

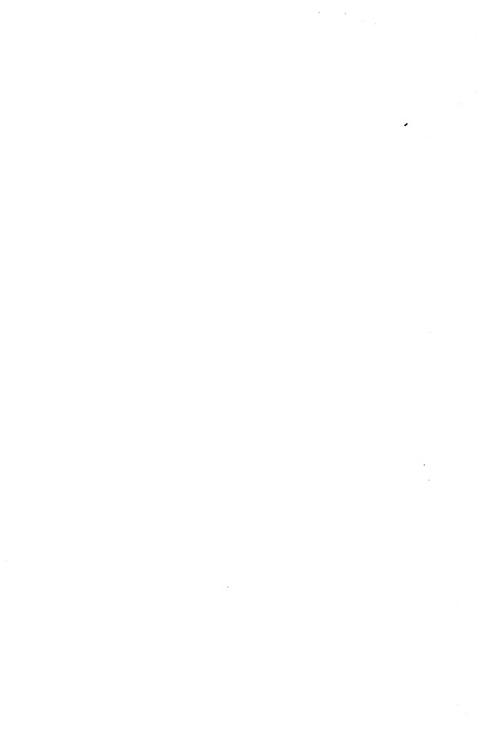


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AGUIDE

TO THE

FOXHOUNDS AND STAGHOUNDS

OF

ENGLAND;

TO WHICH ARE ADDED,

THE OTTER-HOUNDS AND HARRIERS

OF

SEVERAL COUNTIES.

"Hounds and their various breed, And no less various use."—Som.

BY GÉLERT.

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DEDICATION.

To my "Brethren of the Couples"—to all classes indiscriminately, whether gentle or simple—to all who love hunting, are these pages dedicated, with best wishes for their future sport and an unbounded respect for their manly attachment. "Hunting," Beckford tells us, "is the soul of a country life; it gives health to the body and content to the mind, and is one of the few pleasures we can enjoy in society, without prejudice either to ourselves or our friends."



INTRODUCTION.

This little work owes its origin to the following circumstance:—On the day of the last "Derby," just as Surplice had accomplished his victory, a gentleman was pointed out to me as having lately succeeded to a pack of Foxhounds, in the North of England; but my informant could neither tell me the name of the hounds, nor the country which they hunted. My curiosity was at fault; and I at once conceived the plan of collecting materials which might afford me information on such subjects, and be of still farther use as a book of reference to the hunting world,

The Army, Navy, and Church have their Lists; the Court has its Guide, and Tradesmen their Directories; but that the hunting community of England, which comprises, at least to an equal degree, the wealth, rank, and station of the land; which has been described in Parlia-

ment as a "national bulwark," and the revenue of which exceeds that of any service—aye, raised and expended, as it is, on its own native soil, in our own country; is it not strange, passing strange, I say, that this great and influential body should have remained so long unrepresented by some work of reference, some guide, to point and expatiate upon the green pastures and merry woodlands, which create and foster its very existence? This deficiency I have endeavoured to supply in the following pages. I am, however, fully conscious of the errors and omissions which, from various causes, not altogether attributable to myself, will be found therein; but if from a first-season hound the qualities and perfections of a more experienced one be expected, disappointment will be the certain result. When he is off the line, give him a little room to turn; let him swing round, stoop, and feel for the scent; and in another season or so your young hound may come out in better form, and give more satisfaction to the man who handles him with temperance and judgment.

Mr. Tom Smith, in his "Life of a Fox," says: "1

have heard the following lines recited by one who said that they ought to be put up over the mantel-piece of every farmer in the kingdom." Their sound sense and good advice are so unquestionable, that I cannot refrain from giving them further publicity.

"Attend, ye farmers, to this tale;
And when ye mend the broken rail.
Reflect with pleasure on a sport
That lures your landlord from the Court,
To dwell and spend his rents among
The country folk, from whom they sprung.
And should his steed, with trampling feet,
Be urged across your tender wheat,
That steed, perchance, by you was bred,
And yours the corn by which he's fed:
Ah! then, restrain your rising ire,
Nor rashly curse the hunting squire."—WARBURTON.



PART 1.

BEDFORDSHIRE.

FOXHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Oakley.	Major Hogg.	Major Hogg.	Mon., Thur., Sat.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Cranfield; Oakley; Wavendon; Chicherley; Moulsor Wood; Sherrington Toll-bar; Clifton Spinnies; Bromham; Kempston Wood.

The ensuing will be Major Hogg's first season as Master of the Oakley. We can rather congratulate him on the character of his hounds than on the quality of his country, which is principally "plough," and little famed for holding a good scent; however, perseverance will, we trust, carry the gallant Major as successfully through a fox-campaign as it did when he rattled the jackals with a pack of English fox-hounds through the wilds of Kaffir land, with Mr. Arkwright for his first whip. The Oakley is particularly well horsed for the ensuing season.

BERKSHIRE.

FOXHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Bramshill.	Sir John Cope.	Shirley.	Mon., Wed., Sat.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Bramshill; Shirfield; Tilney Hall; Everley; Swallow Field; Strathfieldsaye Park; Blackwood; Risely Mill; Hartley Row; Farnboro'; Windsor Park; Osdean Common; Slade Heath; Nettlebed; also, part of Hampshire.

Nimrod, speaking of Sir J. Cope's hounds 25 years ago, says, "His hounds are much admired for shape and make, very quick, and said to be particularly powerful in cover, where no fox can stand them long." The character of Sir J. Cope's hounds is still very much the same; they are very full of bone, and handsome as pictures. The country is very so-so.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Old Berk-shire.	Mr. J. Morrell, Jun.	John Jones.	Mon., Wed., Fri.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Buscot; Wadley; Uffington Wood; Kingston Lisle; Tar Wood; Nuneham Park; Pusey; Milton Hill; Marcham Park; Wytham; Tubney Brake; Cokethorpe Park; Farringdon Grove.

Mr. Morrell has just started in command of the Old Berk-

shire; and, though a young Master of Foxhounds, he has long been a fox-hunter: for many years he has also kept a pack of famous harriers, and has entered more freshmen at the Noble Science than the oldest Vice-Chancellor upon record. This country was hunted by the celebrated Mr. Harvey Combe, and the no less celebrated Oldakers.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.	
The South Berkshire.	Mr. G. Montague.	D. Edwards.	Tues., Fri.	
No fixtures preferred.				

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Craven.	Mr. F. Villebois.	Foote.	Mon., Wed., Fri., Sat.

FAVOURITE FINTURES.—Sidmonton Common; Brinslade; White Hill; Hunt's Green; Greenham; Heathanger; Great Shefford; Henswood; Alborne Chase.

This country was hunted by the famous John Warde for eleven seasons; and though it has been designated as a cold, heavy, and cheerless country, he fully maintained in it the laurels he had earned in Oxfordshire and Northamptonshire, by showing a vast deal of sport during his mastership. John Warde, in speaking to a friend on the character of this country, said, "he was sure he was sent there as a punishment for his sins."

STAGHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNFING.	
The Royal Stag- hounds.	Earl of Besborough.	Mr. C. Davis.	Mon., Wed., Fri.	
FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Uxbridge; Hillingdon; Hayes; Beaconsfield; Brick Bridge; Riching's Park.				

BUCKS.

FOXHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Lord Southamp- ton's.	Lord Southampton.	Wm. Butler.	Mon., Wed., Fri., Sat.
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FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Whistley Wood; Braddon; Foxley; Woodend Green; Foster's Booth; Wicken Park; Tile House; Kennels at Whittlebury.

Also hunt part of Northamptonshire. These hounds and Mr. Selby Lowndes' divide the country hunted by the late Duke of Grafton. Lord Southampton's may be considered as a woodland country, having a chain of covers extending from one end of it to the other: there is, however, on each side a good deal of grass, the soil is deep and holding, but the fences generally light. There are some slapping fine dog hounds in Lord Southampton's kennels, which, in decent

weather, ought to kill the best fox that ever was littered; but the bitches, with the exception of a few couple, have not that substance and bulk which you would expect to see in the same kennel, and which, indeed, are essentials to the endurance of a fox-hound. Butler came from the "Badsworth," and left that country with the best wishes of many distinguished sportsmen who highly appreciated his abilities and judgment in the field, especially as a woodland huntsman. Lord Southampton purchased Mr. Harvey Combe's pack.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Whaddon Chase Hounds.	Mr. W. Selby Lowndes.	Mr. Lowndes.	Tues., Fri.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Nash Common; Furzen Field; Creslow, near Aylesbury; Lynford Wood; Beech-hampton Grove; Shenley; Drayton Cross-road; Salden Windmill; Whaddon Common.

Mr. Lowndes' is a bitch pack, consisting of about 25 couple of hunting hounds, which, for bone, blood, and beauty, are not to be surpassed. There is a report in circulation that their fixtures will not be advertised for the future; a circumstance, if true, which will cause infinite regret to all lovers of the chase. Mr. Lowndes' hounds are remarkably good drawers; every hound gets over head and ears into cover the moment the signal is given. The Vale of Aylesbury is their favoured country.

STAGHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTERS.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Barons Roths- child.	Barons Meyer and Lionel Rothschild.	Tom Balls.	Mon., Thur.
Winslow; Li	TURES. — Hardwick; ittle Horwood; Liscon arm; Aston Clinton.		

The Vale of Aylesbury is doubly blessed.

CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

FOXHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Cambridge- shire.	Mr. Chas. Barnett.	John Ward.	Mon., Wed., Fri.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Potton Wood; Ickwell Green; Harlton Wheat Sheaf; Sandy Warren; Long Stanton; Waresly; Warden Village; Tempsford Hall.

The Cambridgeshire country extends also into Hunting-donshire, on which side it is most favourable for fox-hunting. Mr. Barnett and John Ward have hunted the country for many years, and two more determined fox-hunters, as master and man, were never coupled together.

CARDIGANSHIRE.

FOXHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Goggerddan.	Mr. Pryse Pryse, M.P.	Mr. P. Pryse, Jun.	Tues., Fri.
FAVOURITE FIXT	cures.—In the Abery	estwith Country.	

Mr. Pryse Pryse has kept hounds for a number of years, and is well known throughout the principality, as a promoter of "the noble science" and of every manly and rational amusement. We sincerely trust his breed will be perpetuated usque ad æternum.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.	
The Teivy Side.	Mr. W. Lewis.	Mr. W. Lewis.	Mon., Thur.	
FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Kerry Bridge; Lecpryd Bridge; Henllan Bridge.				

Also hunt part of Carmarthenshire and Pembrokeshire. The country is well stocked with foxes, and on the Cardiganshire side is very good, but the covers there are scarce. Mr. Lewis succeeded Captain Lloyd in the management of the Teivy Side.

CARMARTHENSHIRE.

FOXHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Carmarthen-shire.	Capt. Edwardes		Two days.
FAVOURITE FIXT	URES In the Coun	try round Carma	rthen.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.	
Mr. Powell's.	Mr. Powell.	Mr. Powell.	Two days.	
FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—From the Kennels at Maesgwynne.				

CHESHIRE.

FOXHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Cheshire.	Captain White.	Markwell.	Mon., Wed., Fri.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Crewe Hall; Daresbury; Withington; Twemlow Hall; Tilstone; Cholmondeley; Ravensmoor Windmill; Wilkesley Village; Wrenbury.

A great portion of the Cheshire country is very good, the

fences are for the most part practicable, and those who have hunted with the present pack speak well of its performances. Joe Maiden, now huntsman to the North Staffordshire, hunted "The Cheshire" for some seasons.

CORNWALL.

FOXHOUNDS.

OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Four Burrow.	Mr. Wm. Daubuz.	Wm. Collins.	Mon., Wed., Fri.
FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—The Victoria Inn; Ludoc Wood; Bishop Wood; Reskymer Bridge.			

This country extends from Bodmin to Helstone, and is well stocked with foxes, "wild as the winds." It includes a fine range of grassy moors. The pack is kept up by annual puppy drafts from Lord Fitzhardinge's and the Oakely kennels.

DENBIGHSHIRE.

FOXHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Wynnstay.	Sir W. W. Wynn.	J. Walker.	Mon., Wed., Fri., Sat.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Carding; Parndon; Wynnstay; Chorlton Hall; Halston Gates; Penley Hall; Twemlows; Green Dragon, Chirk; Queen's Head, Hawkestone; Cloverley; Abermorddu Gate; Hardwick; Gresford.

