PERPLEXING MARKET ON AUTUMN HANDICAPS.

Opening Day of the First October Meeting at Newmarket.

GREY FRIARS' SELECTIONS.

Pure Gem remains in strong favouritism for the Cesarewitch, while the puzzle with regard to Mr. Lambton's pair, Glacis and Perseverance II., grows apparently more perplexing. Since Demure has been practically dismissed for that race, Brewer's stable pops up in the betting with All Black, the latter a game, honest horse, but one of whose staying-power there is no evidence. However, All Black now figures at 14 to 1 for the Cesarewitch.

The slight injury suffered by Demure has been of small account, as the mare has resumed two-mile work.

The First October Meeting, which opens to-day at Newmarket, may provide interesting racing, but it will be, as usual, very quiet on the social side.

Lambton's stable should be seen in good form this afternoon, and it would seem Maher may figure as winning jockey in several races.

The crack colt, Bayardo, will have little to do in winning the Buckenham Stakes for Manton, which establishment, by the way, is responsible for half a dozen youngsters in that race.

SELECTIONS FOR NEWMARKET.

2. 0.—Trial Plate—PERSINUS.
2.30.—Buckenham Stakes—BAYARDO.
3. 0.—Maiden Two-Year-Old Plate—BRIDGE OF EARN.
3.30.—First Nursery—CHOUGH.
4. 0.—Great Foal Stakes—SIBERIA or SILENT LADY.
4.30.—Visitors' Handicap—WHYTE MELVILLE.
5. 0.—Triennial Produce Stakes—VADA.

SPECIAL SELECTION.

PERSINUS.

GREY FRIARS.

NEWMARKET PROGRAMME.

2.0.—TRIAL SELLING PLATE, 300 sovs; 6f.

	yrs	st	lb		yrs	st	lb
aLord Carton	4	9	7	Pooklet	3	8	4
aGalleot	4	9	0	aBeeswax	4	8	4
Honor Bright	4	9	0	Japan	a	8	4
aPersinus	6	8	11	aHistoric	3	7	11
Fire Clay	5	8	11	aPeter Parley	3	7	11
aScotch Lad	4	8	7	aRaroa	3	7	11
aSir Cyril	3	8	7	The Lieutenant	2	7	5
Bobrinski	a	8	7	aGrey Coronet	2	6	12
American Lad	6	8	7	aSosana	2	6	9
Olympian	4	8	7	Chapel Bell	2	6	9
aPal o' Mine	4	8	4	Claude	2	6	9
aVenetian Lad	4	8	4				

2.30.—BUCKENHAM STAKES, of 300 sovs each, h ft, for two-year-olds; 5f, 134y.

	st	lb		st	lb
aSeminole	9	0	aSairedi f	8	11
aLuck Lady c	9	0	Sceptre f	8	11
aHalfway	9	0	Knightshade f	8	11
aBayardo	9	0	Highness	8	11
Chimera c	9	0	Lady Vista	8	11
Phaleron	9	0	Bonnie Lassie	8	11
Principality c	9	0	Vivario	8	11
Pennymuir	9	0	Collet Monte	8	11
aBonnie Bay	8	11	Blue Cap	8	11
aPerola	8	11			

3.0.—MAIDEN T.-Y.-O. PLATE, 103 sovs; 6f.

	st	lb		st	lb
aAnceps	9	0	aCullindoch	8	4
aBridge of Earn	9	0	aV.H.S.	8	4
aQuarry	9	0	aOyster Shell	8	4
aIvanoff	9	0	aSolo	8	4
Lawn Sand	9	0	aRosalura g	8	1
aVirginia Earle c	9	0	aAbbotsford	8	1
Grand Duc	9	0	aIda	8	1
Word of Honour f	8	11	aMinnivey	8	1
aVirtus c	8	4			

3.30.—FIRST NURSERY HANDICAP of 5 sovs each for starters, with 200 sovs added; 5f.

