Mirza II. may beat a stable companion

By THE SCOUT *(Cyril Luckman)*

NEWMARKET, Tuesday.

THE rapid recovery of Tahir doubles the Aga Khan's hopes and considerably increases interest in tomorrow's Two Thousand Guineas.

I want to make it clear that Tahir's slight lameness was merely a mischance.

He is perfectly sound otherwise and Frank Butters made sure by working Smirke's mount this morning.

Khan Bahadur will not also run, but he may be a Derby hope.

No doubt Tahir is regarded in the formidable stable as the Aga Khan's main hope and a most likely winner.

Whether or not I choose Portmarnock, Tahir or Pasch for the Derby purposes in five weeks' time, for the first classic tomorrow I shall rely on the Aga Khan's brilliant

MIRZA II.

Some only consider him as the "second string"—but he won Newbury's Greenham and has been fully keyed up for this test over the Rowley Mile.

When Harry Wragg was given a big retainer, owner and trainer dared not hope that galloping conditions would remain so ideal for a doubtful stayer. We see every day the value of winning form.

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"Waiting" may pay

I THINK Wragg will endeavour to do the overhauling. Though waiting tactics did not pay when Portmarnock beat "Mirza" at Doncaster, I thought the loser was never on the right leg on that occasion.

When opposite methods were employed later at Newmarket he stopped to a walk a furlong out and was caught by Scottish Union.

His conquerors have not had a race this season. Scottish Union's gallop showed him to be well forward and I know he is strongly fancied, but I gather at Newmarket that Boyd-Rochfort has not hurried Portmarnock at all.

This good colt is Derby favourite. That is the goal, for they do not think the extra half mile at Epsom will be too far.

I have not heard definitely whether Glen Loan runs, for he needs softer ground, but the Kempton failure Unbreakable will accompany Portmarnock in different ownership.

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IT seems remarkable that Unbreakable was a better favourite to give newcomer Pasch 15lbs. at Kempton.

Tahir was also at that disadvantage in weight, but ran on more generously to get third without being given a hard race. Tetratema's son stays better than you would think.

Fred Darling has no doubt on that score about Pasch and is sure that he trains a good 'un again. Pasch won easily in spite of running green and staring around. I should not like to say what he had in hand and "money is speaking."

Many won't hear of defeat, but I think Tahir may just turn the tables—and the Aga Khan once more get two in the leading three in a classic.

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I CANNOT fancy the Manton pair Ramrapa and Pound Foolish under present conditions, which may also be against Lohengrin, but Fred Butters's Campion may be nearer Mirza II. this time in a faster gallop.

The northerner Pactolus may beat Caerloptic and Faris II., but I have in mind the French invader Rafano as the best of the longer-priced lot. He is fit, and a mile on the top of the ground will suit Epinard's son. Like Rodosto he has stamina limitations.

Perryman, who rode three winners today—Greenwich, Aquavit and Tin Hat—may be on Magic Circle, but he has a better chance of winning on Fair Copy in the Chippenham Stakes.

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LORD DERBY introduced successfully today a nice Fairway colt in Greenwich. River Prince rallied splendidly up the hill, after looking well beaten, and held the challenge of Asheratt, but Greenwich's pull of 12lbs. told by a length and a half. River Prince, drawn No. 1, came on the outside of the lot.

A mile and a half was obviously not far enough for the one-paced Satanic, who did not set up a long enough lead in the Thurlow Handicap. Kidderminster was the first to collar him, and then Double Bracket came through on the rails like a winner, but Bird's Eye settled them and also the top weight Magnetique.

It is perhaps as well for other owners that a big spring handicap coup was not projected with Noble Venture, who ran away with another race.

Dhoti followed with another easy win all the way. Some backers had only to lay 5—2 on. Golden Fox finished stronger than the backed Quarteroon, but I would sooner follow the third, for Golden Fox was switching his tail.

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NEWMARKET
3.15—MIRZA II.
Double:
Mr. Know-All and Mirza II.
April 27, 1938. THE SCOUT.

Training hints

NEWMARKET.—As far as we are concerned the Two Thousand Guineas rests between Mirza II. and Portmarnock, wires the Daily Express resident correspondent.

Portmarnock possesses the necessary stamina, and if he reproduces the form shown in his winding-up gallop I think he will win.

Those on the look-out for a genuine outsider might support Paris II. each way.

SELECTIONS.—2.0, Mr. Know-All; 2.30, Perifox; 3.15, Portmarnock (nap); 3.50 Montesano; 4.20, Evermine; 4.50, Waples.

DOUBLE.—Portmarnock and Mr. Know-All.

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

2.0.—Scottish Rifle (Marlborough) good each way. Misty River (Royston) fair chance.

2.30.—Columcille (Lambourn) good. Cold Scent (Manton) go close.