Also hunt part of Cheshire, Flintshire, and Shropshire. Walker came to Sir Watkin from the Fife, where he was much valued as a clever kennel huntsman and a good man in the field. Sir Watkin enters into a liberal contract with him for the draft hounds, in order that he may have the pleasure of giving them away to his friends. The Wynnstay Hunt is justly considered as one of the most agreeable in the kingdom. The kennels are in Denbighshire about a mile from Wynnstay. Sir Watkin has no subscription, and the whole establishment is kept up in first-rate style.

DEVONSHIRE.

FOXHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Lyncham, S. D.	Mr. Trelawny.	Limpetty.	Tues., Fri.
	TURES.—Delamore; damoor; Tolchmoor	0 .	Slade; Ivy

The Lyncham, under Mr. Trelawny, are indebted to many of the best kennels in England for their blood; to the Duke of Grafton, Lord Fitzwilliam, the Duke of Rutland, and Mr. Assheton Smith. About six years ago the pack was remodelled, Mr. Trelawny having purchased the North Warwick entire pack, and from these a selection was made very much to the advantage of the Old Lyncham. Though at present, a

very superior pack, it owes its origin to rather a wild stock, having been grafted many years ago by the late Mr. John C. Bulteel, on a pack of very killing hounds, kept by Mr. Pode, of Slade Hall, a good sportsman of the old school, and hunted by John Roberts: but we doubt very much if one drop of the old leaven could be traced in the present kennels. They have a few, and a very few, good meets; but among these an occasional fox is found that compensates for the trouble and disappointment of ten seasons. Mr. Trelawny's "field" is a small one, but it consists of as staunch and thorough-going fox-hunters as live.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The North Devon.	Mr. Russell.	Mr. Russell.	Mon., Thur. Sat.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Bratton Village; North Molton; Yard Down; Mervin Arms; Bray Ford; Rockley.

Mr. Russell has hunted the North of Devon with great success and perseverance for more than 30 years. Foxes are very plentiful, and his popularity as a Master of Hounds is unbounded. Lord Poltimore, Mr. Knight, of Exmoor, and Sir Arthur Chichester give him their cordial support, and a man had better turn highwayman than murder a fox in Mr. Russell's country. There is a Club at South Molton, where the members of several different hunts meet for a fortnight, in the autumn and spring of each season, and hunt every day.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.	
The Eggesford, N. D.	Hon. Newton Fellowes.	Mr. N. Fellowes.	Mon., Wed., Sat.	
FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Romansleigh Beacon; Bradford Brake; The Gidley Arms; Farleigh's Grave.				

Mr. Newton Fellowes is a son of the Hou. Newton Fellowes, whose hounds Nimrod speaks of, but did not see, though he went into Devonshire almost on purpose to have a look at them. He bids fair to tread in the steps of his sire, who has long been known to the hunting and racing world as a man of honour and a sportsman to his heart's core.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Tiverton, N. D.	Mr. Thos. Carew.	John Beale.	Mon., Thur., Sat.
	rures.—Gibbet Mod sford; and Witheridg		ns, near Dul-

The Tiverton hounds have a fine wild grassy country, which generally holds a scent; and, as foxes are plentiful, a fair share of sport falls to their lot; they too have gone abroad for their blood, and owe their stoutness to the Warwickshire, the Quorn, and the Belvoir kennels. We have all heard of the ancient practice of stirring up the punch-bowl with a fox's brush, but the Tiverton gentlemen have a punch-bowl that

has been known to hold a whole fox, aye, many a one too, alive, and wild as the moors on which they were bred.*

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Devon, S. D.	Mr. Lane.	Mr. Lane.	Mon., Thur.
	TURES.—The Round	l O; Oxton; C	gwell; Sandy

Mr. Lane is unfortunate in his country, it being, without doubt, one of the worst in England.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.	
Sir H. Seale's, S. D.	Sir H. Seale.	Sir H. Seale.	Tues., Thur.	
FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Stanboro' Gate; Morley; Gara Bridge; Fallapit; Berry; Halwell Village.				

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.	
Mr. Morgan's Hounds, S. D.	Mr. Morgan.	Mr. Lemon.	Mon., Thur.	
FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Horse Bridge; Callington New Bridge; Greystone Bridge; on the South Western side of Dartmoor.				

^{*} To those who have not hunted with the Tiverton hounds it will be

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Mr. Furse's, N.D.	Mr. Furse.	Mr. Furse.	Two days.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—In the country round Bideford and Torrington, formerly part of Mr. Russell's.

STAGHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Devon and Somerset, N. D.	Sir A. Chichester.	Roots.	Tues., Fri.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Luxboro'; Brendon; Barton; Dulverton; Hawkridge; Haddon; Yard Down; Crowcombe Court.

These are the only hounds in Great Britain that draw for, and hunt the wild deer. The stag or hind (according to the season), which is to be pursued, is slotted in, and harboured by a man who receives, after the ancient usage, a guinea fee, and the noble animal is formally roused from his lair; but when he is not so "harboured," "tufters" or steady hounds draw the covers, and, when the right game is a-foot, the body of the pack are thrown into the head, and a chace of twenty, twenty-five, or thirty miles is often the result; a "terrible burst" it will be owned when a check from first to last but

necessary to explain that on Winsford Common is an extraordinary gulph or basin resembling a punch-bowl, and so called, which often holds a fox, and is a very beautiful and romantic draw.

seldom occurs. Sir A. Chichester succeeded the Hon. Newton Fellowes in the mastership, and he followed either Mr. Stawell, who built the Anstey kennels for these hounds, or the late Sir Arthur Chichester. Linton and Dulverton, in the North of Devon, are the favourite resorts for the visitors who come to hunt with these hounds. Sir Arthur also loves a fox, and cultivates his growth with great assiduity.

"Devonshire," Nimrod says in his "Hunting Tours" (a book, by the bye, which should be found on every hunting man's shelves), "is certainly the worst hunting country I ever was in; yet, strange to say, there are more hounds kept in it than in any other three counties in England." What Nimrod remarked 25 years ago holds good now. Nearly every parish in the South of Devon has its "parish pack;" besides, there are no less than eight established packs of foxhounds, and, at least, three of otter hounds in the county. The number of hounds is to be accounted for by the nature of the country. its "never-ending, still-beginning" succession of hill and dale rendering communication between the different parishes less frequent than is the case in most other counties; added to which, the love of hunting, the passion for the chase, though natural to man, is still very distinctively marked in the good people of Devon. A friend of mine, being about to settle in a remote corner of the South Hams, called at the village blacksmith's to get his horse shod; but he was told by a boy it could not be done till the following day, for that "Maester was a-go a-hunting." He then went to the butcher's, then to the carpenter's, but at each of their houses he received the same answer that "Maester was a-go a-hunting." "Well," said my friend, "as they all seem to have turned out, I may as well do so too;" so, going in pursuit, he soon came up with a large party, "The butcher, the baker, the candlestick

maker," enjoying their lives on the top of a hill, and listening with intense interest to the "crack of music," with which the valley was ringing—ex uno disce omnes.

DORSETSHIRE.

FOXHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Mr. Farquhar- son's.	Mr. Farquharson.	J. Treadwell.	Mon., Tues., Wed., Thur. Sat.
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FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—From the Catstock Kennels; Sydling Barn; Dogberry Gate; Lewiston House; Frampton House; from the Eastbury Kennels; Ashley Wood; The Gluff Inn, at Dunhead; Dunbury Hill; Milcombe Park; Houghton Wood; Milburne Wood.

Mr. Farquharson is the most kind hearted and indulgent master of foxhounds in the world, and is especially beloved by the yeomen of Dorset. Treadwell is a first rate man, and it is difficult to find seventy couple of hounds in a higher state of discipline in kennel, or in better form for the field. There is a sound old-fashioned wear-and-tear look about Mr. Farquharson's establishment throughout.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Charboro'.	Mr. Drax, M.P.	John Last.	Wed., Sat.
FAVOURITE FIXT	rures.—Bere Down	s; Sketisbury l	Downs; Roke

Also hunt part of Somerset.

DURHAM.

FOXHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	' MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Raby.	The Duke of Cleveland.	Thos. Flint.	Mon., Wed., Fri.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Gatherley Moor Inn; Middleton Tyas; Barton; Manfield; Cauldwell, in the North Riding of Yorkshire; Winstone Bridge; Raby Kennels; Staindrop Plains; Houghton Bank; Walworth Castle; Windlestone; Witton Bridge; Killerby, in Durham.

Also hunt part of the North Riding of Yorkshire. Foxhounds have been established at Raby Castle for nearly a century and a half. The late Duke hunted them himself for forty seasons, and entered into all the detail and labour of the kennel management as well. "When the late Duke of Cleveland (then Earl of Darlington) hunted his own hounds six days a week," Nimrod tells us that "his lordship had a change of clothes kept well aired at all the principal inns within his hunt, to the nearest of which he always repaired when the sport was over; and putting himself into a chaise and four, ready dressed for the evening, a small field-piece at the lodge of his park announced his approach to the castle; and by the time he arrived, dinner, if ready, was upon the table."

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Durham County.	A Committee.		Mon., Wed., Fri.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Stainton; Woodham; Elwick; Stotfold; Fishburn; Whitton; Seaham Lodge; Two-mile Houses.

These hounds hunt the country which Mr. Ralph Lambton once hunted, and are managed by a committee, of which Colonel Tower, of Elemor Hall, near Durham, is the fieldprincipal. They hunt the country in the same way that Mr. Ralph Lambton did; that is, part of the season from their kennels near Durham, and part from Sedgefield. Mr. R. Lambton sold his hounds either to Lord Suffield or Gardner, but they were not liked in Leicestershire. Mr. Robertson then bought and took them into Northumberland, kept them for a few years, and then sold them by auction, in lots; so that now there is no pack going which could be said to have belonged to Mr. Ralph Lambton. However, soon after his death, Mr. Williamson, known as Billy Williamson, established a pack, "The Durham County," and hunted them for two seasons, when Lord Londonderry took them, and from him they came to the present committee. Of late years, commerce has laid its iron claws on Durham, and the face of the country has been sadly disfigured by railways; still, fox-hunting prevails.

There is another pack in Durham, called "the Cleveland," of which we regret we cannot furnish particulars, being uninformed on the subject.

ESSEX.

FOXHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Essex Hounds.	Mr. H. Conyers.	Will. Offys.	Mon., Wed., Sat., Thur., bye.
Hatfield Hea	rures.—High Rooth th; Dunmore High on Park; Bigods;	Wood; Old Sar	nford; Takely

Too much cannot be said in praise of Mr. Conyers as a sound practical sportsman. The whole extent of his country consists of "plough," and the Roothings, which comprehends eight parishes, may be said to be by far the best part of it. His hounds are of a superior stamp, about sixty couple (not perhaps as even as they might be), and are derived from the old Lonsdale blood. Of late years Mr. Conyers has resorted to Sir Tatton Sykes for his draughts. Mr. Conyers has had them about thirty years, and, during that period, has managed to shew a vast deal of sport.

OR HOUNDS.		NTSMAN. HUN	FING.
The Essex Union. Mr	. Scratten. Jim	Morgan. Wed.	, Sat.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Munden Wash; Rettonden Bell; Hazeleigh Hall; Stock; South Hanningfield Kennels; Lord's Wood.

Jim Morgan has, we understand, joined the Essex Union. He started in life some forty years ago, as whip to Mr. Lloyd, of Hintlesham, and was for some time under Mr. Giles Morgan, Master of the Tickham Hounds; he then went to Mr. Conyers, with whom he lived just 16 years, but left him last season. Jim Morgan is a good man with hounds, and we are delighted to see him once more at his favourite diversion.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The South Essex.	Mr. A. Cawston.	Mr. A. Cawston.	Tues., Sat.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—North Uckendon; Warley Common; Ingrave Hall; Dog and Partridge, Stifford; Tilbury Mill; White's Bridge; Stanford-le-Hope.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Essex and Suffolk.	Mr. Nunn.		Tues., Fri.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Donyland Heath: Stratford Hills; Rivers Hall; Hintiesham Park Gate; Sproughton Wild Man.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The East Essex.	Mr. Marriott.	Jas. Fernham.	Tues., Sat.
Castle: Grea	rures.—Marks Hall t Northey; Wethers Gosfield; Aldham I	field Town; Top	oinghoe Hall;

stead.