	st	lb		st	lb
aMinoru	9	0	Grianne	7	5
aDetonator	9	0	aLamford	7	4
aFortifier	8	0	aChough	7	4
aPaiga	8	0	aTornado	7	2
aGaiana	7	9	aSmuggler	6	13
aVelotte	7	9	aDrupe	6	12
aHumorist	7	9	aOrnate	6	9
Clarilaw	7	9	aScotch Laddie	6	9
aJack Horner	7	8	Snap	6	9
aJaquemart f	7	7	aSagitta f	6	8
Lovelock	7	6	aDiamond Cut Diamond	6	6
aMeta Burke f	7	5	aSuffer	6	0
aOstras	7	5			
aBurwood	7	5			

4.0.—THIRTIETH GREAT FOAL STAKES of 10 sovs each for starters, with 1,000 added, for three-year-olds; 1½m.

	st	lb		st	lb
Boar's Head	8	12	Warden of the Marches	7	13
aSignorinetta	8	11	aSea Spray	7	10
aSiberia	8	11	aMerlin	7	10
aSilent Lady	8	9	Escalade f	7	8
aSea King	8	7	Queen of Fortune	7	7
aQueenstown	8	7	aQuercus	7	6
Knightlight	8	7	England's King	7	6
aCollege	8	4	aJonathan	7	3
Cymbal	8	4	aAureola	7	1
Greator	8	4	aCarmen	6	12
aCovenantes	7	13	aSymington Toll	6	12
Sandflake c	7	13	Soligena	6	12
Carpathian	7	13			

4.30.—VISITORS' PLATE (handicap), 103 sovs; 6f.

	yrs	st	lb		yrs	st	lb
aGalleot	4	8	7	aResemblance	3	6	7
Whyte Melville	3	8	5	Peradventure	3	6	7
aVerdy	3	8	3	aPastry	3	6	4
Retrenchment	3	7	12	aIridescence	3	6	3
aCamoens	6	7	9	aAmpanam	3	6	3
aTell Said	4	7	8	aOrange Blossom	3	6	3
aWitherslack	3	7	8	aChaff	3	6	2
aYvette	3	7	5	aCorridor g	4	6	2
Flying Scud	3	7	0	aClaudian	3	6	0
aChieveley	3	6	11	Petrena	3	6	0
aNancy Lee	4	6	11				

5.0.—FIFTY-NINTH TRIENNIAL PRODUCE STAKES of 10 sovs each, h ft, with 500 sovs added, and 100 sovs for nominator of the winner; for four-year-olds; 2m.

	st	lb		st	lb
aVada	8	7	aGolden Sand	7	7
aEllingham	7	10	aHard Crust	7	1
aThe Ring	7	8	Sicilian	7	1
aFinchale	7	7			

LATEST LONDON BETTING.

CESAREWITCH.

100 to 30 agst Pure Gem (t, o)
15 — 2 — Glacis (o, after 7 to 1, t)
100 to 7 agst Perseverance II. (t, o)
100 — 7 — All Black (t, o)
33 — 1 — Carnegie (t)

CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

100 — 6 — Pure Gem (t)
20 — 1 — Land League (t, o)

IMPORTANT SCRATCHINGS.

Jockey Club Stakes, Newmarket.—Back Answer and Mimiague.

All engagements this year (including Cesarewitch).—Baltinglass.

At Edinburgh last evening Scotland beat England at water polo by 3 goals to 2.

LONDON CUP MATCHES.

Arsenal Win at Fulham—Rough Game at Homerton.

THE POSITION OF LEYTON.

The first round of the London Football Association Cup, a competition in which London's professional clubs in membership with the L.F.A. compete against some of the strongest of the amateur bodies, was commenced yesterday. Some of the matches should be very good ones, such encounters as the one between Fulham and Woolwich Arsenal, which was played yesterday, attracting much better crowds than the Western League scrambles. Moreover, the play was keener.

Fryer, the famous goalkeeper, who was unable to turn out at all last season owing to a broken arm, played for Fulham yesterday. Neither side was quite at full strength, but the Arsenal in all departments were clearly the better side, and throughout the game controlled the exchanges. Only one point was scored. The result of a weak clearance by Ross, the Fulham back, was that C. Satterthwaite scored easily for the Arsenal, who thus enter the second round.

