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PERAK NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Taiping, 20th Aug.

MR. Arthur Stephens left Taiping on Friday last on three months' holiday to Australia where he expects to meet a brother he has not seen for nearly thirty-six years. During Mr. Stephens' absence Mr. H. Farnvall from Batu Gajah will act as Conservator of Forests, Perak.

A scheme is on foot to light the New Club by electricity and if successful it is hoped that the Municipal Fathers will once more try and persuade the authorities to use it throughout the town.

Mr. Moss is making the most of the wet weather to get the cricket ground in decent order again. All the swampy portion in front of the scoring box is being returfed and drained and two new tennis courts will soon be available and will allow of games being started at 4 p.m. without fear of interference from the sun.

The Filipino Circus left for Ipoh on Friday after showing here for ten nights only. Rain and a Chinese boycott are said to be chiefly responsible for the short stay in Taiping.

I suppose your readers will expect a few tips, for the races commence next Thursday, so as to enable the men to have some one to blame when their wives want an account of how the money has been spent. The Maiden Plate only having two entries has fallen through and in its stead a six furlong handicap for galloways has been substituted but, as the handicaps have not yet been published, I can only tip one and that is Termite. Next on the card is the Champion Griffin Race, run over a mile, and, in the absence of Corythea, who has been off the track for a week I must tip...

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Choto, with Lode Star for place money. Race 3, the Taiping Purse, for all galloways 13.3 and under, appears to lie between Blue Belle 9.8 and Nipper 9.2, who is credited with having run 4 furlongs in 52 sec.; whether the latter can stay remains to be seen, but as Blue Belle, with Mr. Walker up, will get a 5lb. allowance, I must select her as the pick of the bunch, with Killiecrankie as a likely one to run into the vacant place. The Taiping Derby has only three nominations and Jim Gosper should easily bag this. The Ex-griffin Handicap, on paper, looks a real good thing for Banshee, with Madame Meg as second best. The Krian Stakes has eight nominations and, as Rifleman is a doubtful starter, I shall select Diplomatic, erratic as he is, to just about win, with Malapert as the runner up. In race 7 I can safely star one and that is the speedy Dreamland, who is the one soft thing on the first day in most people's opinion. The day's racing concludes with a selling race, for which I expect there will only be three runners, of which Mandolin should prove the best. I have put the cart before the horse and omitted the Second Griffin Race, which will be a close thing between Golden Lad and the Penang-trained Ricochet. My selections will now read :--

RACE I.

Termite

RACE II.

Choto	...	...	...	1
Lode Star	...	...	...	2
Kalde	...	...	...	3

RACE III.

Blue Belle	...	...	...	1
The Nipper	...	...	...	2

RACE IV.

Jim Gosper

RACE V.

Banshee	...	...	...	1
Madame Meg	...	...	...	2

RACE VI.

Diplomatic	...	...	...	1
Malapert	...	...	...	2

RACE VII.

Dreamland

RACE VIII.

Golden Lad	...	...	...	1
Ricochet	...	...	...	2

RACE IX.

Mandolin

The course is very soft and should give all the cripples a chance of picking up a race. This year, I understand, there is to be no pari-mutuel, but as we have a tote and two bookies in Messrs. Artie Tully and Christy, the most reckless of us should easily find a way of getting rid of any surplus cash or running further into debt.

Railway, was sent down for 2 months R. I. by Mr. Rowley on Friday, for breaking the seals of a goods truck. He apparently was under the influence of liquor at the time, but even that is no excuse and the authorities are to be commended for treating such cases with a firm hand.

It is rumoured that the D. C. P. and the staff of clerks are to be moved almost immediately to Ipoh, but, as no quarters are yet available, it is likely that the M. S. G. tents will be requisitioned as soon as the Regiment returns from Singapore.

A CASE of rabies has occurred at Port Dickson, says the *Perak Pioneer*. And this so soon after Penang. We wish the dog-shooters good sport.

THE Chinese are permitted by the Chief Police Officer to burn sacrificial papers on the sides of the public thoroughfares during the Seventh Moon Festival from 20th August to 17th September, both days inclusive, between the hours of 6 a. m. and 10 p. m. In Northam Road, Union Street, Anson Road, McAlister Road, Farquhar Street, Esplanade, and in any road where there is likely to be much traffic this privilege is not granted.

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