MISS THOMAS

Championship in the Debutante's Run

Field in the Thoroughbred Race Wednesday



THE Jockey Club meet Wednesday brought a show down in two departments of the field. And led to an unexpected conclu-

sion in each case. Colonel Swigert observing with increasing interest the rivalry and competition in the banner event of the matinees-the debutantes' purse -proceeded to purchase a wonderful creation of cut glass and silver which might well serve as a punch bowl for royalty or a carnation vessel for the King's daughters, which he modestly called a powder puff. This was put up for the girls' race, for the "Championship Purse." Mabel Bliss and Esther Tufts and Eleanor Abbe were there to race it off. Incidentally little Miss Francis Thomas appeared in the lists on Rex, a diminutive and pretty picture daring the fates. And therein lay the denoument. For she sprang to the lead and dashed down the course as if she was cradled ahorseback, and the entire famous squadron tried in vain to catch her. Miss Bliss made the best attempt and landed second, thundering ahead of Miss Tufts by the forelock. All hail to the Champion.

The other dramatic finish was in the thoroughbred flat race. For the first time this season the owners brought out the full strength of their stables in one race. And it was a race. Little Horn, ridden by Nat Hurd himself, carrying 151 pounds was the favorite against the two Meadowbrook mounts, Whisper Bell with Bachelor up, 142 pounds, and Garth ridden by the famous Wanamaker, 137. Kinder Lou, Col. Welch's great runner, carried Thomas at 127, and Col. Swigert entered the Pride of Pinehurst, Miriam H., with Whitlock in the saddle, 118 pounds.

It was the finest race from a spectacular point of view yet

seen at the track. Miriam H. sprang into the lead and ran for it from the post. Twice around they made it bunched like a band of Apaches, travelling like leaves before the wind. Coming into the stretch the mighty effort was made to overhaul the mare, and young Wanamaker drew up to the flank, driving the powerful Garth into a last frantic but unsuccessful spurt. Kinder Lou held third place the Little Horn seeming to have the stamina but not the speed and Whisper Bell being spent.

Whitlock took a bad fall over hurdle fence and field, headlong over and over at the last jump in the stretch of the hurdle race. He was leading Kedron home for keeps when the spill came, apparently from pure centrifugal force. Ridgeway sped past on the Travellor and took the first place from George with Smith up. Fortunately no one was hurt.

The 2.14 pace established the superiority of J. L. King's Dzeron. Starting against Are Amm Bee and Walter C., Dzeron started in last place in both of the mile heats, seemed lost at the half, showed signs of power at the turn and sailed in with wind and to spare a substantial victor in both cases. Walter C., the famous old frigate, seemed to be a little off in staying power and vielded second place in each case to the persistent travelling of the Pinehurst pacer.

Mrs. H. N. Reeves' Rosalie was driven by Hendrick to victory in two consecutive heats in the mile

Jack Latting came into his own in the Guests' purse, riding Hatto to a finish, and passing William Souther on Topsey in the stretch. Lowden on Julia beat out Lambert Splane for third place, James Tufts bringing up the rear guard of the squadron.

A popular novelty of the meet was an extraordinary exhibition given by Jay Hall and his imported champion German police dog, Bodo von Deutche Etwas. All the tales we have ever heard of the intelligence and power of these animals were verified on the spot. To begin with Bodo was bored, and as indifferent and casual as a Chinaman. He was put to guard a genial little darky. He settled down on the job as if

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