The other match played yesterday was not so pleasant to watch. The London Caledonians were opposed to Clapton Orient, and in a rough-and-tumble match, in which Cup-tie feeling got the better of some of the players, the Caliles were beaten by 4 to 1, after holding the lead for the greater part of the game. It is a pity that these roughing tactics should have been introduced into a match in which amateur and professional players were engaged, for they brought the closing stages of the game down to a level below the capabilities of both sets of players. Perhaps the L.F.A. will have their first judicial function with regard to professional football in connection with this game. A strong position must be taken up at once and maintained.

Queen's Park Rangers played another pointless draw in a Southern League match yesterday. It is the fourth drawn match the champions have taken part in in eight games. They have won twice and lost twice; have scored three goals and lost four. A curious record, certainly.

The Leyton F.C. are in trouble with the F.A. They had to play their English Cup-tie last Saturday week with Romford, and also a Southern League match with Luton. They were between the devil and the deep sea, for they were bound to play their best side in the Southern League match, under a penalty of £100. On the same subject, the F.A. rule says:—

> The Cup shall be competed for annually, in accordance with the rules, by eleven members, who, unless a satisfactory reason is given, shall represent the full available strength of each competing club.

Leyton's weak team beat Romford all right by 1 to 0, but the "village team" protested that Leyton were not at full strength, and so the F.A., finding that their rules had been broken, yesterday awarded £10 compensation to Romford and fined Leyton an additional £40. This was, of course, cheaper than the £100 of the Southern League. The alternative was, of course, to have postponed the Southern League match with Luton, which would have entailed paying compensation to the Bedfordshire club. So perhaps, after all, Leyton got out cheaply. But what about the further qualifying rounds of the competition?

CITIZEN.

LONDON F.A. CUP.

FULHAM, 0; WOOLWICH ARSENAL, 1.—Scoring the only goal in a fairly good game at Craven Cottage, Woolwich Arsenal qualified yesterday for the second round of the new competition organised by the London Association. Both clubs made five changes in the teams that did duty on Saturday, but, whereas Fulham were seriously weakened, the Arsenal were well served by the substitutes.

On an extremely warm afternoon, with the sun shining brightly across the ground, the players were a good deal handicapped, and, under the circumstances, the game proved quite an interesting one to watch.

The Arsenal had the best of the early play, but the only difficult shot Fryer had to deal with was by Raybould. Occasionally the Fulham forwards showed some good passing. Millington shot wide and hit the bar after a corner, but generally the Arsenal, among whom Gray played particularly well at back, maintained a very strong defence.

In trying to clear after some strong Arsenal attacks Ross kicked the ball weakly against Satterthwaite, who utilised the opportunity to shoot high into the net with his left foot. This was five minutes from half-time.

Subsequently the Arsenal were again the superior side, although unable to increase their lead. Fulham missed a good chance of equalising, McDonald falling after Dalrymple had hit the post, and Millington putting the ball outside an open goal. Then the Arsenal had nearly all the play, Crowle, Lee, and Satterthwaite doing well among the forwards. There were about 6,000 spectators.

CLAPTON ORIENT, 4; LONDON CALEDONIANS, 1.—With the imperative necessity before them of winning a match, the Clapton Orient management put out the strongest available eleven for this match, played before 1,500 spectators at Homerton. It was probably the same pressing reason which induced the Orientals to play roughly at one stage of the game, and there would have been no cause for complaint had one or two of the players received marching orders. As it was, the Caliles retaliated in the same spirit, and the closing stages of the game sadly degenerated.

The home side had a rare fright, for an hour of the game went by before they were able to score and put themselves on an equality with their strenuous opponents. After that, however, superior stamina and training told, and the Orient won easily.

The only goal of the first half was rather luckily obtained by Wallace for the Caliles off a particularly well-placed corner kick by Porter, Bower fisting the ball on to Wallace's chest right under the bar. Guy Watson kept goal splendidly, and saved in somewhat sensational fashion time after time, but was eventually rushed through ball and all and the scores made equal.

Afterwards the Caliles were only occasional visitors at the other end, while Shaw twice and Thompson once scored goals for the Orient.