3.15.—Pasch (Beckhampton) good. Campion (Kingsclere) fancied. Lohengrin (Chilton) each way. Pactolus (Middleham) fit and well. Rantapa (Marlton) expected. Scottish Union (Druid's Lodge) fancied.

4.20.—Vervelle f. (Lambourn) fancied. Spritely (Beckhampton) go close. Night Singer (Michel Grove) speedy and fancied.

4.50.—Blue Star (Wantage) fancied. Unlikely (Weyhill) nap

Course jottings

By OUR COURSE CORRESPONDENT

NEWMARKET, Tuesday.

MR. KNOW-ALL'S form in running Little Flutter colt to two lengths at Warwick should make his chance good in the Barrow Stakes tomorrow, for Little Flutter colt came out again later at Lingfield and pulverised a big field of two-year-olds.

Selections.—2.0, * Mr. Know-All; 3.15 Campion; 4.20, Enfold; 4.50, Fanteen.

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NEWMARKET

SAFETY BET. 3.15.—Mirza II.

	2.0. 5f.	2.30. 1m. 5f.	3.15. 1m.	3.50. 7f.	4.20. 5f.	4.50. 6f.
THE SCOUT	Mr. Know-All (nb.) (If ab Longhurst)	Fair Copy (If ab Columcille)	Mirza II (nap) Rafano (long shot)	Sheer Off (If ab La Sansugere)	Spritely (If ab Enfold)	Fairshaw (If ab Dangan)
WHAT THE BOOK SAYS	—	Columcille	Portmarnock (nap)	Carlton II.	—	Fanteen
TATTENHAM (S. Express)	Longhurst (If ab Dame of the Garter)	Morland	Pasch (nap) 1 Portmarnock 2 Tahir 3	Legend of France (If ab Kind Kitty)	Enfold (If ab Spritely)	Blue Star

THE SCOUT'S TOTE DOUBLE.—Mirza II. and Spritely (alt. Enfold).

2,000 Guineas probables

THE first of the season's classics, the Two Thousand Guineas, will be run at 3.15 this afternoon over the Rowley Mile at Newmarket. Each runner carries 9st. Following are the probable starters, with pedigrees, this season's form, owners, colours, trainers and jockeys:—

4 MAGIC CIRCLE (Mr R L Angus), ch c by Miracle—Fairy Friend (Chocolate and light blue, quartered, light blue sleeves, chocolate cap, light blue tassel) (H L Cottrill) ..... R Perryman

TYRAM TAG (Mrs H H Asquith), br c by Tolonia—Sharp Tag (Blue, red, blue and gold sash, red cap) (A Balding) ..... —

0 POUND FOOLISH (Lord Astor), b c by Blandford—Pennycomequick (Light blue, pink sash and cap) (J Lawson) ..... R A Jones

CAVE MAN (Lord Astor), b c by Manamead—Miss Cavendish (Light blue, pink sash and cap) (J Lawson) ..... —

RAMTAPA (Sir Abe Bailey), br c by Rustom Pasha—Sultan Ranee (Black and gold hoops, gold cap) (J Lawson) ..... T Weston

CAERLOPTIC (Sir Abe Bailey), b c by Caerleon—Soloptic (Black and gold hoops, gold cap) (H L Cottrill) ..... F Lane

1 PACTOLUS (Mr R Bownass), ch c by Pharos—Myrica (Red, white sleeves, blue and white quartered cap) (M J Peacock) ..... W Nerett

21 FARIS II (Mr E Esmond), b c by Dastur-Firouze Ranee (White, blue sleeves, yellow cap) (J Jarvis) ..... E Smith

10 RAFANO (Princess de Faucigny-Lucinge), ch c by Epinard—Ramondie (Yellow and red hoops, red sleeves, yellow cap) (H Count, in France) R Brethes

TAHIR (H.H. Aga Khan), b or gr c by Tetratema—Qurrat-al-Ain (Green and chocolate hoops, chocolate cap) (Frank Butters) ..... C Smirke

1 MIRZA II (H.H. Aga Khan), gr c by Blenheim—Mumtaz Mahal (Green and chocolate hoops, chocolate cap) (Frank Butters) ..... H Wragg

4 CAMPION (Lord Monck), b c by Cameronian—Sword Play (Black and Eton blue, halved, white cap) (Fred Butters) ..... T Lowrey

1 PASCH (Mr. H E Morriss), b c by Blandford—Pascha (Rose, black and rose hooped cap) (F Darling) ..... Gdn Richards

GLEN LOAN (Mrs W Murray), b c by Loaningdale—Abbot's Glen (Coral pink, jade green belt and cap) (Capt C Boyd-Rochfort) ..... D Smith

SCARABEN (Mrs. F Nugle), b c by Sansovino—Young Entry (Rifle green, red cross-belts, black velvet cap, silver tassel) (Hugh Powney) .. F Herbert