Mr. Marriott has rather an indifferent country, the greater part of it having small fields and high banks: the whole of it is "plough." He succeeded Mr. Charles Newman in the management of the East Essex, and has had them about five years.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

FOXHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Badminton.	The Duke of Beaufort.	Will. Long.	Mon., Wed., Thur., Sat.
FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Tillup's Inn; Chavenage Green; Boxwell Ash; Badminton Lawn; Doddington Park; Syston Court; Dyrham Park; Swallott's Turnpike; Bowood; Bell at Old Sodbury; Yate Turnpike; Trouble House; Stanton Park.			

No blood has ranked higher in the fox-hunting world than the Duke of Beaufort's. The late Duke established the plan of awarding silver cups to the tenants who reared the best puppies each year, a plan which was productive of the most beneficial results. So eagerly was the honour sought of rearing the prize hounds, that farmers have been frequently known to give up the milk of one cow exclusively for the puppy's use; of course more substantial fare was added thereto; and no pains were spared to send the puppy home as strong and blooming as the best food and care could make him: the plan has since been followed in other kennels. Perhaps in the early days of Will. Long, as huntsman, these hounds may be said to have been in the highest perfection; they were, however, always remarkable for their great strength and true fox-hound proportions. Will. Long is an old servant of the Beaufort family, and, as the whole world knows, a most faithful and efficient one.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Berkeley Hunt.	Earl Fitzhardinge.	Harry Ayris.	Mon., Tues., Wed., Thur., in the Chel- ten. country.
	TURES.—The Nanton Down Heatherley.	Inn; Pivesdon	; Rendcombe;

And hunt part of Warwickshire. These hounds have three kennels, at Berkeley, Cheltenham, and Broadway. The noble owner is a scientific, practical sportsman, and a remarkably judicious breeder of hounds. His huntsman, Harry Ayris, is also a most skilful artist, and a determined enemy to a fox; he adopts that sensible and truly hunting idea of Beck-

ford's, of "not intruding his own opinion, till the sagacity of the hound is at fault." If a fox continue above ground, he must be a wonderful good one to beat Harry Ayris and the Berkeley Hounds.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Vale of White Horse.	A Committee; Mr. Barker, Field- manager.	Dinnicombe.	Tues., Thur., Sat.
Barrow Elm	TURES.—Bibury; W; Poulton; Three Mes; Charlton Park; F	agpies; Kelmsc	

These hounds have a fine vale country for their sport. It has been said, but with what truth I am not prepared to state, that the Great Western Railway, which intersects it, has altered the running of the foxes; that, formerly, they often crossed the vale, but now generally run the line of it. It is a rare scenting country, with wild foxes. Lord Gifford formerly hunted this charming vale, and succeeded Lord Ducic.

STAGHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.			
The Cheltenbam Staghounds.	Mr. F. Theobald.	Sam. Ritler.	Mon., Wed., Fri.			
FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Northleach, Pewsdown; Cleeve Village; Beeches' Pike; The Pheasant; Birdlip; Brockhampton; Shipton; Teddington Hands.						

HAMPSHIRE.

FOXHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Mr. T. Assheton Smith's.	Mr. A. Smith.	Geo. Carter.	Every day in the week.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Tidworth Copse; Chute Lodge; Whey Hill; Connault Park; Doyle's Wood; Columborne Wood; South Grove; Everleigh Ashes; Enford Gorse; Oare Hill; Clatford Oak Cuts.

Also hunt part of Wiltshire, including Salisbury Plain. Mr. Assheton Smith's establishment of hounds and horses is certainly one of the finest in the world. Mr. Smith hunts his hounds himself on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays; Carter on Wednesdays and Saturdays-the latter generally in woodlands. Mr. A. Smith hunts a dog pack and a bitch pack; Carter, the old hounds and puppies—a mixed pack. Six days a week are advertised (they could not well have more), but Mr. Smith and Carter contrive frequently to have bye-days, in which case, of course, two packs are out each day. Mr. Smith has ever been distinguished as a true houndsman, and a first-rate performer across country (upon Jack-o'-lantern he was never beaten): when a fox is afoot, "Up lads, and at him," is the sentiment of his soul; and Nimrod says, "When a fox is sinking, the Styx itself would not stop him." Mr. Smith had the Quorn Hounds from 1810 to 1817, when Mr. Osbaldeston took them. His passion for the chace is too well known to need description; suffice it to say that he is doing all I have stated, in his 73rd year, at his sole expense, and dining every day of his life in his scarlet coat, like a fine old English gentleman, as he is George Carter hunted the Duke of Grafton's hounds for many years, with eminent success; and came after Ned Rose, whose father, "old Tom," hunted the Grafton Pack for half a century. Carter accompanied the hounds when Mr. Assheton Smith purchased them. There are Fadladeens in the hunting-field as well as in literature; and though Nimrod himself (I mean the original Nimrod-"the mighty hunter") were to cast a pack of hounds, his "heaven-born skill" would be doubted by many a critic of his "field." There are those who call George Carter slow; but if the word "steady" were used instead, it would better describe him; for he is a very steady and a very dangerous man to a fox. It must be borne in mind, too, that he has not (like Mr. Smith) the pick of hounds and country.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Hambledon.	Mr. T. Smith.	Mr. T. Smith.	Mon., Wed., Fri.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Winter's Hill Common; Upham; Fisher's Pond; Ouselbury Down; Stephen's Castle Down; Preshawe House; Corhampton Down; Waltham Pond; Westbury House.

The Hambledon is considered to be the best country south of London. Round Waltham Chace and Durley there is plenty of grass; the foxes fly, and the sport is undeniable.

Mr. Smith, late of the Pytchley and Craven, is the experienced master. He has removed the hounds to a kennel which he has lately built at Fir-hill, near Droxford, and which is pronounced to be a most complete and commodious building. The Hambledon Hounds were, for several seasons, hunted by Mr. John King, under whose management not only did foxes thrive, but when he gave up the country, on account of illness, he placed in his successor's hands (Mr. Long) 55 couple of as fine bitches as ever entered a cover. He also established a hunting club, which became very popular and useful to the country.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The H. H.	Lord Gifford.	Lord Gifford.	Mon., Tues., Thur., Sat.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Monday—North Hants; Herriard House; Sutton Common; South Warnboro'; Golden Port; Bentley Green; Chawton House. Tuesday—Alresford Country; Brandeen Common; Four Lanes; Beauworth; Tichborne Park; Hinton Houses; Brookwood Park. Thursday—West Hants; Lundway's Inn; Abbotson Down; Chilton Old House; Atkinson's Lone Barn. Saturday—The Basingstoke Country; Nutley; Farley Park; Ilsfield Church; Preston; Oak Hills.

Lord Gifford has sixty couple of hunting hounds. There is a good account of foxes for the ensuing season; and it is to be hoped the country is becoming more "friendly" than report states it to have been for some years past. When Mr. Villebois was Master of the H. H., George the Fourth belonged to the hunt, as Prince of Wales.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.	
The Hursley.	Mr. Cockburn.	Mr. Cockburn.	Mon., Fri.	
FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Monday—Crab Wood; Ball Down; Rookley Pond; Parnell. Friday—Badsley Common; Cranbury Park; Stoneham Park.				

At Rookley Pond, the property of Mr. Alley, yeoman, eleven foxes were found in one season (1847-48), and nine out of the eleven *killed*. Mr. Cockburn's system is to trust to the sagacity of the hound: when *that* is at fault, he is very quick in giving his own judgment. Like the famous Mr. Villebois, he commenced with harriers; and when he had the luck to find a fox amongst his Honiton Hills, in faith the wild animal had to look sharp for his life.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The New Forest.	L. Sheddon.	J. Chaplow.	Mon., Wed., Fri.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Cadlands; Stony Cross; Brimmar House; The Kennels near Lyndhurst; Livett's Gate; Brockenhurst House; Pyle Well, near Lymington.

Mr. Sheddon succeeded Mr. Wyndham, successor to Mr. Nicoll, who, if I mistake not, came after the celebrated John Ward, the father of fox hunting.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING,
The Vine.	Sir Richard Rycroft and Committee.	Will. Cox.	Mon., Wed., Sat.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Monday—Free-folk Wood; Pole's Heath; Ash Park. Wednesday—Wolverton; King's Clere; Whitechurch Lodge. Saturday—Pamber Forest; Kennels at Overton, near Basingstoke.

The Vine are a remarkably fine pack of hounds; they labour, however, under the disadvantage of hunting but a very indifferent country.

HEREFORDSHIRE.

FOXHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.	
The Hereford- shire.	Mr. Symons.	Will. Boxall.	Tues., Fri.	
FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—England's Gate; Berrington; Newport; Wormilow Tump.				

Mr. Symons succeeded Lord Gifford in this country, and built new kennels in Mynde Park, seven miles from Hereford, on the Ross road. Foxes are sufficiently plentiful, and the country carries a fair average scent.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Ledbury.	Mr. R. Giles.	Mr. R. Giles.	Mon., Wed., Fri.
FAVOURITE FIXT Heath; Colin	URES.—Duke of Park; Feather's I	, ,	

Also hunt part of Gloucestershire and Worcestershire.

HERTFORDSHIRE.

FOXHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Puckeridge.	Mr. A. Parry.	Simpson.	Mon., Wed., Sat.
FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Chipping; Peverills; Bennington-street; St. John's; Walkern; Ware Park; Stansted; Little Hadham; Throcking.			

Also hunt part of Essex. The Puckeridge country is full of banks and lanes, highly unfavourable to fox hunting. Mr. Parry, however, shows as good sport as it is possible to show in so indifferent a country. He has had great experience in hounds, not only at home, but abroad, having hunted with most packs of repute throughout the kingdom. We wish his lot were cast in a better heritage.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Mr. Brand's.	Mr. Brand.	Jas. Simkins.	Mon., Fri.
	rures.—Friar's Wa Eaton; Norman's l		; Whipsnade

Mr. Sebright brought these hounds originally from Hatfield; then they passed into Mr. Delmè Radcliffe's hands, to whom Mr. Brand succeeded.

KENT.

FOXHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The East Kent.	Mr. Brockman.		Mon., Wed., Fri.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Swingfield Park; Sibton Gate; Sweech Gate; Reinden; Chambercrown; New Barn; Acrise Mill; Postling Lees; Horton Park; Street End.

These hounds have, for nearly thirty years, been in the hands of Sir H. Oxenden and Mr. F. Brockman; and, by perseverance and good management, they have shown a vast deal of sport during that period.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Tickham.	Mr. Lushington.	Temple.	Mon., Thur.
	ures.—Hollingbourn Rainham Street; Syn		

LEICESTERSHIRE.

FOXHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.	
The Quorndon.	Sir Richard Sutton.	Sir R. Sutton.	Every day in the week.	
FAVOURITE FINTURES.—Rolleston Six Hills; Oadby Toll-Bar; Keythorpe Hall; Kirby Gate.				

Sir Richard Sutton entered upon "the vale of Cashmere" last season, with 85 couple of working hounds, and succeeded Mr. Green, of Rolleston, in command of the Quorn. Sir Richard has no subscription; and as he spares neither labour nor expense, and has great knowledge of the Noble Science, there is no doubt that the country will maintain its supremacy under his management. Nimrod says: "Of all the countries in the world, the Quorn certainly bears the bell. This superiority arises from the peculiar nature of the soil, which, being for the most part good, is highly favourable to scent; the immense proportion of grazing land in comparison with that

which is ploughed; and the great size of the enclosures, many of which run to from 60 to 100 acres each." At the conclusion of last century, Mr. Meynell was Master of the Quorn Hounds; since which time they have been in the hands of the following conspicuous sportsmen:—Earl Sefton, Lord Foley, Mr. Assheton Smith, Sir Bellingham Graham, Mr. Osbaldeston, Lord Southampton, the late Sir Harry Goodricke, Sir F. H. Goodricke, Mr. Errington, and Mr. Green, of Rolleston.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Atherstone.	J. Anstruther Thomson.	Steph. Goodall.	Mon., Wed., Fri., Sat.
	rures.—Churchove -Hill; Newbold Gat	,	

Abutting on the Quorn, and including part of Warwickshire and Staffordshire, comes the Atherstone country. The ensuing is Captain Thomson's second season as Master; and if an early entry in every department of the chase, untiring energy in the field and kennel, and a devotion to the cause, be any qualifications for a Master of Hounds, then are the Atherstone well suited. The Atherstone, at different periods, has been in the distinguished hands of Lord Lonsdale, Lord Anson, Sir Bellingham Graham, and Mr. Osbaldeston. The name of Stephen Goodall carries weight with it; and he comes from a good sort, if, as I believe him to be, he is nephew of that "great" Stephen, who hunted Sir Thomas

Mostyn's hounds, in Oxfordshire, for so many seasons, and with such brilliant success; and is own brother to the present Belvoir huntsman.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.		
The Donnington.	Sir H. Seymour Blane, Mr. J. B. Storey.	W. Botheroyd.	Mon., Wed., Sat.*		
FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Lockinton Hall; Aston; Cavendish Bridge; Manvers Arms; Bunny, neutral with the Quorn; Cole-Orton; Staunton Harrold; Staunton-by-Dale; Chaddesden; Radcliffe, Notts.					

