8 3
002 Revirsen (Duke of Norfolk), Gilpin 8 3
430 Mirame (Lord Rosebery), J Jarvis 8 3
00 Tinteretto (Mr A de Rothschild), T E Leader 8 3
240 Elgar (Mr S Tattersall), Lawson 8 3
00 Captain Hook (Mr R F Watson), M Hartigan 8 3
Merry Mathew is a doubtful runner.

Betting Forecast.—6—4 Merry Mathew, 5—2 Solfo, 5 Tweedledee, 8 Senor, 10 Sultan Mahomed, 100—8 others.

Last year's winner—Precipitation (P Beasley, 8 4), 2—1 (fav) B-Rochfort.

4.0—CORONATION STAKES (3-Y.O. fillies). £1,000 added. One mile.

00 Gliding (Sir A Bailey), Cottrill, 8 10 ....—
102 Kind Kitty (Miss P Bainbridge), F S Butters, 8 10 ....H Wragg
100 Nalseborough (Sir W Burbidge), J Jarvis, 8 10 ....Nevett
113 Revenderie (Lord Carnarvon), F Darling, 8 10 ....Gdn Richards
130 Gainsborough Lass (Sir J Jarvis), J Jarvis, 8 10 ....E Smith
04 Celestial Way (Mr G Lambton), G Lambton, 8 10 ....Carslake
002 Lady of Milan (Mr Washington Singer), M Marsh, 8 10 Smirke
024 Black Lashes (Mr J E Widener), B-Rochfort, 8 10 ....F Beasley
00 Burlington Lass (Mr P W Wilmot), Barling, 8 10 ....Herbert
00 Polonaise (His Majesty), W Jarvis, 8 3 ....Crouch
00 Penicuik (Lord Astor), Lawson, 8 3 ....R A Jones
00 Fernia (Sir A Bailey), R Day, 8 3 ....Weston
40 Struth (Mr H Blagrave), Blagrave, 8 3 ....Gardiner
20 Spray (Major H Cayzer), B-Rochfort, 8 3 ....Sirett
0 Sramisak (Major J S Courtauld), B Jarvis, 8 3 ....Lowrey
40 Fieldfare (Lt-Col Giles Loder), Gilpin, 8 3 ....—
0 Celosia (Mr W Raphael), R Adams, 8 3 ....Hawcroft
004 Marshwood (Mr E Thornton-Smith), Templeman, 8 3 ....Sibbritt
00 Fairilly (Capt A S Willis), F S Butters, 8 3 ....—

Following Are Also Engaged:— st lbs
00 Her Awakening (Sir P Eley), Templeman 8 10
0 Point of Ayr (Sir E Hanmer), M Peacock 8 10
31 Fishpoint (Lord Astor), Lawson 8 10
00 Windsor Lady (Mr N H Benson), M Hartigan 8 3
000 Rockfoil (Lord Londonderry), O Bell 8 3

Betting Forecast.—4 Gainsborough Lass, 9—2 Black Lashes, 11—2 Spray, Celestial Way, 10 Revenderie, Nalseborough, Kind Kitty, 100—8 Polonaise, Penicuik, 100—6 others.

Last year's winner—Traffic Light (R Dick, 8 10), 5—1 (co-fav.). Lawson.

4.30—FERN HILL STAKES. £1,000 added. Five furlongs.

320 Mickey the Greek (Mr N Priezel), H Leach, 3, 9 7 ....H Wragg
311 Waterbird (Lord C Montagu), J Jarvis, 3, 9 7 ....E Smith
0 Foray (Mr M Field), B-Rochfort, 3, 9 7 ....F Beasley
201 Diplomat (Mr M McAlpine), V Smyth, 3, 9 7 ....Sirett
00 Gliding (Sir A Bailey), Cottrill, 3, 9 4 ....Weston
00 Swiss Cottage (Miss D Paget), Snow, 3, 9 4 ....Smirke
22 Carissa (Sir V Sassoon), H Peacock, 3, 9 4 ....S Donoghue
032 Ethiopie (Mr J Schwob), P Hartigan, 3, 9 ....—
00 Sunny Saint (Mrs M A Gemmell), Malitz, 2, 7 9 ....—

