GOODWOOD .

Goodwood used to be called glorious in the days when we had sunshine, but this year it was just another raint day. The big race of the meeting is the Steward's Cup and plenty of racing fans turned up for it but having turned up most of them turned in.

Twenty starters went away with the going soft and the rain hard.

Solerina was drawn on the far side and heavily handicapped but she came down in the betting in a last minute rush from 25's to 108s.

At the distance her backers were justified --- Solerina took the lead from Angel Bread abd Braemar and in that order they finished --- won by three lengths. Solerina's owner didn't come to see the race and in this weather I don't blame her. The best way to go raving this weather is to wait till the horse has gone and then shut the stable door.

DUCHESS OF YORK AT HEBBURN.

The Duchess of York was accompanied by the Duke when she arrived to open the new £250,000 coaling staithes built for the Tyne Improvement Commission. Lord Londonderry and the Duchess of Northumberland were also present to watch the unveiling by the Du chess of York, of a tablet commemmorating the occasion.