Also hunt part of Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire.

LINCOLNSHIRE.

FOXHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.	
The Brocklesby.	Earl of Yarborough.	Wm. Smith.	Mon., Wed., Fri., and a bye day.	
FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Bradley Wood; Croxby Lake; Irby Holme; Kingerby Wood; Thornton College; Audleby Villa.				

His Lordship hunts part of the Wolds of Lincolnshire, and

^{*} Except in the first full week of each month, when Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday, to suit Mr. Meynell Ingram.

has a practicable hunting country, with light soil and fences, and no great extent of woodlands. It was formerly very well stocked with foxes; but report speaks unfavourably of it now. The "friendliness" of the country once amounted to a proverb. Every farmer, like Tom Brooks, of Croxby, was born and bred a fox-hunter; from his very cradle, the love of the animal was instilled into his composition; and he was taught to look upon fox-hunting as an honour, in the attainment of which consisted the highest earthly enjoyment. But since those days a dangerous and destructive doctrine has gone abroad, and fears have been entertained, lest this manly race should depart from the faith and practice of their forefathers; but we trust the fears are groundless. The Smiths have hunted these hounds for several generations. The present man's father, William Smith, was killed in chase, to the infinite regret of every one connected with the Brocklesby Hunt. There is a dog and a bitch pack; the standard is 23 inches, and a finer or better lot of hounds never stooped to a scent. Lord Yarborough's pack has descended, without interruption, from father to son for upwards of 170 years.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Burton.	Lord Henry Ben- tinck.	Richd. Burton.	Every day in the week.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—North Carlton; Bardney; Ashby Toll-bar; Hackthorn; Stapleford Moor; Norton-place; Skellingthorpe; Langworth Bridge; Snarford Bridge.

The gentlemen of the Burton Hunt are unanimous in de-

scribing Lord Henry Bentinck's establishment as beyond all praise. Lord Henry is not only a skilful and energetic "houndsman," but possesses a peculiar tact in the guidance of his "field"—a quality, ave, an accomplishment, of the Noble Science which cannot be too highly estimated in a Master of Hounds. His country is heavy and strongly fenced; the woodlands hold a good scent, and are remarkably well arranged as to rides, which are cut parallel and at right angles to each other. Dick Burton came from Lord Chesterfield, and whipped-in to Mr. Osbaldeston. He was also with Lord Ducie, and hunted that lovely vale, the Vale of White Horse, and the Circnester country. But, since he joined Lord H. Bentinck, an improvement in every respect has been the result. He hunts the hounds four days, and the first whip two. Sir Richard Sutton had the Burton for many years.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The South Wold.	Mr. Hellier.	Bullen.	Mon., Tues., Thur., Sat.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Hainton; Haugh; Tothill; Well; Brackenboro' Bar; Doverdale; Martin; Burgh-on-Bain.

Mr. Hellier's country has a great deal of "plough," and some grass in it, and generally carries a good scent. There is a tract of land extending from Louth to Alford, called the "Middle Marsh," which only wants a few small covers to render it a superb country; for, at present, there is nothing to hold a wild fox in the whole of that vale district. Mr.

Hellier succeeded Mr. John Musters, who came after Mr. Henley as Master of the South Wold Hounds. Bullen has been one season with Mr. Hellier's hounds, and came from the Albrighton; previously to which, he lived with his Grace the Duke of Beaufort. Mr. Hellier has a remarkably fine stud of horses for the ensuing season.

MONMOUTHSHIRE.

FOXHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Monmouth-shire.	Mr. W. R. Stretton.	Parslowe.	Mon., Thur.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Ragland; Rockfield; Werndu Wood; Graig Hill; Hendre; Coldbrook Park; Tal-y-coed Wood; Clytha Lodge; Campston Wood; Kennels at Dany Park, near Crickhowell.

Also hunt part of Herefordshire. This country is infinitely indebted to Mr. Stretton, for the gentlemanlike and spirited manner in which he first formed, in 1832, and has since managed, the Monmouthshire Pack. There is a Hunt Club, consisting of sixty members, and fox-hunting may be said to flourish under its auspices. A fair share of sport keeps the Monmouthshire gentlemen in good heart. When the country admits of it, there are many slashing riders amongst them; but the covers are deep, and occasionally hilly and difficult for horses.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

FOXHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Earl Fitzwilliam's.	Earl Fitzwilliam.	Tom Sebright.	Mon., Wed., Fri.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Stanwick Pasture; Catworth Guide-post; Raund's Old Meadows; Barnwell Wold; Ashton Wold; Weybridge Wood; Thrapstone Bridge; Leighton Gorse; Hunt's Closes.

Also hunt part of Huntingdonshire. Lord Fitzwilliam's were considered to be the biggest-boned hounds in England, not even excepting Mr. Horlock's pack, which he purchased for 2,000 guineas from the Father of Fox-hunting, John Ward. The late Earl had them above 40 years, and was distinguished as a most superior judge of the animal: his huntsman was old "Will Dean." Of Tom Sebright it is almost needless to speak; 30 years ago he hunted the Quorn under Mr. Osbaldeston, and has ever since lived with Lord Fitzwilliam and the late Earl. Mr. John Musters used to say, that he considered it the highest compliment to his talents to be compared, as he frequently was, with Tom Sebright, as a huntsman. The country is divided into woodlands and grass, very wild, thinly populated, and holds a rare scent.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Pytchley.	Lord Alford.	Chas. Payne.	Mon., Wed., Fri., Sat.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Vanderplank's Gorse; Crick Gorse; Misterton; Ashby St. Ledger; Winwick Warren; Spratton Bridge; Arthingworth; Fox Hall; Lamport; Clipston Windmill; Cold Ashby; North Kilworth; The Brixworth Kennels; Kilmarsh.

The Pytchley, as a crack country, has maintained a position second only to the Quorn: weight, blood, and courage are the grand essentials for crossing it well, for the pastures are large, the brooks deep, and the fences awfully strong. Among its many masters, during the last 25 years, we readily recur to Sir Bellingham Graham and Mr. John Musters, under whose management and guidance the Pytchley Hounds attained a degree of eminence surpassed by none: as a Gentleman Huntsman Mr. Musters stood alone. Also to Mr. Osbaldeston and Lord Chesterfield. Twelve years ago, when Mr. George Payne had the Pytchley, and Jack Stevens hunted them, with shape and substance combined, they not only presented a most workmanlike appearance, but they could almost fly when the scent served and their fox was a straight goer. Charles Payne came from the Oakley, where he whippedin for several seasons, under George Beers; the ensuing will be his second, as huntsman to the Pytchley.

NORTHUMBERLAND.

FOXHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Lord Elcho's.	Lord Elcho.	Joseph Hogg.	Mon., Tues., Wed., Fri., Sat.

FAVOURITE FINTURES.—Paston; Filkington; Rowchester; Doddington; Lintlaw; Budle; Hepburn Wood; Kyloe; Lilburn; Bowden; Mindrum Mill; New Biggen; Lady-kirk, near Coldstream, where the Kennels are.

Lord Elcho keeps his hounds in Scotland during the summer, and brings them over the Border for his winter's sport. He has a good hunting country, with large fields, of 50 or 100 acres each, in the vale; and the Moors are dry, hilly, and without rocks. It may be considered, also, an easy country to cross—no banks, and but few ditches. The fields divided on the hills by light stone walls, and in the vale by thorn hedges, which appear to have been all planted within the last 25 years. Foxes are sufficiently plentiful, the runs very wild, and the sport generally good. Head quarters, at Belford.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Tindale.	Mr. N. Maughan.	John Richie.	Mon., Thur., Sat.
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FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Belsay; Matfen Piers; Beaufront; Countess Park; Hesleyside; Blackheddon; The Kennels; Nafferton.

The Tindale hunt the south of Northumberland.

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

FOXHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Mr. Lumley's.	Mr. Richd. Lumley.	Wm. Merry.	Mon., Tues., Thur., Fri.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Osberton; Grove Hall; Headon Clump; Gringley-on-the-Hill; Saundby Bar; East Markham; Sandbeck Park; Rossington; Bole; Wickersley, Blyth; Scrooby; Carlton.

Also hunt part of Yorkshire. These hounds, under the management of Mr. Lumley, and for the most part bred by him, belonged to the well-known Mr. Foljambe, and were formerly Lord Scarboro's. One-half of the country consists of a light sandy soil, with thousands of acres of plantation; the other is a fair hunting country, and has plenty of foxes. William Merry was a pupil of Butler's, who now hunts Lord Southampton's hounds.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Rufford.	Capt. Percy Williams.	Capt. Percy Williams.	Mon., Thur., Sat.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Bleasby Gorse and Ossington are prime meets, but there is not much choice in the country.

And hunt part of Derbyshire. This is a very rough woodland country; the "field" is usually thin, and game, especially hares, as thick as autumn leaves in the Vale of Vallombrosa; so that much cannot be said in its favour. Lord Scarboro' and the Earl of Manvers support fox-hunting, especially the latter, who is everything that an English nobleman should be; and Mr. Denison, of Ossington, should not be omitted as a great friend and supporter of Captain Williams's hounds, and a right good fox-preserver. "Oxton" in former days was a sure draw, but since the death of Mr. and Mrs. Sherbrooke, foxes have not the same friends on that side the country—the Nottingham side. The hounds are chiefly bred from Mr. Foljambe and the Duke of Rutland's, and combine all the best blood of the most fashionable kennels.

OXFORDSHIRE.

FOXHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Mr. Drake's.	Mr. Drake.	Tom Wingfield.	Tues., Thur., Sat.
FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Boddington Hill; Warden Hill; Claydon Woods; Eydon Gorse; Goddington; Gravenhill; Stratton Audley; Chesterton Village.			

Also hunt part of Bucks and Northampton. Mr. Drake succeeded Sir Thomas Mostyn in this country. Mr. Drake has long been celebrated in the hunting world for the stoutness of his hounds, and the sport which they usually show. His bitches have great size and substance, standing level with the dog hounds, which average 23 inches. Columbine and Chaplet, Butterfly, Gossamer, and Modish, are magnificent bitches, and combine all the qualifications essential to a foxhound. His late huntsman, Tom Wingfield, came with the country, and

proved himself and his stock to be an important part of the inheritance. When he lived with Sir Thomas, "Nimrod" discovered his abilities, and thus makes honourable mention of his name-"Any true lover of the sport would ride fifty miles of a morning to see Tom Wingfield hunt these hounds. Tom's education has been complete for the situation he fills, having whipped-in to the late Mr. Meynell, Lords Sefton and Foley, as also to Mr. T. A. Smith, all in the Quorndon country." It is almost needless to add, that Mr. Drake and the Members of his Hunt are alive to the family talent which has descended to the present huntsman, T. Wingfield, junior. The Oxford men are very partial to Mr. Drake's hounds, and when he meets on the Oxford side of Bicester, he is sure of a "good sprinkling" from Alma Mater. In former days, when Griff. Lloyd acted a conspicuous part in this hunt, if an Oxford man rode too near the hounds, Griff. would challenge him with "cutting chapel and lecture," being "too fast for the field," and threaten to "confine him to gates" if he did not hold hard: but now the case is altered, the Oxford men have no interruption, and consequently do no harm; on the contrary, we believe Mr. Drake to be as partial to them as they are to him.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Heythrop.	Lord Redesdale.	James Hills.	Mon., Wed., Fri., Sat.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Heythrop House; Boulter's Barn; Tar Wood; Ensham Hall; Kiddington; Farmington Grove; Bradwell Grove; Barton Gate; Bourton Bridge; Great Tew; North Aston.