Following Are Also Engaged:— yrs st lb
330 Hesperus (Mrs L Corbett), O Bell 3 9 7
122 Terror (Mr W Murray), Cottrill 3 9 4
000 Chipardeuse (M P Wertheimer), P Hartigan 3 9 4
00 Highfield Boy (Mr J B Snow), Beeby 2 7 9
210 Vintage f (Mrs D Fitzgerald), B Jarvis 2 7 6
0 Artist f (Mr O M D Bell), O Bell 2 7 6

Betting Forecast.—9—4 Foray, 5 Diplomat, 7—2 Waterbird, 11—2 Carissa, 10 Mickey the Greek, 100—8 others.

Last year's winner—Ipsden (S Wragg, 3, 9 4), 11—2. O Bell.

5.0—DESSBOROUGH STAKES (H'CAP). £1,000 added. One mile four furlongs.

32 Mansur (Mr A K Macomber) Beatty, 5, 9 2 ....Carslake
041 Atout Royal (Mr S V Christie-Miller), Houghton, 4, 8 11 ....—
330 Magnet (Lord Hirst), Templeman, 4, 8 10 ....—
013 Chrysler II (Lord Churchill), Whitaker 6, 8 9 ....Beary
211 Haulfryn (7lb ex) (Mr F C Minoprio), Lynes, 4 8 9 Gdn Richards
0 Magnetique (Lord Ellesmere), Barling, 5 8 8 ....E Smith
222 Law Court (Col P T Helsel) W Nightingall, 5, 8 8 ....Marshall
01 Petit Bleu (Capt G S Barnes) Gilbert, 5, 8 7 ....Gethin
320 Solitaire (Sir E Hoyle) H Peacock, 6, 8 5 ....J Taylor
40 Pegomas (Mr G Ashworth) W Carr 6 8 4 ....Nevett
0 Barrystar (Mr P W Shenstone), M Marsh, 4, 8 4 ....Lowrey
000 Pedor (Mr F H Skerns), Skerns, 6, 8 3 ....C Richards
011 The Fent (Lord Portman), P Beary, 7 8 ....S Wragg
100 Dytchley (Mr R Tree), B-Rochfort, 4, 8 ....Sirett
000 Prince Achille (M P Wertheimer), P Hartigan, 5, 7 13 ....Weston
000 Severino (Sir A Bailey) Lawson, 4 7 12 ....—
220 Sileve Mish (M F D L Wilson), T E Leader, 5, 7 10 ....J Power
1 Bahuddin (H.H. Aga Khan), Pk Butters 4, 7 10 ....—
031 Gamesmaster (10lb ex) (Mr H Lester), G Todd, 6, 7 10 ....Maher
005 Citadel (Mrs A James), J Anthony 4, 7 8 ....Sibbritt
0 Fonds de Caisse (Mrs A Smith-Bingham) R J Colling, 5, 7 6 ....P Evans
310 Samarkand (Downger Lady Penrhyn), D Pennant, 5, 7 6 ....W Wing
0 Spinalot (Mr J Ramsden), H Leader, 4 7 5 ....F Sharpe
002 Parlet King (Mr J A de Rothschild), P Pratt, 6, 7 3 ....B Lynch
04 Satanic (Maj J S Courtauld), B Jarvis, 4, 7 3 ....Humphrey Foster
4 Reefer (Sir G Hyde), Scobie, 7, 7 3 ....Robertson
434 Lost Scent (Mr G Wootton), Wootton, 4 7 1 ....Sharples
010 Xenia (Mr F Esmond), J Jarvis, 3 7 ....Blackshaw
450 Prudent Act (Sir T Dixon) M Peacock, 4, 6 13 ....Christie
10 Vanvitelli (Lord Harewood), W Jarvis, 5, 6 11 ....Richardson
050 St Botolph (Mr P W Dennis), Digby, 5, 6 8 ....Mitchell

D Smith rides Atout Royal or Bahuddin.