LOHENGRIN (Lord Portman), br c by Bold Archer—Sweet Swan (Black, orange sleeves, cardinal cap) (P Beary) ..... M Beary

BLANDSTAR (H.H. Maharaja of Rajpipla), b c by Blandford—Musical Star (Purple, cream sash, quartered cap) (G Duller) ..... D Butchers

SCOTTISH UNION (Mr James V Rank), b c by Cameronian—Trustful (Royal blue and primrose, quartered, primrose sleeves, royal blue cap) (N Cannon) ..... B Carslake

SEVENTH WONDER (Mrs J Shand), b c by Pharos—Benvenuta Cellini (Lavender and white stripes, white sleeves and cap) (W Carr) .... —

PORTMARNOCK (Sir Humphrey de Trafford), b c by Fairway—Derk's Double (Scarlet and white quartered) (Capt C Boyd-Rochfort) .. P Beasley

0 UNBREAKABLE (Mr J E Widener), br c by Sickle—Blue Grass (Scarlet and white stripes, black cap) (Capt C Boyd-Rochfort) ..... J Sirett

Also engaged: The Wain (Mr Burgess), R J Colling; Eildon Hill (Brig-Gen Lambton), Lawson; Khan Bahadur (H.H. Aga Khan), P Butters. Glen Loan is a doubtful starter.

For latest betting see below.

REST OF NEWMARKET CARD

Stewards: The Stewards of the Jockey Club.
TOTE DOUBLE.—3.15 and 4.20.
*Denotes entitled to apprentice allowance.

2.0—HARROW (S) STAKES (2-Y.O.). £200 added. Five furlongs.

2 Mr Know-all (Mr J Hare), R J Colling, 8 12 ..... Beasley
9 Scottish Rifle (Mr S Wilkinson), Laye, 8 12 ..... Gdn Richards
7 Olympiad (Sir C Hyde), Scobie, 8 9 ..... S Wragg
Indian Rose II (Sir R Adams), Adams, 8 9 ..... Newsom
00 Pomagne (Major T G N Bardwell), T E Leader, 8 9 Perryman
Misty River (Mr A B Briscoe), Briscoe, 8 9 ..... Stephenson
Usna Lass f (Mr A S Chapman), Laurence, 8 9 ..... Gethin
0 Cancelled (Mr P Dunnet), R W Colling, 8 9 ..... Simpson
0 Airshot (Mr W C Earl), Earl, 8 9 ..... Rickaby
00 Blonde Venus (Mr T H Parr), Jelliss, 8 9 ..... Lowrey
0 Brescia (Lord Harewood), W Jarvis, 8 9 ..... Richardson
0 Dame of the Garter (Mr H Leader), H Leader, 8 9 ..... —
30 Longhurst (Mr Z G Mitchilings), F Bullock, 8 9 ..... Sibbritt
0 Good Value (Capt B A P Schreiber), Digby, 8 9 ..... Mitchell
0 Helianthis (Mr H Sidebottom), Sidebottom, 8 9 ..... Southey
Dame Agnes f (Mr W Wagstaff), G Sadler, 8 9 ..... H Clayton
0 Elance g (Mr A Smith-Bingham), R J Colling, 8 9 ..... Evans
Also engaged: Knysna.

Betting Forecast.—5—2 Mr Know-All, 9—2 Pomagne, 11—2 Scottish Rifle, 6 Longhurst, 9 Brescia, 10 Olympiad, 100—8 Indian Rose II, 100—6 others.

1937: Fire Raiser (Hawcroft, 8st 9lbs), 6—1. Adams.

2.30—CHIPPENHAM STAKES. £500 added. One mile four furlongs.

Fair Copy (Lord Derby), C Leader, 4, 9 3 ..... Perryman
02 Columcille (Lord Londonderry), O Bell, 5, 9 3 ..... H Wragg
Flares (Mr W Woodward), B-Rochfort, 5, 9 3 ..... Beasley
Perifox (Mr W Woodward), B-Rochfort, 5, 8 13 ..... Beasley
Cold Scent (Sir A Bailey), Lawson, 4, 8 13 ..... Weston
0 Gothic (*Mary Lady Abergavenny*), Whitaker, 4, 8 5 ..... Maher
Also engaged: Valerian, Buckleigh, Chulmleigh, Monument, Boswell, Dragonnade, Master Matty.

Betting Forecast.—6—4 Perifox (or Flares), 3 Columcille, 9—2 Fair Copy, 6 Cold Scent, 100—8 Gothic.

1937: Magnet (Gdn Richards, 4, 8 9), 4—1. F Templeman.

3.15—TWO THOUSAND GUINEAS STAKES. 2,000 guineas added. *One mile.*
FOR PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS SEE ABOVE.