Also hunt part of Gloucestershire. The Heythrop country was hunted for many years by his Grace the late Duke of Beaufort, with Phillip Payne and Will. Long successively as huntsmen. "Jem Hills," the present huntsman, can kill a fox with any man in England, but in a peculiar style; he lifts hounds with wonderful rapidity, and, if it can be called a fault, might be considered as even too quick at his work; his system, however, is certainly a very brilliant and, at the same time, a very successful one. Beckford says, that "the first and invariable principle of fox-hunting is to keep always as near to the fox as you can." Jem Hills undeniably observes this principle to its fullest extent.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.	
Mr. Phillips's.	Mr. Phillips.	Mr. Phillips.	Three days a fortnight.	
FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Brightwell; Wheatley; Elsfield; the country south of Oxford.				

Mr. John S. Phillips is entitled to the best thanks of all the fox-hunters in his country: when Lord Parker gave up the hounds last year, he came forward most handsomely to retain them in an indifferent country and at a great sacrifice of personal convenience, as his house is situated at the extreme end of his country; and had it not been for him, Lord Parker would have had no successor. The vale is bad, and the hill part of it presents no features charming to the eye of a sportsman, being flinty, mountainous, and clothed with interminable beech woods, which, from being nearly void of underwood, are most uncertain to draw, and difficult to follow hounds in. He has a fixture or two in Buckinghamshire.

PEMBROKESHIRE.

FOXHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Ashdale.	Mr. G. L. Phillips.	Mr. G. L. Phillips.	Mon., Thur.
FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Walterson; Trefgarn; Denant; Ramswood; Scolton.			

Mr. Phillips hunts the same country that the "Pembroke-shire" (now broken up) used to hunt. Their kennels are at Ashdale.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OE HUNTING
The Stone Hall.	Mr. J. Edwardes and Mr. G. Harries.	Themselves alternately.	Tues., Sat.
FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—These hounds hunt the upper part of the county.			

The kennels are at Stone Hall, near Haverfordwest.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.	
The Begelly.	Mr. Childe.	Mr. Childe.	Two days.	
FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—The country from Tenby.				

The kennels are at Begelly, five miles from Tenby.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Cresselly.	Mr. Seymour Allen.	Mr. S. Allen.	Tues., Fri.
Bridge; Ste	rures.—The country phen's Green; Cold ackpool Mill.		-

This is a capital hunting country, and Mr. Allen contrives to shew his "field" a vast deal of sport.

RUTLANDSHIRE.

FOXHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Belvoir.	Duke of Rutland.	Wm. Goodall.	Mon., Tues., Wed., Fri., Sat.
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Favourite Fixtures.—Easton Hall; Weaver's Lodge; Croxton Park; Elton Manor; Systen Park; Piper's Hole; Cold Harbour; Cranwell; Aswarby Park; Saltby; Goadby Park.

There are at least 65 couple of magnificent hounds in these kennels, very level, and in every sense well adapted to the country which they hunt: plough, hills, and woodlands, render it not the best in the world. W. Goodall is brother to Stephen Goodall, now hunting the Atherstone, under Captain Thomson, and succeeded old Goosey as huntsman

to the Belvoir. Geosey has only "shuffled off his mortal coil" within the last year or two, and enjoyed, to the day of his death, a handsome pension from the Duke of Rutland. If he did not die in the Cottesmore kennels, under Sir Richard Sutton, he certainly passed the last days of his life there. William Goodall is, perhaps, one of the hardestworking men alive. After hunting on Monday-no matter at what hour he returns—he feeds his hounds, and then has to ride to the kennels at Ropsley, a distance of fourteen miles. Here he hunts on Tuesday, feeds, and hacks it back to the Belvoir kennels; then hunts on Wednesday. On Thursday he travels with the hounds to Ropsley; hunts on Friday, and back again to Belvoir that night, where he hunts on Saturday. Goodall is full of energy in the field, and indefatigable in his endeavours to show sport. His hounds, too, are always blooming in condition, and none look better or brighter by the cover side than the Belvoir. This pack was first established in 1730.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Cottesmore.	Mr. Henley Greaves.	T. Tipton.	Mon., Tues., Thur., Fri.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Owston Wood; Laund; Tilton; Elthorp; Knossington; Little Dalby; Langham; Market Overton; Wardley Toll-bar; Thistleton; Seaton Windmill.

Also hunt the east side of Leicestershire and south-west of Lincolnshire. Mr. Henley Greaves succeeded Sir Richard Sutton, who took the country after the death of Lord Lonsdale; his lordship having hunted it with brilliant success for a great number of years. On one side there are extensive woodlands; but, on the Leicestershire side, it may be considered as a fine grass, scent holding country, though rather hilly. There are plenty of foxes, and Mr. H. Greaves may be said to have had a good winter's sport last season, which was his first as Master of the Cottesmore. He purchased the Shropshire Hounds, which were hunted many years by "Will Staples;" he also had the pick of the "Badsworth Hounds," and chose ten couple, for which he gave 500 guineas.

SHROPSHIRE.

FOXHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Mr. Eyton's Hounds.	Mr. T. C. Eyton.	Mr. T. C. Eyton.	Tues., Fri.
FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Atcham Bridge; High Ercal; Sundorne Castle; Cundover; Bickley Coppice; Acton Reynold; Withyford Wood.			

Mr. Eyton has part of the country once hunted by the celebrated Will. Barrow, under Mr. Corbet, of Sundorne Castle. Shropshire has ever been considered a most sporting county: the names of Corbet, Hill, Puleston, Mytton, have immortalized it as such. "The Shropshire" country was hunted by the celebrated "Will. Staples" for 25 years, under Sir Bellingham Graham; then under a Committee (for 12

years) consisting of Mr. Smythe Owen, Sir Edward Smythe, and Mr. Lyde, of Aston: the country and hounds were then divided by Lord Hill and Mr. Smythe Owen; his Lordship hunting the North of Shropshire, and Mr. Smythe Owen the South; "Will Staples" sticking to Lord Hill. When Lord Hill gave up the hounds, Will went to Mr. Clive, of Styche; a few couple of hounds, however, passed into Mr. Eyton's hands, and "Will" into private life, as landlord of a respectable inn; he was, however, soon rescued from his obscurity, and declares that, "to the end of his days, he would rather draw covers for his old customers than beer for his new"—so much for an early entry. We can only say, if Will's finish be as good as his entry, which took place under Sir Bellingham Graham, his sun will set without a cloud.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.	
The Ludlow.	Mr. F. Stubbs.	Mr. F. Stubbs, or son.	Tues., Fri.	
FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Onnibury; The Serpent; and the country round Ludlow.				

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The United Pack.	Mr. Pinches.		Tues., Fri.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Linley; Whittingslow Turnpike; Spoonhill House; and the country round Church Stretton and Bishop's Castle.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Wheatland.	Mr. John Baker.	H. Pearse.	Mon., Wed., Fri.*
Gorse-Covers	TURES.—The Kenne; Fairtree; Sidbur adowtry; Morville.	-	

The Wheatland country has a strong soil, and carries a good scent: the foxes too are abundant. Mr. Baker has had the hounds five years, and bred almost the whole of his present pack from Lord Yarboro's, the Belvoir, the Shropshire, and Mr. Hellier's: their last scason was a most successful one. The Wrekin, and the district beyond it, belong to the Wheatland. Pearce formerly lived with Mr. Hellier.

SCOTLAND.

FOXHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Buccleuch.	Duke of Buccleuch.	W. Williamson.	Mon., Tues., Thur., Sat.
Principal fixtures in the neighbourhood of the Kennels, one of which is at Dalkeith, and one at St. Boswell.			

These hounds hunt part of counties Edinburgh, Roxburgh,

^{*} The alternate week, Tuesday and Friday.

and the western division of Berwickshire. Mr. Tom Smith tells an anecdote of the Duke of Buccleuch, which would stamp him as a thorough fox-hunter, if one had never heard of him as a Master of Hounds, or a promoter of the Noble Science. A fox had entered a drain, and while they were waiting for a terrier, "near a stately river, a large salmon leaped clean out of the water, as if on purpose to amuse or to tantalize them. Whereupon, a gentleman asked his Grace if it would give him pleasure to have a throw, with a fly, at such a fish. His fit reply might well be a source of satisfaction and pleasure to all who hunt in countries where his Grace has property. 'To tell the truth, I care little for that kind of sport; but, as to the other, I am never perfectly happy, unless I have on a red coat.'"

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Linlithgow and Stirlingshire.		Jim North.	Mon., Thur., Sat.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Lawriestown Kennel; Champfleurie; Houstown; Bannockburn Gate; Armadale Toll-bar; Linlithgow Bridge; Castle-carry.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Ayrshire.	A Committee.		Tues., Thur.
FAVOURITE FIN	KTURES. — Kilmacolin ate.	Village; So	uthtown Gate;

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.	
The Berwickshire.	A Committee.	Smith.	Three days.	
FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—In the country from Dunse and Berwick.				

The Committee consists of Sir H. Hume Campbell, Bart.; Sir Geo. Houston, and Mr. Boswell. This is the first season for these hounds, and they will hunt the eastern division of Berwickshire.

SOMERSETSHIRE.

FOXHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The West Somer- set.	F. Luttrell.	Wm. Palfrey.	Tues., Fri.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Slowly Wood, near Dunster; Cleeve Hill, near Dunster; Withycombe Wood; Black Down, near Williton; Brompton Ralph; Crowcombe Heathfield; Raleigh's Cross; Fairfield.

A great part of this country is impracticable, being mountain and dell, over which Pegasus himself would be blown.

STAFFORDSHIRE.

FOXHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNFING.
The Albrighton.	Lord Stamford.	Will Staples.	Mon., Thur., Sat.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—High Onn; Plough Weston; Blym Hill; Stretton; Weston; Bishop's Wood; Enville; Lizzard; Whiston Cross; Chillington; Burnel Green; Broad Bridge.

The Earl of Stamford took the Albrighton Hounds last April, Mr. T. Holyoake having had the management of them for the last nine seasons. Sir Bellingham Graham hunted a part of the Albrighton country for two seasons. There are a few covers in Shropshire and Worcestshire belonging to the Albrighton; but Staffordshire is their chief country; it extends from the Ran Dans, in Worcestershire, to Seighford, on the north of Stafford, a distance approximating to forty miles. The kennels are at Enville, and they have an outkennel at the Summer-house. His lordship hunts the country without subscription, and is particularly fortunate in the possession of, certainly, one of the best huntsmen in the world, Will Staples. This is Will's first season with the Albrighton, and he reports "a fair sprinkling of foxes."

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Hoar Cross.	Mr. Meynell Ingram.	Joe Leedham.	Mon., Thur., Sat.
Cubley Gorse ley Park; L	CURES.—Monday—Sue. Thursday—Radbo ongford Hall. Saturd eston Park, near Burt	urne Park, near lay—Kedleston	Derby; Shir-

Also hunt part of Derbyshire. Mr. Meynell Ingram is grandson of the famous Hugo Meynell, and inherits no small share of his ancestor's virtue. The Leedhams have been huntsmen to the Meynell family for four generations. Mr. Meynell Ingram hunts the country that was hunted by the celebrated Lord Vernon, who, when blind, was in the habit of being driven out to hear his hounds find their fox. Old Will. Lawley hunted them in those days.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The North Staffordshire.	Mr. Davenport.	Joe Maiden.	Tues., Fri.; or Mon., Thur., Sat.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Stoke Heath; Woore; Black Brook; Dilhorn; Adderley; Whitmore Station.

Mr. Davenport bought the "Worcestershire" when Mr. Candler gave them up; and Joe Maiden came from the Cheshire when that pack was sold.

SUFFOLK.

FOXHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Suffolk.	Mr. Jocelyn.	Samuel Hibbs.	Five days a fortnight.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Rougham Hall; Rushbrook Hall; Norton Dog; Barrow Green; Thurlow Town; The Lion, Alpheton; Kirtling Tower.

Mr. Jocelyn has the advantage of being supported by a very staunch lot of fox-preservers, amongst whom may be mentioned Mr. Bennet, M.P., Mr. Crawford, Mr. Wilson, Major Rushbrook, and the Duke of Grafton. The Suffolk farmers, too, both from interest and inclination, seem to have an especial regard for the wild animal, and are fully aware that, by promoting fox-hunting, they are, in fact, promoting their own welfare. Samuel Hibbs was entered by Mr. Mure, under whom he acted as first whip for 17 years. The Suffolk Hounds hunt Tuesday and Friday in one week, and Monday, Thursday, and Saturday in the other.

SURREY.

FOXHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Surrey.	A Committee.	T. Smith.	Mon., Wed., Sat.
Favourite Fixt in Kent; Me	ures.—Wallingham estham.	: Chipstead Tol	l-bar; Weston,

The county of Surrey can scarcely be called favourable to foxhounds; it has, however, boasted some stout kennels and able sportsmen. The country once hunted by the famous Col. Jolliffe, is now absorbed by the Old Surrey and the Surrey Union; and Roffey, who is the present Huntsman to the Surrey Stag Hounds, is son of Col. Jolliffe's "old Will Roffey," who hunted the Colonel's pack for so many years.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Surrey Union.	Colonel Sumner.		Mon., Thur., Sat.
FAVOURITE FIXT	ures.—Godalming;	Newland's Con	rner; Abinger

STAGHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Surrey.	A Committee.	Roffey.	Tues., Sat.
FAVOURITE FIXT	rures.—Epsom; K	ingston; Walton	Heath; Rei-

SUSSEX.

FOXHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Col. Wyndham's.	Colonel Wyndham.	John Squire.	Mon., Wed., Fri.
FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Old Park; Westdean Park; Fair Oak, near Harting; Fitzhall; Bury Hill; Saltbox Common; Torting-			

ton Common; Eastdean Wood; Fittleworth Wood.

Col. Wyndham's hounds have always borne a high character both for pace and perseverance: the Earl of Egremont bred the original pack, but gave it to the late Duke of Richmond; a few couples of "the best blood," however, were kept, and from them are descended the present hounds. Nimrod says, "I was not fortunate enough to see Col. Wyndham's hounds to advantage, that is, when they find their fox in the open, and run him, up wind, over that trying country. I am assured that the pace on such occasions exceeds anything that I have experienced. I can easily conceive this; for,

whether on the old green sward, or the heath with which these hills are covered, there must be a high scent; and the circumstance of hounds being always able to beat horses among hills must make it appear even faster than it really is." "Squire" was, for many seasons, with Mr. John King, both in Devonshire and the Hambledon country, and could not well have come from a better master.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Horsham and Crawley.	Mr. Bethune.	James Hopkins.	Mon., Wed., Fri.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Wych Cross; The Crabtree; Holbrook; The Fox, Three Bridges; Horsham Gate; Balcombe Village; Broadbridge Heath; Gravetye; Tilgate Dodge; Ockley Court.

The Horsham and Crawley Hounds have rather a close and woodland country to hunt in; it is, however, fairly stocked with foxes: the pack, too, is a stout one, and has, for many years, been well hunted by James Hopkins.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Mr. Napper's.	Mr. Napper.	Summers	Mon., Thur., Sat.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Parham Park; Stovold's Hill; Idehurst; Finden Kennel; Wapping Thorn Gate; Washington Common; Ashington Gate; Applesham; Stoke Furze; Loxwood Bridge; Leigh Farm; Chiddingforth Windmill; Wisbro' Green; Hurston Dial Post.

Mr. Napper's hounds showed a great deal of sport last season, and are very favourably mentioned by the gentlemen who hunt with them: they are kenneled at Mallam, near Billinghurst. Mr. Napper hunts part of the country formerly occupied by Gen. Wyndham, and succeeded Mr. Richardson, who had "the Finden:" his country includes a range of the South Down Hills, which are open and carry a good scent; also the wealds of Sussex, which are deep and strongly enclosed.

WARWICKSHIRE.

FOXHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Warwickshire.	Mr. Barnard.	Stephens.	Mon., Tues., Wed., Thur., Sat.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Mitford Bridge; Ufton Wood; Ladbroke Gorse; Tachbrook Toll-bar, near Leamington; Stoneleigh Abbey; Kyneton; Bunker's Hill; Dunchurch; Brick-kiln Gorse.

Mr. Barnard has a fine hunting country, and a very working pack of hounds, middle sized. Stephens is said to be a steady, good man: his kennel discipline is first-rate, and the hounds evince a handiness in the field surpassed by none. He came from the Duke of Grafton, having been seven years under George Carter, as first whip. Leamington is the grand resort for the "visitors" who hunt with these hounds, and they are said to be not a few. The Warwickshire will pro-

bably only hunt four days this season, instead of five, which they have hitherto been accustomed to do. A clever instance of "thought and action" was displayed by the Warwickshire first whip, some five seasons ago. A fox had been twice found in a small spinney, and after a brilliant run over a fine grass vale, had saved his life on each occasion, by reaching an unstopped earth, in a distant part of the country. They found him a third time; and the whip no sooner recognized his friend, than, recollecting the earth, he put his horse's head straight for it, and reaching it, jumped in, up to his top-boots, just in time to stop the fox out, who, by-the-bye, almost ran against him with his nose. He passed over, and never went to ground again. The Poet Somerville, author of "The Chase," lived and hunted in this country.

WILTSHIRE.

FOXHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The South Wilts.	Mr. F. Wyndham.	S. Powell.	Various three days a-week.
Chitterne Go	KTURES.—Dinton; prse; Fisherton-de-la stle; Grovely Wood;	-Mere; Yarnbo	rough Castle;

Considerable changes have taken place in this country since last season; but matters having been well arranged, we are happy to find the South Wilts will enter upon the ensuing year under favourable auspices.

WORCESTERSHIRE.

FOXHOUNDS.

The Worcestershire Mr. J. Cookes and Stansby. fortnigh	NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
nregula	The Worcestershire		Stansby.	Five days a fortnight, irregular.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Bishop's Wood; Witley Court; Westwood Park; Ombersley; Spetchley; Copcot Elm; Himbleton; Grafton Mill; Radford Gate; Upton Snodsbury; Tiddesley Wood; Brookeridge Common; Bredon Hill; Old Hills.

The Worcestershire Hounds were for several seasons under the management of Captain Candler. Since his retirement, the present gentlemen, who constitute the Committee, have been indefatigable in supporting the cause of fox-hunting; and as long as there is a fox in Worcestershire, we doubt not but that they will find a pack of hounds to hunt him.

YORKSHIRE.

FOXHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Badsworth.	Lord Hawke.	Taylor.	Tues., Thur., Sat.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Ringstone Hill; Havercroft, Hemsworth; Lane-ends; Badsworth Hall; Grove Hall; Owston; Felkirk.

The Hon. Edward Petre formerly had these hounds; and from his hands they passed into Lord Hawke's, who has had them above twenty years. It is a fair hunting country, consisting of large woodlands, on one side of which it is called the "West Country;" on the other, it is very open, with flying foxes, which have generally shown remarkable sport. The hounds are principally derived from the old Pytchley, Mr. Foljambe, Sir Tatton Sykes, Lord Fitzwilliam, and Lord Yarboro's kennels. The quality of the hounds may be fairly estimated from the price lately given for ten couple, by Mr. Henley Greaves, now Master of the Cottesmore—namely, 500 guineas. In the year 1815, Sir Bellingham Graham took the Badsworth, after Mr. Musters.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Bramham Moor Hunt.	Mr. G. Lane Fox.	C. Treadwell.	Mon., Wed., Fri., Sat.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Bramham Park; Harewood; Walton; Boot and Shoe Inn; Cross Roads, Bramham Moor; Cross Roads, Clifford Moor; Slutton Mill; Hook Moor; Kippax Park; Gateforth Common; in the West Riding.

This pack of hounds has been established for a great number of years, and has always been in the hands of the Harewood or Bramham family. The country is not a first-rate one—has a great deal of limestone, which seldom holds a screeching scent, and is full of extensive plantations. Lord Harewood, on resigning these hounds to Mr. Lane Fox, last season, was presented with a magnificent equestrian portrait

of himself, mounted on a favourite hunter, and surrounded by a few couple of his finest hounds; a suitable testimonial from the friends who had so long hunted with his lordship. He gave the hounds to Mr. Lane Fox. Charles Treadwell hunted Mr. Robertson's hounds in Northumberland; and, before that, the Quorn, under Lord Suffield.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Bedale.	Mr. Mark Milbanke.	G. Cross.	Mon., Wed., Fri.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Pepper Hall; Tunstal Whin; Newby Park;
Hutton Bonville; Streatlam Whin; Snape Mires; Hornby
Castle; in the North Riding.

Mr. M. Milbanke is a very old Master of Hounds; his name is associated in sporting history with that of the famous Lord Darlington. They "hunted in couples" together, and were among the first members of the old Bedale Club. Mr. Milbanke was remarkable for his quickness with hounds, and for the determined manner in which he crossed a country. The Bedale country has lots of grass, and a stout pack of hounds to hunt it.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Hurworth.	Mr. T. Wilkinson.	F. Coates.	Tues., Sat.

Plenty of foxes, a good scenting country, and no choice of covers.

Also hunt part of Durham. Mr. Wilkinson has had the Hurworth Hounds for twelve, and they have belonged to his family for more than sixty years. They were originally bred from the Duke of Leeds and Lord Darlington's kennels; but since Mr. Wilkinson became possessed of them, he has resorted chiefly to Lord Fitzwilliam, Sir Tatton Sykes, and Mr. Foljambe, for his blood. When the late Duke of Cleveland's hounds were sold, nine couple of them were purchased by Mr. Wilkinson, for "the Hurworth." Mr. Wilkinson has some rare hunting blood in his veins, being nearly related to that Mr. Wilkinson, so eloquently described by Nimrod as "an English sportsman of the old stamp; keen, beyond words; resolute and daring in his favourite pursuit; and of a frame not of the doubtful gender, but manly and powerful, and formed for hardships."

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Holderness.	Mr. J. Hall.	Will Derry.	Mon., Tues., Thur., Fri., Sat., bye.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—There being no covers in this part of the East Riding, and the country being much the same, all the fixtures are considered equally good.

This is an open country, consisting of small gorse covers, full of foxes, chiefly plough; but always holding a scent. It is also very level, except in a small portion of the Wolds. Nimrod says: "There is one characteristic of the Holderness country which must be highly flattering to the gentle-

man who hunts it. The farmers are, to a man, not only preservers of foxes, in the common meaning of the phrase, but they go beyond that; for they will not have a fox killed, even with hounds, if they can any way save his life." This is verily the case with an enthusiastic and well-known member of Mr. Trelawny's hunt, in Devonshire. "Will Derry" was, for some years, with Mr. Musters, in Northamptonshire, and afterwards hunted the Pytchley under Lord Chesterfield.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Sir Tatton Sykes'.	Sir Tatton Sykes.	Thos. Carter	Mon., Wed., Fri.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Rudstone; Stockton Forest; Whin-Moor Build; Settrington Beacon; Stamford Bridge; and covers on the Wolds.

Sir Tatton Sykes' blood has ranked high for many years, and is very generally diffused amongst the most fashionable kennels in England. He has resorted principally to the Duke of Cleveland, to Lord Fitzwilliam, and to Mr. Ralph Lambton, for his crosses, and has displayed the utmost judgment and knowledge in the due proportions of a foxhound. Nimrod thus speaks of them, 25 years ago: "I was very much pleased with Sir Tatton's hounds. They show a great deal of breeding; are fast, but very close workers; of a most desirable size, and quite the sort of hound for Leicestershire." The Yorkshire Wolds, over which Sir Tatton hunts, "generally hold a good scent, and are enclosed and cultivated

after the manner of the Oxfordshire and Gloucestershire hills, and much the same to ride over; but the soil is deeper, and therefore more severe for horses." Tom Carter has long hunted Sir Tatton's hounds, having succeeded his father, who was entered at the animal under Mr. Hugo Meynell.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The York and Ainsty.	A Committee.	Will Danby.	Mon., Tues., Thur., Sat.
FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Askham Bogs; Dring Houses; The Wild Man; Nun Appleton.			

This is a level, rough country, always holding a scent; with plenty of foxes, and good men to follow them. The York and Ainsty Hounds were established by Mr. Butler, of Newmonkton, about 35 years ago. Will Danby is not unknown to fame, if he is, as I believe him to be, the Will Danby who whipped-in to Mr. Hodgson's hounds, when he hunted the Holderness country.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Sinnington.	A Committee.		Tues., Fri.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Gillamoor; Helmsley; Marton; East Newton Gate; Dalby Bush; Tylas Bridge; Cawton; The Nab, Kepwick. The character of the fox accords with that of the country in which he is bred; and, in proportion to its wildness, so is he watchful, in high wind, and a wild goer. The Sinnington country produces a rare animal; and if any fox could venture—like that mentioned in the Kilruddery chase, when pursued by twenty couple of *Lord Meath's* hounds—to say, "Little I value you all," that one would be a Sinnington fox. But, as long as they keep above ground, the Sinnington hounds get their share of noses, taking one season with the other.

STAGHOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Sir Clifford Con- stable's.	Sir C. Constable, Bart.	Henry Styche.	Wed.
	rures.—Wyton Tolley; Coniston; in th	,	t; Sproatley;

Yorkshire may fairly be considered the most sporting county in England, in point of "hounds, horses, and men:" one other county, Devon, exceeds it in the *number* of its hounds, but in the character and high standing of its packs it cannot be surpassed. Several Yorkshire gentlemen have had foxhounds in their families for more than half a century,

and, though the country has been descerated by railways, fox-hunting has met with no panic, no reverses; it still flourishes with vigour, still holds up its head unscathed by the iron hand of time, and unfettered by the lines of intersection.

Fox-hunting has been the glory of England for the last century; all classes of the community share in its prosperity as they do in its pursuit; it yields a princely revenue to government, and thus lightens the load of taxation from the poor man's back; in fact, so various are they, that it would be difficult to enumerate the different channels through which good flows to the country from the source of fox-hunting; like the far-famed stream of Peru, it scatters golden blessings far and wide o'er its own favoured land. Yorkshire, as I have before stated, is pre-eminent in the maintenance of this manly sport, and, in all probability, it will continue to flourish there, as long as a fox, a foxhound, and a horse are bred in the county.

PART II.

OTTER-HOUNDS AND HARRIERS.

ANGLESEA.

HARRIERS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Mr. Fuller's.	Mr. Fuller.	Himself.	Two days.
FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—In the country round Bodorgan, on the south-west of Anglesea.			

Mr. Fuller's are old-fashioned harriers, approaching to the southern hound, with pendulous ears, and deep musical tongues, sounding like tenor bells;

"Over some wide-watered shore Swinging slow, with sullen roar."

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.	
Sir Rich. Bulkeley's	Sir R. Bulkeley.		No fixed days.	
FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—In the country round Beaumaris.				

A small-sized pack, but sharp and very persevering.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.	
Mr. Panton's.	Mr. Panton.	Mr Panton.	Two days.	
FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—In the country round Holyhead.				

Mr. Panton's are nearly, if not altogether, pure-pred fox-hounds. A clever Irish hunter would be the best style of horse to suit the country, as it abounds in stone walls, most of which require the touch-and-go action.

CAERMARTHENSHIRE.

OTTER-HOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.	
Mr. Lloyd's.	Mr. Lloyd		No fixed days.	
FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—The rivers of Caermarthenshire.				

Mr. Lloyd has also a pack of harriers, at Glansevin.

HARRIERS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING,
Mr. Chambers'.	Mr. Wm. Chambers.	Mr Wm. Chambers.	Two days.
FAVOURITE FIXT	rures.—In the country	y round Llanelly	

CORNWALL.

HARRIERS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Mr. Deble Hoblyn's.	Mr. D. Hoblyn.		Two days.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—The Bodmin Moors; a splendid grass country.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAX.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Mr. Marshall's.	Mr. Marshall.	Mr. Marshall.	Two days.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—In the country round Liskeard, and from the kennels which are at Treworgy.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Mr. Williams'.	Mr. Williams.		Two days.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—The country round Callington and Honeycombe.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The South Peth- erwin.			Two days.
FAVOURITE FIXT	PURES.—South Pethe	erwin; and Trew	in, near Laun-

CUMBERLAND.

HARRIERS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Aikton.			Mon., Wed., Fri.

Favourite Fixtures.—Moorthwaite; Roblaw; Down-hall Height; Far Pow; in the neighbourhood of Wigton.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Carlisle.			Mon., Wed., Fri.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—The Grove, Brampton Road; Chapel Hill, Wreay; Raughton Head; Crown Inn, Broadfield; Hornsby Gate; Red House, Kirklinton; White Close-gate.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Whitehaven.			Tues., Fri.
FAVOURITE FIXT round Whiteh	URES.—Gosforth;	Beckermont; and	d the country

DERBYSHIRE.

HARRIERS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Mr. Trevor Yates'.	Mr. Trevor Yates.	Himself.	Tues., Fri.
FAVOURITE FIXT Barton.	ures —Oakover Hall	l; Ashbourne G	reen; Bradley;

A fine grass country, with stone walls.

DEVONSHIRE.

OTTER-HOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Lyneham.	Mr. Trelawny.	Limpetty.	No fixed days.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—On the Avon, Erme, Yealm, Plym, and the Notter rivers, in Devonshire and Cornwall.

Mr. Trelawny uses foxhounds, and when once the otter is moved, they work him with more perseverance and courage than any class of hounds; deep water and a long day are tests which prove their superiority: but they have too much dash for finding the animal, and fling too freely over the trail. A hound cannot be too close in his work to be a clever finder.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The East Devon.	Mr. Collier.	Mr. Collier.	No fixed days.
FAVOURITE FIX	rures.—On the Ax	ce, Tone, Culm	ı, Teign, and

A very clever pack of otter-hounds, and remarkably well hunted by Mr. John Collier, who may be considered as almost amphibious. Mr. Collier's son is one of the steadiest men on a "stickle" I ever met with; no otter can pass him without being "gazed." As a "look-below" he is invaluable to the huntsman.

OTTER-HOUNDS AND HARRIERS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Mr. Cross's.	Mr. Cross.		No fixed days.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—In the country and rivers round Exeter.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Mr. Newton's, N. D.	Mr. Newton.		Three days.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—In the country and rivers round Bridestow, on the north and north western side of Dartmoor.

HARRIERS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The South Devon.	Mr. Thos. King.	Mr. Thos. King.	Two days.
FAVOURITE FIX parishes.	TURES.—In North	Huish, Diptford,	and Morley

This gentleman is nephew to Mr. John King, for many years Master of the Hambledon. He is himself "a very promising young one."

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Forest Harriers, S. D.	Mr. Servington Savery.	Pinney	Three days.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Skerraton Down; Dean Moors; Hanger Down; and the Forest of Dartmoor, of which Mr. Savery is a Deputy Ranger.

These harriers have the finest wild country in the West of England, and are a very sharp, clever lot, under 18 inches. They were bred originally from Mr. George Templer's celebrated dwarf foxhounds, a pack well-known in the West of England as the "Let-'em-alones."

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Slapton, S. D.	Mr. Bastard.	Mr. Bastard.	Three days.
FAVOURITE FIXTU	RES —In Slanton	and East Allington	n parishes.

These are thorough-bred harriers, chiefly blue mottled; can carry a cold scent well, and go the pace when it is good. Mr. Bastard is a capital sportsman.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Marlboro', S. D.	Mr. Lidstone.	Mr. Lidstone.	Two days.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—In Marlboro', South Huish, and West Alvington parishes.

This pack has existed for two centuries, and the present huntsman, "old Sam," is not far from being a century old.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.	
The Berry, S.D.	Mr. Michelmore.	Mr. Michelmore	Tues., Fri.	
FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—In Berry Pomeroy, near Totnes.				

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Knowstone, N. D.	Mr. Froude.	Babbage.	Two days.
FAVOURITE FIXT Ash parishes.	URES.—The Moors	round Knowst	one and Rose

A fine pack of harriers, derived chiefly from the old-fashioned staghound of the country—all yellow-pied, large, high couraged, and very persevering. I have heard Mr. Froude say that he has "witnessed the death of every kind of wild animal which this country produces."

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Mr. Tout's; N. D.	Mr. Tout.	Himself.	Two days.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—The country round High Bickington.

These are, in fact, thorough-bred foxhounds—small and handsome; but we hold that the foxhound for the fox, and the harrier for the hare, is the right thing all the world over.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.	
Mr. Ley's, N. D.	Mr. Henry Ley.	Mr. Henry Ley.	Two days.	
FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—In the country round Lee, Marwood, and Swindon Down.				

A small sharp pack, formerly kept by Colonel Drake, of Springfield, in that neighbourhood.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Mr. Yelverton's, S. D.	Mr. Yelverton.		Two days.
FAVOURITE FIXT	rures.—The moor	land round Otter	ry, and within

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Mr. Buck's, N. D.	Mr. Buck, jun.		Two days.
FAVOURITE FIXTU	uresIn the count	ry near Bideford.	

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.	
Mr. Roe's, S. D.	Mr. Roe.	Ben. Crimp.	Two days.	
FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—The country round Ringmore and Holbeton parishes.				

Mr. Roe's harriers are not *foxhounds*, as would appear by the advertisements in the London papers: they are well-bred harriers, and, *of course*, confine themselves to their own game.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Mr. Deacon's.	Mr. H. Deacon.	Mr. H. Deacon.	Three days.
FAVOURITE FIXT Tavistock.	ures.—The moon	land round Wh	itchurch and

Mr. Deacon's is a thorough bred pack of foxhounds, all black and white, very handsome, and averaging nineteen inches.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Mr. Hale's.	Mr. Hale.		Three days.
FAVOURITE FIXT Down—a fine	URES.—The country moorland.	round Full-a-bro	ook and Huish

Small foxhoundsagain, and very perfect astoshape and work.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Mr. Stephenson's, S. D.	Mr. Stephenson.		Two days.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—The country round Moreton Hampstead, formerly hunted by Mr. Clack.

These are full-sized foxhounds.

DORSETSHIRE.

HARRIERS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Blackmoor Vale.	Mr. H. F. Yeatman.	John Travess.	Tues., Fri.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—The Chesilborne and Alton Downs; Milborne East-hill; Mappowder; Pointingdon Ridge.

This celebrated pack of harriers was established in 1807, by their present experienced master, who has consequently seen his forty-first season with them. They hunt Somersetshire, as well as Dorset, and are famous for their roe-hunting, which is the great feature of the establishment. The runs with roe-deer are frequently eight, ten, and twelve miles outright, and at a pace which the best horses have been unable to equal. The principal covers which are drawn for roe-deer, in Dorset, are Milton Park, Norwood, Houghton Wood, The

Grange Woods, and Alton Wood. Of course, the B. V. Hounds are small-sized, thorough-bred foxhounds, level to a hair's breadth, and perfect models of shape and beauty. May their owner long live, head whole and heart whole, to promote and enjoy the pastime in which he so much delights.

ESSEX.

HARRIERS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Mr. Honywood's.	Mr. W. Honywood.		Two days.
FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—The country round Bradwell and Coggeshall.			

This gentleman's father, or uncle, has also a very perfect pack of beagles.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Mr. Tufnell's.	Mr. Tufnell.		Two days.
FAVOURITE FIXTU	URES.—The country	round Chelmsfo	rd.

Mr. Tufnell's pack has been going for forty years, and ranks high as a clever and sporting lot of harriers.

GLAMORGANSHIRE.

OTTER-HOUNDS AND HARRIERS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Lanharran.	Mr. R. H. Jenkins.	J. Harry.	Two days.
	TURES.—The countr		

Mr. Jenkins has kept an excellent pack of harriers and otter-hounds for a great many years—perhaps half a century—and is well known in his own country as a judge of hounds, and a good sportsman in field or flood. He is also the beau ideal of a country gentleman; and when he quits the stage of life, farewell to the last of his class in that country. At present he is, I believe, sound in wind and limb. Long may he continue so, as a pattern much needed by the rising generation. His rivers are the Ely, Ewenny, Daw, Taff, and Ogmore—all in the country of Glamorgan.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Park Hounds.	Mr. Henry Lewis.		No fixed days.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—The country round the Garth Hill and Greenmeadow, in the neighbourhood of Cardiff.

His rivers are the Taff, the Ely, and the Rumney, near Cardiff. Mr. Lewis's hounds have long been remarkable as a black-and-tan pack—a colour singularly admired by the ancient Celts, and still preferred to all others by their Cambrian descendants. The breed has belonged to the Lewis' family for many generations; and they are justly proud of what may be considered a high-couraged, hard-working, good stamp of hound. Mr., or Colonel Price, of the Ivy-house, had these hounds in great perfection about the middle, or latter end, of last century.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Lantwit.	Mr. Wilkins.		No fixed days.

 $\label{eq:Favourite_Fixtures} \textbf{Favourite Fixtures}. \textbf{--} The \ country \ round \ Lantwit \ Major \ ; \ and \ the \ Glamorganshire \ rivers.$

HARRIERS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.	
The Cowbridge.	Messrs. G. M. Tra- herne & E. Traherne.	Evan Millward.	Mon., Wed., Fri.	
FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Dunraven; Wick Windmill; Golden Mile; Ewenny Park; St. Mary Hill, near Cowbridge.				