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SOUTHERN LEAGUE.

BRENTFORD, 0; QUEEN'S PARK RANGERS, 0.—At Brentford, in summer heat, before 6,000 spectators. The home team had four changes from the Brighton match, and the Rangers played Skilton for Mackenzie at centre forward. Brentford had the better of a kick-and-rush first half, but nothing was scored owing to Shaw's fine goalkeeping. Shaw made further good saves in the second, but Brentford's shooting might have been better.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

At Celtic Park: Celtic, 1; Third Lanark, 0.
At Aberdeen: Aberdeen, 1; Queen's Park, 1.
At Glasgow: Clyde, 3; Partick Thistle, 2.
At Glasgow: Rangers, 2; Dundee, 0.

CLUB MATCH.

LEYTON, 4; ASTON VILLA, 3.—Although seven goals were registered at Leyton, where Leyton beat Aston Villa by 4 to 3 in a "friendly," it was rather a poor game. The match had reference to the transfer of Skiller, the goalkeeper, who "kept" for Leyton last season.

Aston Villa, who were represented by practically a reserve team, gave a trial to Taylor at right half-back. Leyton scored twice during the first half through Moles.

Aston Villa reduced the lead through Kearns soon after the change of ends, but Aylward then scored twice more for Leyton. Before the finish Whittaker and Kearns found the net for the visitors.

Skiller, who kept goal for Aston Villa, saved several good shots. There were 3,000 spectators.

RUGBY RULES.

GLOUCESTER, 3pts.; CINDERFORD, 3pts.—Played at Gloucester. The City were short of Neale, Gent, Elliott, and H. Smith, the Foresters being strongly represented. Welshman landed a penalty goal for Gloucester within three minutes of the start, and no further scoring took place before the interval, though both teams missed chances. Cinderford were stronger in the second half, and Horner scored a try, no goal resulting.

MOUNTAIN ASH, 10pts.; PLYMOUTH, 8.—A strenuous game at Mountain Ash ended in a win for the home team by 10 points to 8. Everything favoured a good game, and a large crowd attended. After Peters had scored a try and placed a goal for Plymouth, the home team went ahead, but only won after a hard fight.

GOLF AT ST. ANDREWS.

A large number of well-known golfers, including the Right Hon. A. J. Balfour, were practising on the old course at St. Andrews yesterday in anticipation of the Royal and Ancient Club's autumn meeting, which takes place to-morrow. Showery weather prevailed, and the greens were somewhat heavy.

In the morning Mr. R. W. Cook and Mr. C. S. Everard beat Mr. A. MacAllen and Mr. E. Balfour Melville in an ordinary foursome. The Hon. W. North beat Mr. H. Underdown by 5 and 2, and Mr. Leslie Balfour Melville beat Mr. C. Hutchings by 4 and 3. Mr. L. Balfour Melville went out in 57. Mr. A. Patton, receiving a third, beat both Mr. James Younger and Mr. J. E. Otto by 2 and 1.

In the afternoon Mr. A. J. Balfour played a round with the Hon. E. Charteris and Captain C. K. Hutchison. The Hon. W. F. North beat Mr. H. Underdown by 6 and 4, and Mr. J. K. B. Blackwell beat Mr. A. F. Simson by 3 and 2. In a thirty-six hole foursome Mr. J. L. Low and Mr. W. E. Fairlie beat Mr. Norman F. Hunter and Mr. T. Mansfield Hunter by 6 and 5.

LONDON PRESS GOLFING SOCIETY.

At Southall yesterday the London Press Golfing Society held an eighteen holes stroke competition, under handicap, for a valuable silver rose bowl, presented by Mr. Robert Donald. Of the twenty-four starters, Mr. Gilbert L. Jessop, the well-known Gloucestershire cricketer, showed the best form, and, with a score of 74 less 3, equals 71, made the bowl his own property. His gross score was only one stroke worse than Mr. C. T. Hazell's amateur record for the course.