Last Night's Victoria Club, London, Cal-over Prices.—3 Pasch, 6 Portmarnock, 100—15 Tahir, 100—12 Mirza II, 17—2 Scottish Union, 100—8 Rantapa, 100—9 Unbreakable, Lohengrin, 20 Rafano, Pactolus, 25 Epinard, 33 Pound Foolish, Caerloptic, Campion, 33 Glen Loan, Magic Circle, Bland Star, 50 Seventh Wonder, 66 Cave Man, 100 Scaraben, Tyram Tag.

1937: Le Ksar (Sembiat, 9), 20—1. France.

3.50—SOMERSHAM STAKES. £200 added. Seven furlongs.

Kind Kitty (Sir J Jarvis), J Jarvis, 4, 9 4 ..... E Smith
4 Montesano (Mr F W Williams), J Jarvis, 5, 9 3 ..... Lowrey
Michoumy (Mr J V Rank), N Cannon, 5, 9 ..... —
La Sansugere (Lady Beatty), Beatty, 4, 7 12 ..... Weston
Foxbrush (His Majesty), W Jarvis, 3, 7 5 ..... Richardson
Clea (Lt Col J A Thompson), C Langlands, 3, 7 5 ..... —
Betagain (Lord Astor), Lawson, 3, 7 2 ..... —
Sandune (Comdr T A Benskin), Earl, 3, 7 2 ..... D Smith
Carillon II (Miss Corn) Laurence, 3, 7 2 ..... —
Bright Eyes (Mr P L Johnson), C Peck, 3, 7 2 ..... Maher
Millinocket (Mr J H Whitney), B-Rochfort, 3, 7 2 ..... Sirett
Also engaged: Luminous Star, Legend of France, Manor Flat, *Rattoo, Sheer Off, Loventor, Theodora.*

Betting Forecast.—2 Montesano, 7—2 Kind Kitty, 5 Foxbrush, 8 Millinocket, Betagain, 100—8 La Sansugere 100—6 others.

1937: Aldwych (G Richards, 4, 8 1), 7—4 (fav). W Jarvis.

4.20—WILBRAHAM STAKES (2-Y-O FILLIES). £200 added. Five furlongs.

Renee (Sir G Bullough), J Jarvis, 8 8 ..... Levett
Causeway (Mrs D Carlisle), Jelliss, 8 8 ..... Lowrey
02 Vervelle f (Sir H Cunliffe-Owen), O Bell, 8 8 ..... H Wragg
Lerway (Lord Derby), Cottrill, 8 8 ..... Perryman
Young (Mrs W Earl), Earl, 8 8 ..... —
2 Spritely (Lord Ellesmere), F Darling, 8 8 ..... Gdn Richards
Flying Sands (Mr H Forester), H Leader, 8 8 ..... —
Lady of the Night (Mrs Glorney), H J Colling, 8 8 ..... Evans
Miss Linley (Mr P L Johnson), C Peck, 8 8 ..... Maher
Persian Folly (H.H. Aga Khan), Butters, 8 8 ..... Smirke
Fair Joy (H.H. Aga Khan), Pk Butters, 8 8 ..... D Smith
Night Singer (Duke of Norfolk), Gilpin, 8 8 ..... —
Bemax f (Mrs G Peck), G Sadler, 8 8 ..... H Clayton
Roman Spring (Sir L Philipps), J Jarvis, 8 8 ..... E Smith
Evermine (Mrs J V Rank), Beatty, 8 8 ..... Carslake
04 Philippa lass (H.H. Rajah of Sarawak), H Sadler, 8 8 R A Jones
2 Enfold (Mr J E Widener), B-Rochfort, 8 8 ..... Beasley
Also engaged: Greek Law, Sewaby, Green Fee, Loving Cup, Agatino, Romney Blue, Grande Duchesse.

Betting Forecast.—7—4 Enfold, 11—4 Spritely, 9—2 Vervelle f, 8 Persian Folly, 100—8 Fair Joy, Evermine, 100—6 others.

1937: Claire de Lune (T Weston, 8 8), 9—4 (fav). F Bullock.

4.50—BRETBY HCAP, Sweepstakes, £200 added. Six furlongs.

San Miguel (Lord Derby), C Leader, 3, 8 5 ..... Perryman
2 Blue Star (Mrs Lonsdale), P Bell, 6, 8 2 ..... Robertson
0 Glorella (Miss F Schreiber), Digby, 4, 8 ..... Sirett
00 Fanteen (Mr Brown), H Powney, 6, 7 13 ..... Weston
Lynedoch (Lt-Col H P Green), Sneyd, 4, 7 13 ..... Sprague*
4 Dangan (Miss H Cowley), Whitaker, 3, 7 13 ..... Maher
0 Fairshaw (Mr R Jarvis), Blackburn, 6, 7 12 ..... S F Clayton*
Waples (Mr G Digby), Digby, 3, 7 11 ..... —
Toucher-pas (Mr Dudley B Joel), Earl, 6, 7 10 ..... —
414 Unlikely (Baron F de Tuyll), F Hartigan, 10, 7 8 ..... Sirett
0 Miss Robin (Mr Geoffrey Dilbey), Whitman, 5, 7 ..... D Smith
Also engaged: Over Coat, Carnival Boy, Royal Crusade, Grey Monarch, America, Gibbons, Caffyna, Mannance, Hands Off.