This pack has been re-established by the present gentle-

men, and bids fair to be very sharp and efficient. The hounds are dwarf foxhounds, about twenty inches, and the country is equal to the best parts of Leicestershire—lots of grass, and fences light and practicable. The late owner (Mr. Entwisle) hunted the country for many years, and had the misfortune last season to lose his whole pack from hydrophobia.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Glôg.	Mr. Williams.		No fixed days.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—The country round Newbridge and Llanwonno—a wild mountainy district, with deep woodlands in the valleys.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

HARRIERS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Cottiswold or Brockworth.			Two days.

The Brockworth hunt a fine open country, about six miles from Cheltenham.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Norton.			Two days.

These harriers are kenneled about six miles from Cheltenham.

HAMPSHIRE.

HARRIERS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The King's-worthy	Mr. Wall.	Mr. Wall.	Mon., Wed., Fri.
FAVOURITE FIXTU chester Race-co	RES.—An open co ourse; Spital-bush		

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Mr. Scotland's.	Mr. Scotland.	Himself.	Wed., Sat.
	rures.—Stoke; Sut		Jpton House;

Also hunt deer after Christmas; but the practice does not

interfere with the steadiness of the hounds, nor make them, in any respect, riotous. Mr. Scotland is a thorough houndsman; and though he plumes himself on the character of his pack, which is certainly very good, yet he leans to the more noble game, and has an acquaintance not only with all the packs of foxhounds in Hampshire, but literally, it may be said, with each individual hound composing those packs.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Farnham.	Mr. Fuller.	Mr. Fuller.	Two days.
FAVOURITE FIXTU	RES.—The country	round Farnham.	1

LANCASHIRE.

OTTER-HOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OE HUNTING.
Mr. Lomax's.	Mr. Lomax.	Himself.	No fixed days.
			No fixed day
FAVOURITE FIXTU	RES.—The rivers of	of England.	

No hounds or man in England understand the habits of the otter better than Mr. Lomax and his hounds. He has killed the amphibious animal from Lancashire to Land's End, and uses neither net, spear, nor any other warlike engine, save horn and hound, in pursuit of his game. As I once heard a Devonshire friend say, when the spear was proposed for securing the otter: "No," said he, "give him fair play—dum spiro, nunquam spearo;" so these words ought to be graven on Mr. Lomax's horn.

LINCOLNSHIRE.

HARRIERS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Laceby.	Mr. Field.	Skipworth.	Tues., Fri.
FAVOURITE FIXT	cures.—Whyham H well Village.	ouse; Laceby K	ennels; Great

The Laceby country includes the North Wolds of Lincolnshire—a fine district for harriers.

MERIONETHSHIRE.

HARRIERS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Rûg.	Sir Robert Vaughan.		Two days.
FAVOURITE FIX Corwen.	TURES.—The countr	y round Rûg, v	which is near

Colonel Vaughan formerly kept foxhounds at Rûg, but at present there is no pack in the county.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNFING.
Capt. Hopwood's.	Capt. Hopwood.	Himself .	
FAVOURITE FIXT	rures.—The country	round Crogen, (Corwen.

Captain Hopwood's hounds, more properly speaking, are foumart-hounds. While with his regiment, in Devonshire, the Captain laid a wager that his hounds would run the line of a foumart which had been turned out 24 hours before; and he won his money. The trial took place on the rough surface of Dartmoor.

MONMOUTHSHIRE.

HARRIERS.

The Tredegar. Sir Chas. Morgan. Sir Charles Mon., Wed., Morgan. Fri.		NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
	-	The Tredegar.	Sir Chas. Morgan.		Mon., Wed., Fri.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—The country round Tredegar and Castle Town, between Newport and Cardiff.

Sir Charles Morgan's are, in fact, foxhounds, though they

hunt the less glorious animal. His moors, or "rean" country, is not to be crossed by anything less than a Griffin with wings: the upper country towards Llan Rumney and St. Melons holds a good scent, and is not unfavourable for horses.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Llangibby.	Mr. J. Williams.	Tom —.	
FAVOURITE FIX and Usk.	TURES.—The countr	y near Llangibb	y, Wentwood

Mr. J. Williams is a fine sportsman of the old-fashioned school, and his dog-language, in cover-drawing, is particularly good and melodious.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Ty-isha.	Mr. Joseph Davies.	Edmund Morris.	Mon., Wed., Fri.
FAVOURITE FIXT Scibbor-bice carries a scen	TURES.—Ty-gwin; Ga; and a fine moun	lyn Rumney; My tainous district,	nydd-y-Crûg; which always

Mr. Davies has kept hounds for thirty years. His old pack, which he sold for a large sum to Sir Hugh Smith, con-

sisted of great, powerful hounds, resembling the North Devon staghound, of ancient date—all yellow pied—and would hunt "anything that came with a hairy skin on't."

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Bedwellty.	Mr. Fothergill.		

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—The country round Bedwellty—a wild district, full of coal-pits and colliers.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Coal-brook Vale.	Mr. Brewer.		

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—The country round Coal-brook Vale.

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

HARRIERS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Sherwood.	Mr. Heywood.	Joe Hodgkinson	Tues., Fri.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Sherwood Hall; Robin-downs' Hill; Bury Hill; Sherwood Forest.

This pack of harriers came from Mr. Burgess, who hunted them in Leicestershire. They have a dry, light, open country, not at all unfavourable for harriers.

OXFORDSHIRE.

HARRIERS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Capt. Evans'.	Capt. Evans.	Himself.	Threeand four days a-week, dependant upon the foxhounds.
FAVOURITE FIX around it.	XTURES.—Wychwood	Forest, and	the country

Here is a pack of harriers worthy of much notice. In the first place, they are, perhaps, as level as any hounds in England, being above fifteen, and not sixteen, inches high; secondly, they are hunted chiefly in Wychwood Forest—full of deer, foxes, and rabbits—but are perfectly steady from all of them, and certain to kill their hare, unless they change too often; thirdly, they have never known what the distemper is in their kennels; and, lastly, a singularly clever and well-taught retriever, called "Sam," acts the part of "whip," and turns the hounds to his master when they require casting or assistance. A volume might be written—aye, and a very entertaining one—on the merits and sagacity of "Sam." Mr. Jesse should at once make his acquaintance, and become

his biographer. Kindness alone has been resorted to in his education, which, as I can myself testify, from ocular demonstration, is far more complete than that of many an Englishman. As first whip, and part of the hunting establishment, a short digression in "Sam's" favour will be pardoned. If a hound fall lame in the field, he is immediately put under Sam's charge, who straightway conducts him home; and the hound must go, for "Sam" will take no denial. The same with a horse, which he will lead any distance along a road, with the bridle in his mouth, and bring him safely to his master's stables. If any young hound is guilty of riot, "Sam" instantly chastises him, which, though a very goodtempered dog, he knows to be part of his duty. "Sam's" obedience, too, is extraordinary. He will take the most disagreeable medicine, when told to do so by his master; and acts the part of Valet to perfection, never making a mistake in the articles of dress which he is told to bring; and his friends will say that "Sam" actually shaves the gallant Captain; but of this last accomplishment I speak with diffidence, as I have never seen him do it.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Wormsley.	Mr. J. Fane.	Mr. J. Fane.	Mon., Wed., Sat.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—Sheepleys, Petsworth, Warpsgrove, Ewelme—Grass Vale; Stoke Field, Ipsden Heath—Wallingford; Milton Field, Hazeley—on the plough nearer the Thame.

Mr. Fanc's country comprises that part of the south of

Oxfordshire bounded on the west and north by the river Thame, on the east by the Chiltern hills, and on the south by the Thames. The vale hunted by him, with the exception of containing several preserves, from which harriers are stopped, is very good. The hounds are true-bred harriers, with no admixture of fox or southern blood, and have existed as a pack about half a century.

PEMBROKESHIRE.

HARRIERS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Butterhill.	Mr. Geo. Roch.	Mr. Geo. Roch.	Tues., Fri.
FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—These harriers hunt the Roose Country, about ten miles from Haverfordwest, and have not a bad meet in their country.			

SOMERSETSHIRE.

HARRIERS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Dulverton.	Mr. Pippin.	Mr. Pippin.	Two days.
FAVOURITE FIXT Winsford.	ures.—Country and	Moors round I	Oulverton and

Mr. Pippin is a keen sportsman, and highly esteemed by the stag and foxhunters of that country for the straightforward manner in which he has managed the Dulverton harriers, without giving offence to any party. They are small, thorough-bred harriers; and the Dulverton, Winsford, and Hawkridge Commons are beautifully wild, and most favourable for hunting.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Ashton.	Sir John Smith.	Zach. Young.	No fixed days.
E. wowner Fixe	ures.—The country	from Lee Wood	ls to Dundry:

AVOURITE FIXTURES.—The country from Lee Woods to Dundry; and towards Clevedon, near Clifton.

The kennels are at Long-Ashton, where hounds have been kept for a great many years by the present Baronet, and by his predecessor, the late Sir Hugh Smith. It is a wonderful fact, that when Sir Hugh bought Mr. Davies' pack, about the year 1818, a hound called "Granby" escaped from the kennels at Long-Ashton, which is on the Somerset side of the river Avon, and returned in less than a week to Ty-isha, Mr. Davies' house, near Caerphilly, in Glamorganshire: the hounds had been conveyed in a vessel across the Bristol Channel, a distance of 40 miles by water; and the hound "Granby," in returning, must have travelled far above a hundred miles, first having to cross the Avon, a tide river; then to reach Glo'ster bridge (up the Severn and in quite a contrary di-

rection from its home, being a N.E. course); then to follow the right bank of the Severn in a westerly course, to cross the rivers Wye and Usk, all through Monmouthshire, ere it gained its native kennel. There "Granby" continued to remain according to the wish of Sir Hugh Smith, and, in course of time, became the progenitor of another very flourishing pack, for Mr. Davies.

SHROPSHIRE.

OTTER-HOUNDS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Lord Hill's.	Lord Hill.		No fixed days.
FAVOURITE FIXT	rures.—The Roden,	Perry, and Wels	h rivers.

HARRIERS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Mr. Corbet's.	Mr. A. H. Corbet.		Two days.
FAVOURITE FIXT	TURES.—The country	round Sundorne	Castle.

[&]quot;Corbet" is a good old hunting name, and has belonged to a *fw-hunting* family for ages.

SUFFOLK.

HARRIERS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.	
Mr. Mure's.	Mr. Mure.	Himself.	Three days.	
FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—The country from Newmarket.				

Mr. Mure is better known to the hunting world as a Master of Fox-hounds; he had the management of "The Suffolk" before Mr. Jocelyn took them.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Mr. Robert Buck's.	Mr. R. Buck.		Two days.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—The country round Nowton and Bury St. Edmunds.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Mr. Sam. Buck's.	Mr. S. Bu		Two days.

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SUSSEX.

HARRIERS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Brighton.	Mr. Tanner.	Willard.	Mon., Wed., Fri.
Favourite Fixtu Wyke.	ures.—Patcham; R	ace Course; Thu	nders' Barrow

These harriers have some fine downs for their sport, and a gallop with them does more good than all the shampooing and waters of Brighton.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Brookside.	Mr. Beard.	J. Saxby	Mon., Thur.
FAVOURITE FIXT	URES.—Newmarket	Hill; Telscomb	e Tye.

The Brookside are celebrated harriers, and never fail to show sport over their capital country.

WILTSHIRE.

HARRIERS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.		
Mr. Locke's.	Mr. Locke.	Himself.	Two days.		
FAVOURITE FIXT	URES.—The country	round Warmins	ter.		

WORCESTERSHIRE.

HARRIERS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Ismere.	Mr. Trow.	Mr. Trow.	Two days.

FAVOURITE FIXTURES.—The country round Kidderminster and Ismere House, where the kennels are.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Mr. Nichsted's.	Mr. Nichsted.		Two days
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JRE	s.—The country	round Shakenhu	ırst.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
Mr. Roberts'.	Mr. Roberts.		Two days.

YORKSHIRE.

HARRIERS.

NAME OF COUNTRY OR HOUNDS.	MASTER.	HUNTSMAN.	DAYS OF HUNTING.
The Craven.			Tues., Fri.
1	rures.—Skipton B urn and Kirby.	aths, Carlton; an	d the country

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