Another celebrated cricketer, in Mr. G. W. Beldam, made the second best gross score—viz., 77. The best returns were as follow:—Mr. Gilbert L. Jessop, 74 less 3, equals 71 (winner); Mr. Guy L'Estrange, 82 less 7, equals 75; Mr. G. A. Riddell, 84 less 8, equals 76; Mr. C. F. Ward, 93 less 17, equals 76; Mr. G. W. Beldam, 77 plus 1, equals 78; and Mr. E. H. Maxwell, 83 less 4, equals 79.

BOWLING AT BLACKPOOL.

The fourth week's play in the thirty-sixth annual bowling tournament at Blackpool was commenced yesterday, when forty-two out of the 153 games still remaining in the second round were decided. The proceedings were extremely interesting, owing to the presence of many noteworthy players, of whom E. Barton (Great Harwood) and G. Hart (Blackrod), who have both twice figured previously in the final, were the most prominent winners.

Others who qualified for the third round were H. Collins (Hollinwood), R. Parkinson (Sailor Prince, Blackpool), J. Southern (Darwen), R. Butter (Blackrod), B. Hall (Platt Bridge), J. Wilson (Chorley), R. Winstanley (Buxton), C. Farrington (Howe Bridge), and J. Bromilow, jun. (Leigh), a strongly fancied and heavily favoured candidate.

INMAN BILLIARDS CHAMPION.

Melbourne Inman, the only professional to send in a challenge for the billiards championship, was yesterday granted a certificate by the Billiards Association, who decided to acknowledge his claim to the title.

The matter of the Billiards Control Club was fully discussed, and the committee came to the conclusion that they did not feel called upon to take any special action. At present the rules of the Billiards Association would remain in force, and amateurs playing in public without a permit from the association in any game where a charge was made for admission would render themselves liable to the forfeiture of their amateur status.

It was decided to call a special general meeting of the association some time in November, at which a resolution would be submitted to the effect that no professional or billiard-table maker should in future have any vote at general meetings or any voice in the government of the association.

SPORTING NEWS ITEMS.

The entry for the Scottish professional golf championship, which takes place at Cardross, Dumbartonshire, on Thursday and Friday next, closed yesterday. No fewer than eighty players have sent in their names.

Playing in a four-ball golf foursome at Enfield, Mr. C. B. Macfarlane went round in a score of 67 (33 out, 34 home). The score is said to be the best ever accomplished on the links, but as it was not done in a competition the club cannot regard it as a record.

The first annual gala of the General Motor-Cab Company S.C. takes place to-night at Lambeth Baths. Included in the programme are final tie Surrey Competition, Division II.; Barry S.C. v. Croydon Dolphin S.C.; and an 88 yards scratch race for London licensed cab-drivers.

The Highgate C.C. held a fifty miles handicap over a northern course during the week-end. Fastest time, 2h. 24m. 50s., was made by E. R. Ashton, who also won the handicap. This time beats course record by no less than five minutes, and is two minutes faster than the previous best over any northern course.

The three days' sea angling festival at Southend concluded yesterday with further competitions from the pier and a number of boats. On Saturday and Sunday the best boat catches weighed in for the Borough of Southend challenge shield scaled from 7lb. 13½oz. to 10½lb., but these takes were excelled yesterday by one of 12½lb., made by Mr. W. H. Smith, of the Southend Amateur Angling Society, who thus won the shield for his club. Mr. F. S. Whatley, of the same club, gained the pier challenge cup with a 3½lb. basket.

AUSTRALIANS ON THEMSELVES.

Pen Snapshots by Members of the Team on Their Comrades.

SIDE OF GOOD FELLOWS.

The Australian side, who started their tour with a win against Devon by 24 points to 3 last Saturday, are going to be about the most popular set of men who ever left any country. Their chief charm lies, perhaps, in their utter absence of conceit and their extraordinary willingness to do anything for anybody.