Betting Forecast.—2 Waples, 11—4 Unlikely, 9—2 Blue Star, 7 Dangan, 8 Fairshaw, 10 San Miguel, 100—8 Miss Robin, Fanteen, 100—6 others.

1937: Black Speck (Nevett, 4, 8 1), 100—9. N Cannon.

What the book says

PORTMARNOCK was only once beaten as a juvenile. By his defeat of Mirza II. and Golden Sovereign at Doncaster he earned the championship title. He has pleased in his preparation, and should win the 2,000 Guineas (3.15).

Horses for courses

NEWMARKET.

2.30.—Buckleigh (Oct 1937, 2½m), 9 2, B Carslake, (Oct 1935, 1¾m), 8 10, E O Elliott, (Apl 1935, 1m), 8 5, Gdn Richards; Columcille (Oct 1935, 1m), 8 8, H Wragg; Fair Copy (Oct 1936, 6f), 9, R Perryman; Flares (Oct 1937, 1¼m), 9, P Beasley, (Oct 1937, 1¾m), 8 5, P Beasley, (May 1937, 1½m), 8 2, P Beasley, (May 1936, 1½m), P Beasley; Monument (Oct 1937, 1¼m), 9, P Beasley, (Apl 1936, 1m), 8 5, P Beasley; Perifox (May 1937, 1½m), 9 8, P Beasley.

3.15.—Paris II (Apl 1938, 1m), 8 9, W Rickaby; Mirza II (May 1937, 5f), 8 9, C Smirke; Scottish Union (Oct 1937, 6f), 9, Gdn Richards.

4.50.—America (Oct 1937, 5f), 9, R Jones; Fairshaw (Oct 1936, 7f), 7 13, T Lowrey, (Apl 1935, 7f), 8, T Lowrey; Ipswich (Apl 1937, 5f), 9 5, H Carslake, (Apl 1937, 5f), 8 9, B Carslake; Jubilee (Apl 1937, 5f), 9 3, J Crouch; Over Coat (Apl 1937, 6f), 8 6, M Beary.

Clive Graham's gossip

SMART NEWCOMER GREENWICH IS ONE TO FOLLOW

NEWMARKET, Tuesday.

PASCH is not the only newcomer who may make a stir in the Derby betting. Lord Derby's Greenwich made a most satisfactory debut today when easily beating River Prince in the Hastings Stakes.

The colt has not been hurried, and there is still plenty of room for improvement. He has more substance to him than some Fairways, and is one whose career is worth following closely.

I talked before the race with Bouillon, rider of the fancied Asheratt, a winner in France this year.

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The French jockey thinks Newmarket a fine course—but was rather uncertain an hour before the race as to which of the several winning posts was the right one for the Hastings Stakes! (I can sympathise.)

Asheratt flattered until a furlong from the finish.

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Satanic appeared to be pulling "two double" at the top of Bushes Hill in the Thurlow Handicap. A second later Douglas Smith was feeling for his whip on a beaten horse. Satanic went from being a prospective winner to a certain loser in two strides.

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Perryman sat still for five furlongs to win the Maiden Two-Year-Old Stakes on Aquavit. "Jack" Leader's filly won by five lengths from Cillata filly, with the slow-starting Royal Mascot third. Royal Mascot did really well to gain a place.

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Eddowes won the Apprentice Plate so easily on Noble Venture that he was looking anxiously over his shoulder in the last furlong. Perhaps he wondered whether it had been a false start!

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I expect the Two Thousand Guineas tomorrow to be won by Pasch or Tahir—probably Pasch—but Tahir will start at the longer odds. The best bet on the race, therefore, should be Tahir (each way).

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The best bet of the day may be Enfold (4.20). Columcille likes the firm ground, and should be hard to beat for the Chippenham Stakes (2.30).

How favourites fare

Favourites.—Aggregate loss £3 0s 5d.
Second favourites.—Aggregate profit £2 5s 4d.

Best races for favourites.—2.0, 5 winners; 2.30, 4 winners; 3.50, 3 winners.

Winning trainers.—W Jarvis 4, J Jarvis 4, F Darling 4.

Winning jockeys.—Gdn Richards 6, T Weston 4. (Only three winning favourites of the 2,000 Guineas since Tetratema won in 1920).