Following Are Also Engaged:— yrs st lb
Black Domino (Mr M Field), B-Rochfort 4 8 7
0 Theddingworth (Mr M Field), B-Rochfort 4 7 13
00 Mickey Mouse (Lord Portman), P Beary 4 7 9

Betting Forecast.—7 Bahuddin, 8 Law Court, 10 Chrysler II, Mansur, Haulfryn, 100—8 Dytchley, Magnetique, Solitaire, Orchalque, 100—6 Sileve Mish, Vanvitelli, Citadel, 20 Satanic, Lost Scent, St. Botolph, 35 others.

Last year's winner—Cariff (W Nevett, 5, 8 12), 5—1 (fav). M Peacock.

THE SCOUT'S HUNT CUP LONG SHOT

2.30—SQUADRON CASTLE

How Favourites Fare

The following table shows the profit or loss on a level stake of £1 on all favourites and second favourites, the best races for favourites, and the most successful trainers and jockeys for the past eight meetings corresponding to today's meeting at Ascot.

Favourites.—Aggregate loss £15 5s 4d.
Second Favourites.—Aggregate profit £8 10s.
Best Races For Favourites.—3.30, 4 winners. 4.30, 4 winners
Winning Jockeys.—G. Richards 6, Nevett 5, H. Wragg 4, and Beary 4.
Winning Trainers.—F. Darling 8, Lawson 7, Pk. Butters 5.

TRAINING HINTS

NEWMARKET.—The Royal Hunt Cup presents a difficult problem, but unless I am mistaken Fairey is going to require a deal of beating, wires the Daily Express resident correspondent. His Majesty's colt has done particularly well since running below expectations at Kempton, and will appreciate the shorter journey here.

Midstream showed to fine advantage in a recent gallop. Pegasus, who is attractively weighted on his best form, Laureat II. and Noble Turk are in excellent trim and genuinely fancied.

More to my liking is Fairplay, who seems to improve with every race and is bound to go close. Cordilleras has some useful form to her credit, and is just the sort to create a surprise, but I think Fairey each way is the safest solution.

SELECTIONS.—1.30, Signature. 2.30, Fairey (e.w.). 3.0, Open Door. 3.30, Solfo (nap). 4.0, Gainsborough Lass. 4.30, Foray. 5.0, Spinalot.

DOUBLE.—Solfo and Foray.

Reports from Daily Express resident correspondents at provincial centres are summarised below:—

1.30.—Columelle (Lambourn) fancied. Plaster Cast (Manton) each way.

2.30.—Finalist (Lambourn) fancied. Hocus Pocus (Michel Grove) good horse, worth support. El Sbaa (Insley) good each way. Gunboat (Foxhill) each way. Voltus (Upper Lambourn) a place. Marmaduke Jinks (Richmond) fancied. Couvert (Beckhampton) good each way. Artist's Prince (Epsom) fancied.

3.0.—Timur (Royston) each way. Golden Eagle (Michel Grove) go close. Lohengrin (Tilshead) each way. What a Lad (Epsom) each way. Libertine II. (Lambourn) fancied.

3.30.—Merry Mathew (Middleham) good. Senor (Whatcombe) each way.

4.0.—Revenderie (Beckhampton) good each way. Penicuik (Manton) good. Fieldfare (Michel Grove) want beating.

4.30.—Diplomat (Epsom) fancied. Carissa (Richmond) fancied.

5.0.—Magnet (Lambourn) go close. Law Court (Epsom) each way. Solitaire (Richmond) each way. Fedor (Findon) place. The Fent (Tilshead) each way. Severino (Manton) fancied.

Horses For Courses

ASCOT.—Right-hand circular course of one mile six furlongs 148 yards. First half is nearly on descent and the last half (Old Mile) is exactly one mile and uphill the greater part of the way. Swinley course is the last mile and a half. New course is one mile five furlongs and fifteen yards. Hunt Cup course, seven furlongs and 155 yards, is straight and uphill all the way. T.Y.C. is the last five furlongs of Hunt Cup course. High numbers are best.

2.30.—Finalist (June 1935, 7f 155yds), 8.13, H Wragg. Fairey (June 1936, 1m), 8 7, Perryman.

3.30.—Fair Copy (June 1936, 5f), 8 12, Perryman. Le Grand Duc (June 1936, 5f), 9, C Smirke.