Then they are possessed of a fine fund of humour, and are great on practical jokes. The following are a few opinions written about each other by each other. The Australians sleep, as a rule, two in a room, and most of these sketches have been done by the subject's stable-companion:—

Dr. H. Moran.—Learnt his football in the great public school Riverview. On his admittance to Sydney University played for that team, and was one of their most dashing players, representing the 'Varsity for three years in all its engagements. After taking his degree he became resident medical officer of the Newcastle Hospital, but found time to continue his football. He came to Sydney as captain of the Northern District team. He won his place in the interstate team, and afterwards in the Australian team. A very keen enthusiast in the game, he never feels disinclined to do the arduous duties necessary for training purposes, and as such has won the confidence of his men. We more familiarly call him Paddy, though his right name is Herbert.—Jas. McMahon.

M. MacArthur.—Know very little about him. Travelled in the same boat for six weeks, and slept same room four nights. Apparently no vices. As a footballer, multum in parvo, a good dribbler, fast follower up, and plays the game.—Esmond Parkinson.

P. Flanagan.—One of Queensland's best. A dashing forward, and still improving, especially as a sidestepper.

The Waratah, the badge worn on hat and jersey by the Australian footballers.

Has two stations in Queensland, so would be a great catch, and he is still disengaged. A fine fellow, and the greatest character in the team.—H. F. Daly.

C. A. Hammond.—A 'Varsity student of medicine, with extreme ideas of killing people by science and medicines. His opinions seem to point to the fact that Christian science is the safest cure. Sleeps very sound; does not dream or get nightmare, or suffer from walking in his sleep. He appears to thoroughly enjoy slumber, and appreciates it so very much that it needs an earthquake to arouse him in the morning to go for his walk. Very much in love with circus-coloured socks and patent-leather boots. Hangs everything up on the floor when retiring at night. Very fast in the open, does nothing under cover.—R. R. Craig.

Edie Mandible.—Presents a stiff front of almost anything. A player who does not know what fear is. Is a great rush-stopper, and is possessed of a cool head, and seizes every opportunity to open things up. He will bridge almost any gap in the ugliest rushes of the situation. Can handle the game from almost any position. The owner of a large station in Woolloomooloo.—R. R. Craig.

(An Australian friend tells me Woolloomooloo is a crowded Sydney suburb.—F.B.W.)

S. A. Middleton.—Good pal; keen sense of the ridiculous. He is as good a forward as he is an oar. Fond of the game, and plays it for the game's sake.—F. Bede Smith.

F. Wood.—Well known as "Possum." Hails from the Glebe District Football Club. He has played for the above club for three seasons. As half-back he has thorough knowledge of the game. He also has the knack of knowing what way the game is likely to go. Apart from his football ability he is very popular with the general public, especially the ladies, and if he lives to be 107 the people of New South Wales will say, "There goes young Freddy."—T. S. Griffin.

These are only some of many snapshots which I am promised by the boys. It adds not a little to their courtesy that most of them hate writing as a teetotaler hates alcohol. To Captain McMahon I am especially grateful, because he told the boys to give me everything I wanted; and, as any and every one of them would do anything for "Father," here we are. F. B. WILSON.

YESTERDAY'S WINNERS AND PRICES.

WOLVERHAMPTON.

Race.	Price	Horse.	Rider.
Juvenile (10)	3 to 1	Carion	F. Dainty
Compton (6)	3 — 1	Fantome	F. Mason
Handicap (17)	6 — 1	Hops	F. Dainty
Penn (10)	8 — 1	Most Noble	Mr. J. B. Foster
Dudley (18)	8 — 1	Ante	F. Dainty
Himley (6)	4 — 6	Veglo	P. Cowley

WYE.

Selling (9)	7 — 4	Curby	R. Morgan
Hurdle (16)	10 — 1	Tilston	May
Dover (4)	6 — 4	Brantingham	Mr. Clayton
Chilham (6)	Evens.	The King	J. Hare, jun.
Ashford (8)	5 to 2	Elmyler	R. Morgan
Canterbury (7)	2 — 1	Bansha	Mr. W. Bulteel

(The figures in parentheses indicate the number of starters.)

Kenny Davenport, an old Bolton Wanderer player, one of the best known footballers in England, died on Sunday at his residence, the Jolly Drummer Inn, at Bolton, in his forty-seventh year. In the eighties he and James Brogan formed one of the most famous right wing pairs in the kingdom. Davenport twice played for England in international games, against Wales at Burnley and Ireland at Blackburn.