BEATEN LAST TIME OUT.

2.30.—Valerian (Newmarket, 1/7/37, 1¼m); Fair Copy (Newmarket, 26/10/37, 1¼m).

3.15.—Magic Circle (Newmarket, 5/4/38, 7f); Ramtapa (Newmarket, 28/10/37, 7f); Unbreakable (Kempton Park, 16/4/38, 1m).

3.50.—Montesano (Lincoln, 23/3/38, 7f).

4.50.—Gibbons (Bogside, 6/4/38, 1m).

† Odds on. * Jt favourite.

NEWMARKET DETAILS

GOING FIRM.

2.0—APPRENTICE PLATE. Value £149. One mile two furlongs.
Noble Venture, ch g Noble Star—Stedina, Mr F W Cundell, 5, 8 10 (The Scout's sel) ..... W Eddowes 1
Happy Crossing, Mr E J Marshall, 3, 7 4 ..... A Hennessy 2
Prato, Lord Derby, 3, 6 11 ..... W Griggs 3
Also: Lawreen (F Quested), Coalblack (W Pell), Cleti (H Smirke), Joyland (J Halpin), Witchford Lad (L Smith), Salmon Rod (A Appleby). Nine ran.
S.P.—6—4 Noble Venture, 2 Happy Crossing, 6 Prato, 100—7 Coalblack 20 others. Tote.—Win, 3s 3d; places, 2s 3d, 2s 5d, 2s 8d.
Five lengths, neck. Salmon Rod fourth. L Cundell Aston Tirrold. Time, 2mins 13 4-5secs.

2.30—FIRST SPRING TWO-YEAR-OLD STAKES. Value £741 10s. Five furlongs
Dhoti, ch c Dastur—Tricky Aunt, H.H. Aga Khan, 9 5 (The Scout's sel) ..C Smirke 1
Golden Fox, Mr W Woodward, 8 9, P Beasley 2
Quarteroon, Major D McCalmont, 8 9 ..... B Carslake 3
Also: Circlet (W Nevett), Blandong (J Smith), Pretty Shot g (P Maher), Maiden's Choice (Gdn Richards), Sugar Kandy (M Beary), Ozanne (E Smith). Nine ran.
S.P.—11 1 Dhoti, 4 Quarteroon, 10 Golden Fox, 20 Maiden's Choice, 33 others. Tote.—Win, 2s 10d; places, 2s 1d, 2s 6d, 2s 7d.
Three lengths; half-length. Blandong fourth. Frank Butters, Newmarket. Time, 1min 1 1-5 sec.

3.0—THURLOW H'CAP SWEEPSTAKES. Value £383. One mile four furlongs.
Bird's Eye, bl g Buen Ojo—Jacasta, Lady V Henderson, 7, 7 13 ..... H Sprague 1
Magnetique, Lord Ellesmere, 6, 9 6 ..E Smith 2
Kidderminster, Lord Harewood, 5, 8 4 ..... A Richardson 3
Also: Rao Sahib (W Rickaby), Sieve Mish (H Wragg), Double Bracket (Gdn Richards), Paladin (T Lowrey), Tout Change (S Middleton), Satanic (D Smith). Nine ran.
S.P.—9—2 Satanic, 5 Double Bracket, 11—2 Magnetique, 13—2 Bird's Eye, Sieve Mish, 7 Kidderminster, 100—1 Rao Sahib, 20 others. Tote.—Win, 13s; places, 4s 5d, 5s 2d, 5s 11d.
Two lengths; neck. Double bracket fourth. Sneyd, Sparsholt. Time, 2mins 42 1-5secs.

3.30—HASTINGS STAKES (3-Y.O.). Value £710. One mile two furlongs.
Greenwich, ch c Fairway—Rose Red, Lord Derby, 8 7 ..... R Perryman 1
River Prince, Duke of Marlborough, 9 5 (The Scout's sel) ..... P Beasley 2
Asheratt, Baron E de Rothschild, 8 11 ..... C Bouillon 3
Also: Fairing (T Weston), Corltani (W Rickaby), Turbulent (T Lowrey). Six ran.
S.P.—11 8 River Prince, 3 Asheratt, 4 Greenwich, 100—6 Fairing, 20 Turbulent, 33 Corltani. Tote.—Win 9s 5d; places, 4s 1d; 5s.
One and a half lengths; same. Fairing fourth. C Leader, Newmarket. Time, 2mins 13secs.