LOWTHER LEES BEATEN

World champion Pierre Etchebaster gave 15 and beat Lowther Lees, British amateur and open champion, 6—3, 6—2, 6—5, in an exhibition tennis match at Queen's Club, London, yesterday.

FRED PERRY WINS AGAIN

Fred Perry beat Ellsworth Vines 6—4, 6—4, 6—2, in the second match of their Irish tour in Dublin yesterday. Perry also won the first match on Monday.

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Course Jottings

BY OUR COURSE CORRESPONDENT

ASCOT, Tuesday.

I DO not intend to get caught up in the Sally Andrews vortex: these last-minute rushes so often turn out to be misleading. Long-priced winners are more the rule than the exception in the Hunt Cup. If all I hear is true one of the light-weights which, in view of the "noughts" it has as form figures, you might pass over will maintain the reputation.

My selection is Squadron Castle. His history is interesting. As a two-year-old, trained by Higgs at Blewbury, he beat Fairplay by three lengths and at level weights.

Last season he failed to score in eleven attempts but he seldom got what might be called a reasonable weight. For instance, in the seven furlong Town Handicap at Doncaster he gave Sally Andrews 15lbs., and only received 6lbs. from Commander III. Earlier, at Ascot, he was set to give Fairey 15lbs.

Turn to the weights tomorrow, and I think you'll agree that Squadron Castle has never been better handicapped.

He has changed stables, too, this season, and horses, like humans, enjoy a change of air. Both his races this year have been over ten furlongs—in my opinion just three furlongs too far. I am told he is as fit as a fiddle, and I hope to see him increase our Cold Scent profits.

Selections: 1.30, Earthstopper; 2.30, Squadron Castle. 3.0, Fairag; 3.30, Merry Mathew (if ab Tweedledee); 4.0, Black Lashes; 4.30 Diplomat; 5.0, Bahuddin.

SERVICES PARI-MUTUEL

(5/- unit—stake not included.)

ASCOT

1.30.—Cold Scent win 40-10 place 7-10; Sandsprite place 3-10 Winnebar place 17-10.
2.30.—Valerian win 52-10, place 14-10; Kept-On, place 30-10 Sir Calidore place 42-10.
3.0.—Mirza II win 4-10, place 1-10; Onslaught place 17-10, Silver Spear II place 55-10.
3.30.—Fearless Fox win 12-10, place 3-10; Union Jack place 37-10, Silversol place 7-10.
4.0.—Queen of Simla win 456-10, place 108-10; Kelpie place 21-10, Soda place 73-10.
4.30.—Tempest II win 41-10 place 8-10; Daytona place 6-10 Tract place 46-10.
5.0.—Gown II win 27-10, place 9-10; Full Sail place 27-10

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS

Royal Hunt Cup.—Royal Salute, at 9 a.m. yesterday. Tempest II at 10.20 a.m. yesterday. Gold Vase.—Bookseller and Plaster Cast, by 10 p.m. Monday.

