

Epsom racing

A breath of Spring came to Epsom and brought with it - the first meeting of the season.

On the opening day, a field of fourteen started for the Great Metropolitan Handicap - going past the stands, the opposite way to the Derby finish - with $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles to go.

Turning out into the country to take an "S" bend across the Downs - locally-trained hope, Fredette led the ~~xxxxxxxx~~ field from ~~xxxx~~

King's Scholarship and Babylonian.

Back on to the course and round Tattenham Corner - Fredette still gamely holding on - with Galén, H.V.C. Babylonian and Blueskin all well placed.

Now watch that up-~~and~~-coming jockey J. Mercer bring Babylonian with a well-timed run, to gallop home an easy winner - five lengths in front of Blueskin, with Woodcut third.

So Mr G.H. Dowty's Babylonian - an eleven-to-two chance, wins the £1300 prize and the first leg of the Epsom Spring double.