4.0—MAIDEN TWO-YEAR-OLD STAKES. Value £400. Five furlongs.
Aquavit, ch f by Le Phare—Aquaint, Mr H Leader, 8 9 (The Scout's nap and s.b.) R Perryman 1
Cillata f, Mr C J Horton, 8 9 ...P Beasley 2
Royal Mascot, Lord Glanely, 8 12 ..M Beary 3
Also: Fleur c (A Richardson), Dain (J Sirett), Book Rest (B A Jones), Bucolic c (T Lowrey), Ormidale (D Smith), Korda (J Simpson), Son o' the Sea (T Weston), Avena (J Crouch), Yashmak (Gordon Richards), Madame Royale II (W Nevett), Clavis (S Wragg), Lady Goolmine f (Humphrey Peaker), Joyous f (W Rickaby), Brasso (T Hascroft), Glanerian (E Smith), Mondamin (F Herbert), Babel II (P Evans), Hunton (P Maher), Royal Plush f (Cliff Richards). Twenty-two ran.
S.P.—10—1 Aquavit, 9—2 Clavis, 11—2 Cillata f, 100—9 Royal Mascot, 100—6 Yashmak, Madame Royale II, 25 others. Tote.—Win, 4s; places, 2s 5d, 3s 9d, 4s 6d.
Five lengths; three. Brasso fourth. H Leader, Newmarket. Time, 1min 1 4-5secs.

4.30—RUSHY THREE-YEAR-OLD H'CAP. Value £337. Seven furlongs.
Tin Hat, b c Shef) Transport—Hat Box, Mr L Lysaght, 8 8 ..... R Perryman 1
Henrici, Mr J S Austen, 8 4 ..... P Evans 2
Slip In, Mr J R Hanbury, 7 11 (The Scout's sel) ..... D Smith 3
Also: Chiddingfold (Cliff Richards), Tetrane (T Lowrey), The Plainsman (Gdn Richards), Gay Sprite (M Beary), Chinceley (W Nevett), Norton Rambler (P Maher), Blueberry (E Smith), Amorgos (W Griggs). Eleven ran.
S.P.—4 Blueberry, 9—2 Slip In, Tin Hat, 7 Chinceley, 8 The Plainsman, Tetrane, 100—8 Gay Sprite, Hengist, Amorgos, 20 others. Tote.—Win, 9s 8d; places, 4s 5d, 10s 11d, 4s 1d.
Six lengths; three-quarters of a length. The Plainsman fourth. T E Leader, Newmarket. Time, 1min 27 1-5secs.

TOTE DOUBLE.—Bird's Eye and Aquavit, dividend £7 1s. TOTE INVESTORS LTD, Evening Standard substituted horses. Double Bracket and Aquavit.

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NEWMARKET.

2.0.—Noble Venture win 14-10, place 2-10; Happy Crossing place 3-10; Prato place 11-10.
2.30.—Dhoti win 5-10, place 1-10; Golden Fox place 13-10; Quarteroon place 6-10.
3.0.—Bird's Eye win 62-10, place 14-10; Magnetique place 18-10, Kidderminster place 13-10. Forecast 252-10.
3.30.—Greenwich win 42-10 place 12-10; River Prince place 6-10.
4.0.—Aquavit win 11-10 place 1-10; Cillata place 18-10. Royal Mascot place 24-10.
4.30.—Tin Hat win 41-10 place 11-10; Henrici place 37-10. Slip In place 12-10.

HEXHAM

DAILY EXPRESS SELECTIONS

2.15, Claude Duval (If ab Ariston). 2.45, Prince Drabant (If ab Templeboy). 3.15, Rebector (If ab Announceer). 3.45, Lord Archie (If ab Hill Song). 4.15, Legis (If ab Tetratina). 4.45, Heather Mixture (If ab Ethedon).

Today's Shirley race meeting has been abandoned, the going being too hard.

ONLY TWO DOGS ENTERED FOR THE 'NATIONAL'

By J. S. BRADFORD

A SECOND entry was received yesterday for the greyhound Grand National—that of the privately trained Cranagh Tom.

I congratulate the owner and trainer of this dog who have declared their intentions six days before the race finally closes.

There are tonight five potential Grand National candidates competing in an open event at Wembley; and there are fifteen National "certainties" entered for a three-heat open hurdles at Catford tomorrow, only one of whom, Grakle, has been entered, as yet, for the jumping classic.

If owners and trainers and track managements would care to see a hundred or so letters I have received on this subject of delayed entries I shall be happy to oblige them.

Briefly, the public want to know at least a fortnight before a big race is due to start what dogs are likely to run in the race concerned.

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FIRST HURDLES RACE

TAKE tonight's race at Wembley. Five runners here. Though Craigie Melody is in the race, I put Mr. Flintham's ex-classic competitor on the flat, Bealtaine, at the top of the tree.

Here is a novice jumper—this will be his first race over hurdles—who, I feel sure, we shall see not only in the National but very nearly a last-minute favourite for the National.

Bealtaine, after classic outings last year, had a long winter's rest. He came back to get through the first round of the Wood Lane Stakes this year, and then had a jumping trial at his home track, Wimbledon, in which he was only two lengths behind 29.54 seconds for the 500 yards course.

