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The Royal Dublin Society's Horse Show opens at Ballsbridge, where crack show jumpers from five countries win the approval of "expert" and "novice" alike. Eximple competition rules have helped to build up a world-wide following for the sport. Ireland's "Kilcarne" with Captain O'Shea up - makes a brave effort.

In this opening event - only six horses had a clear round - among them - "Foxhunter" ridden by Colonel Llewellyn. The event was finally decided on the time-test, when Britain's Chempion completed yet another faultless round - to receive great applause.

But "Ali Baba," the Olympic Individual Champion, at Helsinki, beat Raxhunter

Foxhunter's time by/three-fifths of a second. So it was top honours for

France with Britain a close second.