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RACE MEETING PROGRAM

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JOCKEY CLUB

AUTUMN MEETING

SEPT 2nd TO SEPT 9th 1923

OFFICIAL PROGRAMME

AND

ADMITTANCE CARD

FIRST DAY 1 MONDAY SEPT 2nd

PRICE $2.25 Including Entrance

Tear this stub Only At First Wicket 1 AW 9075

FIG 1.

FOURTH RACE

HANDICAP

$2000 Added For Two Year Olds

Six Furlongs

Track Record Kewessa (5) 105 1:12

Six Furlongs

1 HALLUCINATION 102

2 ARENDAL 112

3 ROCKGARDEN 105

4 MISS LEIGHTON 95

5 JOELL A. J. 105

6 LEE ENFIELD 122

7 MUMBO JUMBO 119

8 PETER PIPER 105

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FIG 2.

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RACE-MEETING PROGRAM.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HERBERT LISTER, a subject of the King of Great Britain, and residing at the city of Montreal, in the Province of Quebec, in the Dominion of Canada, have invented new and useful Improvements in Race-Meeting Programs, of which the following is the specification.

The invention relates to the manufacture of race meeting programs as described in the present specification and shown in the accompanying drawings that form part of the same.

The invention consists essentially in preparing a history in condensed form giving past performances and sundry information of those notable in the particular sport as competitors in various meetings and associating this condensed record with the name of the contestant in entering the name on the program and in enclosing the lists of contestants in a cover having extension ends to form entrance tickets at the gate.

The objects of the invention are to furnish to the onlookers at the sporting event an interesting table of events, which will enable those unfamiliar with the different contestants to distinguish between them and choose a favorite, thereby much increasing the pleasure of the occasion; to facilitate the operation of the meetings, particularly in horse races; and generally to provide in a program all the advantages that would otherwise be only collectible from various quarters.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a face view of the program closed.

Figure 2 is an inside view of the program open.

In the manufacture of this program the condensed information in regard to many different horses known within a reasonable area of country in which various meetings are held is kept in a filing system and may be arranged in the form of a printing block or set type ready for instant use, as programs are made up the day before the events and there is no time for extensive preparation.

The lists of horses are given to the program maker in the order they are to be in the several races and the names and the condensed information are assembled and printed on the sheets usually to make a booklet and the covers of this booklet are extended and at the beginning of the extension separated from the main portion by weakened lines to facilitate the tearing off of the extensions, the latter having a serial number and a large figure in a circle setting forth the day of the meeting that this ticket is for.

As it is customary to have an outer and an inner turnstile the back and front of the cover have similar extensions one for each turnstile.

The maintenance of a depository for the records is largely a matter of routine for the program maker, but to keep matters running smoothly he will keep his information up to date and add on to the type records and keep them set up and indexed or have new blocks made when they are kept in that manner and in either way the name of the horse may readily accompany the record of performances and be used so in printing the programs as there is less chance of confusing the past performances of the animals.

The main features of this invention may be summarized as collecting the type or characters ready for instantaneous use in assembled groups and spelling in this group records of the past performances of the horses either permanently associated with the horse's name or associated during the preparation of the program and further combining with this the admission to the meeting, thus in one booklet or folder furnishing to the race audience a complete article and eliminating much of the annoyance incident to attendance at the race meetings.

What I claim is:—

In a race program and admittance ticket, a book comprising a cover having their ends formed into detachable tickets, and a plurality of sheet forms within said cover, each sheet comprising separate races and having therein individual histories of the contestants in said race.

Signed at Montreal, Canada, this 11th day of May, 1923.

HERBERT LISTER.