He jumps a bit high at the moment, but his speed on the flat is capable of carrying him past even Craigie Melody, as well as Battery Light and The Co-Respondent, his two other rivals this evening.

These four dogs look certain National runners. How much added glamour would be added to their efforts this evening if they had been entered already!

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HOPE FOR FINE MARK

AND what of Bealtaine's conqueror in this great trial, Fine Mark by name, and a grand Wimbledon flat-racer, whose owner, I believe, has seen a chance of scooping in a famous trophy and £300, the reward for a National winner, by putting his novice jumper over hurdles?

Fine Mark won his trial, as I have said, in 29.54 seconds. Spectacular time. He will, I am sure, be a National entry too. How much more interesting it, less than a fortnight before the start of the National itself, we knew that he, Juvenile Classic, Craigie Melody, Ocean Ploughboy, Kilo Monarch, Gretna Boro, Lemon's Ring, and so on were all entries for this race!

Well, something will be done before long about it. One of two things. Either closing the races concerned earlier than has been the past custom, or by a drastic alteration of the financial conditions of entry for outstanding open events.

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BEST AT HARRINGAY

BEST bet at Harringay tonight should be Mr. and Mrs. Lockhart-Mummery's "pick" from the "Mick—Greta" litter, Charming Prince.

The "Prince" will probably improve with age more than any of his illustrious brothers and sisters. If he could only improve his "trapping" he would be in open-race class already.

Kleer-a Hed, that oddly named Harringay dog—I never know if his name is meant to imply a clear lead all through a race, or the need for aspirins—runs in a Popular Plate at Wimbledon this evening.

He breaks quickly and is just about open race class. He has won one already, but I fancy Paddy Fortune's charge, Arion Blood, may be too good for him here.

TONIGHT'S SELECTIONS

HARRINGAY.—8.0, Melksham Norman, 8.19, Kilcurry Rover, 8.34, Future Crond, 8.51, Real Talent, 9.8, Blue Danielli, 9.25, Congleton Echo, 9.42, Charming Prince (nap), 9.59, Ross's Fancy.

WEMBLEY.—8.0, Jason Hill, 8.15, Bealtaine (nap), 8.32, Maldon's Gyro, 8.48, Poetic Bachelor, 9.5, Bletchingley Rover, 9.21, Holmwood Jim, 9.38, Jiggford, 9.55, Silver Braddan.

WIMBLEDON.—8.0, Rongalai, 8.15, Greystone Plan, 8.30, Knocksakelly Rover, 8.45, Flash Perry, 9.0, Shandy Gaff (nap), 9.15, Avion Blood, 9.30, Bestrew, 9.45, Golden Hills.

SOUTHEND.—8.0, Oulwood, 8.15, Tipphow, 8.30, Holystone Herb, 8.45, Bold Biffy II, 9.0, Dorman's Coronation, 9.15, Tic Knight, 9.30, Trating Nelson (nap), 9.45, Matching Roy.

HARD COURT LAWN TENNIS

(Seeded players in capitals.)

MEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP

Holder: H. W. Austin.

SECOND ROUND.

Y PETRA (France) bt L Shain (6—2, 5—4, 6—4); M C Weslan (Australia) bt T Henderson-Brooks (6—2, 6—4); H D Delaford bt J H Ho (China) (6—3, 6—4, 6—2, 6—1); T Jones bt H Billington (6—4, 6—3, 3—6, 6—4); W C Chew (China) bt P M Davis (6—2, 6—3, 3—6, 6—2); E Bedell bt C P Curtis (6—4, 6—0, 6—3); C J Malfroy (N Zealand) bt R Morton (6—1, 6—4, 7—5); Khe sin Kie (China) bt H G N LEE (6—1, 6—4, 6—1).

THIRD ROUND.

H W AUSTIN bt P J Pierce (6—4, 4—6, 6—0, 6—3).

WOMEN'S DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP

Holders: Miss E. M. Dearman and Miss J. Ingram.

FIRST ROUND

Miss R M Hardwick and Miss M Whitmarsh bt Miss C Douglas and Miss H M Culmer (6—1, 6—2); Miss H S Cooke and Miss D M I Hoare bt Miss J Fryeck and Miss C E Weyard (6—0, 10—8); Miss J Marquis and Miss M Mudell w.o., Miss E Dutton and Miss V G Valentine-Brown scr; Mrs A F F Lutt (of Ayr) and Miss E Ayton bt Miss E M Hayden and Miss F M Holden (6—2, 3—7, 6—1); Miss G C Heasman and Miss M Wilson w.o., Miss M Julian and Miss P M Yorke scr; Miss J SAUNDERS and Miss V E. SCOTT bt Mrs A H Mellows and Miss M Isacke (7—5, 4—6