SPORTSMAN'S DIARY

CRICKET

NEW ZEALAND TOUR.
LANCASHIRE v NEW ZEALANDERS, Preston.
COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP.
KENT v GLAMORGAN, Tonbridge.
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SOMERSET v WORCESTERSHIRE, Bath.
WARWICKSHIRE v SUSSEX Birmingham.
OTHER FIRST-CLASS MATCHES.
ESSEX v CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY, Brentwood
OXFORD UNIVERSITY v LEICESTERSHIRE.
MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP.
Surrey II v Devon, Oval—Glamorgan II v Middlesex II, Ebbw Vale—Hertfordshire v Suffolk, Watford.
Boys' Match,—Essex v London, Chelmsford.
ATHLETICS.—Victoria Park H meeting.
BASEBALL.—Birmingham Combination: O.C. Hawks v Lucas (7). Birmingham and District Cup.—Second round: Trams v Mullineers (7). Oxfordshire League (7.30).—Tinstock v Co-op Doughboys—Chipping Norton Blue Boys v Ascot.
BOWLS.—Hastings women's tournament—Margate Challenge Cup final—London and S.C.B.A. North v South, Selborne, Southgate and Malden—Tottenham and Dist B.A. v London Parks B.A. Hurst's Park Tenders End—Wembley v Middlesex County Executive—Ilford v E.S.A. President—Beckenham v Kent County Executive—Leicestershire v Mid-Wales—Yeovil v Bucks County tourists.
GOLF.—Daily Mirror Assistants tournament (Southern Section), Hartsbourne Manor—Irish amateur championship, Munster—Midland Counties C.A. meeting, Sutton Coldfield—West of England open championship, Exeter—Golf Illustrated Gold Vase, West Herts Watford—Bystander women's Scottish foursomes, Gleneagles
LAWN TENNIS.—Queen's Club tournament—Southern qualifying competitions Roehampton and Hurlingham.
RACING.—Ascot.
SPEEDWAY RACING.—New Cross v West Ham (National League, 8.15)—Birmingham v Southampton (Coronation Cup, 8)
SWIMMING.—Oxford University v Public Schools O.B.S.A., St Paul's School—Mermaid 150 yards back-stroke championship, Hampstead Baths—Wimbledon S.C. v Hammersmith Ladies' S.C. (women's water polo match).

Clive Graham's Gossip

WESTON HAS 2 BRILLIANT RACES

ASCOT, Tuesday.

IT'S a wonder that I can find room to get my pencil out of my pocket to write about Ascot this year. Never have I seen such a crowd.

It was almost impossible to move in the paddock without tripping over some one's umbrella or barging into a dowager.

Heigh ho! It looked a day indeed for a pauper to become a millionaire. The first shock was Sandsprite in the Prince of Wales's Stakes. On Derby form it seemed any odds on him beating Cold Scent.

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The unlikely happened. Sir Abe Bailey, at the way the stock markets had been shaping, fully expected to find his fancied runners finishing second and third. The luck actually was with him. One should rather give Weston full credit for riding two brilliant races on Cold Scent and Valerian.

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"What am I to do now with Kept-On?" Vernall Hobbs asked me despairingly, after his unlucky horse had been narrowly beaten by Valerian in the Ascot Stakes.

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"Give him to me!" I hazarded. "Can't do that Mr. Graham," he replied, and added: "When you're writing your article don't forget to mention Taylor. He could not have ridden a better race."

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Like Mumtaz Mahal

MIRZA II. got loose last night when being led round the paddock. Such events always become magnified at Ascot. "Mirza II.," I was told, "has no chance! He bucked off his rider at exercise this morning and dragged him all the way round the course."

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Nevertheless Mirza II. won the Coventry Stakes in a style reminiscent of his dam Mumtaz Mahal. He showed such speed that the others could never catch Inigo him. Make a note of Onslaught. It is not long odds against Lord Derby's magnificently framed colt winning next year's Derby.

I was interested also in Miss Paget's Jubilee Day (Solario-Dorigen). This two-year-old is not nearly fully developed yet but he will be a racehorse one day. Perhaps we will not see him at his best until next year for he is a big fellow.

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The moderate Hunting Cup was entrusted with the task of making a strong pace for Fearless Fox in the Gold Vase. He did this to the best of his ability—a mile and a quarter. He jogged past the post footsore and weary a long way last. He had fulfilled his mission, though, for the one-paced Fearless Fox was thus enabled to outstay the opposition.

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Cool Riding

CHARLIE ELLIOTT rode a perfect judge race on Goya II. in the St. James's Palace Stakes. He rode Mr. Boussac's colt coolly through to the finish to win quite comfortably. Cash Book never promised to win, and I fear the blinkered Le Grand Duc is not genuine.

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But for Brownie Carslake Darius would have landed the Queen Anne Stakes for us. Carslake excelled himself on Tempest II. The most incredible thing about the race was the position of Tract at the finish. Archie Binns used to claim that he was the only jockey who could ride this horse properly. Harry Wragg seems to know a thing or two about the job.

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The best bet tomorrow is Mansur in the Dessborough Stakes (5.0). Carslake beat us for our nap today, so let us hope that he will now recompense us fully. I am told that Flying Thoughts II. will win the Royal Hunt Cup (2.30), and I think Lohengrin a good each-way bet for the Chesham Stakes.

What The Book Says

DIPLOMAT was the running over course totally suited to him in the Fern Hill Stakes. He showed something of his two-year-old brilliance when carrying 9st. 8lbs. to victory in the Red Rose Stakes at Manchester last month (6 furlongs) and is confidently expected to account for all the opposition.

Hunt Cup Probables, Jockeys And Colours

FOLLOWING are probable starters and jockeys for the Royal Hunt Cup, to be run at Ascot this afternoon (2.30), giving names of owners, the colours to be carried, trainers, and figures in front of horses' names, which indicate this season's form:—

023 FINALIST (Lady Ball), br g by Winalot—Finery, 5, 9 1 (flame red, cap gold collar, cuffs and cap) O Bell ....H Wragg
1 COMMANDER III (Mr N Christey), b h by McKinley—Comerita, 7, 8 11 (green and white stripes, white sleeves and cap) Capt C F Elsey H Perryman
0 HOCUS POCUS (Mr H Gray), br c by Mascot—Henna Girl, 4, 8 5 (scarlet, white belt) V P Gilpin ....S Wragg
0 FAIRRY (His Majesty), b c by Fairway—Polish Air, 4, 8 4 (purple, gold braid, scarlet sleeves, black velvet cap, gold fringe). W R Jarvis J Crouch
221 LAUREAT II (Mr M Benson), gr h by Grazing—Languette, 5, 8 4 (cerise, dark blue quartered cap). Capt Whitaker ....M Beary
221 FAIRPLAY (Mr R Middleman), b c by Fairway—Mountain Crag, 4, 8 3 (orange, black sleeves and sash, quartered cap). P Alden ....P Maher
1 MIDSTREAM (Mr Anthony de Rothschild), b c by Blandford—Midsummer, 4, 8 0 (dark blue, yellow cap). T E Leader ....W Rickaby
130 REMEMBER II (Lord Portal), b c by Dark Japan—Remembrance, 4, 7 13 (flame, black cross-belts). F S Butters ....Gordon Richards
PEGASUS (Mr J P Hornung), b g by Pommern—Lady Phœbe, 6, 7 12 (white, black spots, black sleeves, red cap). B Jarvis ....T Lowrey
040 NOBLE TURK (Mr Alfred Sainsbury), b g by Noble Star—Delman, 4, 7 11 (violet, orange sleeves, quartered cap). G Barling ....E Smith
323 EL SBAA (Miss M Lark), ch h by Aethelstan—Zerka, 6, 7 11 (maroon, buff hooped sleeves, buff cap). G Todd ....W Sibbritt
0 GUNBOAT (Mr J B Joel), b g by Diomedes—Warspite, 5, 7 11 (black, scarlet cap). C Peck ....A Burns
00 NIP AWAY (Mr J E Cottrell), b g by Buen Ojo—Nippy, 5, 7 10 (black, amber hooped sleeves, amber cap) F J P Gilbert ....K Griffin
00 LOVELY ROSA (Sir Abe Bailey), b f by Tolgus—Napoule, 4, 7 9 (black and gold hoops, gold cap). H L Cottrill ....T Weston
000 VOLTUS (Mr E. Manners), b h by Writ—Varsity, 5, 7 8 (blue, yellow stars, blue cap). V Hobbs ....J Sirett
01 SALLY ANDREWS (Mr W Carr), b m by Twelve Pointer—Princess Joan, 5, 7 8 (brown, apricot sleeves, collar and cap). W Carr ....W Nevett
100 MARMADUKE JINKS (Mrs C B Robinson), gr g by Mr Jinks—Mill Belle, 5, 7 7 (delphinium blue, black star on back, quartered cap) H Peacock ....D Smith
4 GIOVINEZZA (Mr James A de Rothschild), b f by Sardanapale—Ombre Aura, 4, 7 6 (dark blue, yellow chevrons, and cap). F C Pratt ....W Wing
00 SQUADRON CASTLE (Mrs P W Ahern), br c by Mr Jinks—Laverock, 4, 7 4 (sea green, mauve collar and cuffs,