

# JOE AND ASBESTOS

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**DEAR READERS:  
PARDON US FOR  
INTERRUPTING  
OUR CONTINUITY,  
BUT JIM  
FITZSIMMONS  
PASSED AWAY  
LAST WEEK IN  
HIS 91ST YEAR.  
WE THEREFORE  
DEDICATE  
THESE FEW  
LINES TO COVER  
HIS LIFE ON  
THE TURF.**

The dean of them all  
was green and small  
That day at Brighton Beach  
he hadn't the knack  
or tricks of the track  
but the ride he gave  
was a peach

For a paltry two-bits  
they called upon "FITZ"  
to ride back in '89  
and to his last day  
with all their big pay  
they couldn't top Fitz  
in his prime

Too heavy to ride  
was the thorn in his side  
when the year '95 rolled  
around  
So he trained for Morrell  
and soon rang the bell  
with tactics and wisdom  
so sound.

Then Woodward's Belair  
came under his care  
and competitors shook  
in their sox  
as he garnered 3 crowns  
at Churchill Downs  
with OMAHA, JOHNSTOWN  
AND FOX

So here's to the DEAN  
to the end he was Keen  
at saddling winners galore  
and horsemen all bow  
to the champ who knew  
how  
He'll ALWAYS BE THEIR  
MAN O'WAR.



**At Aqueduct, BEST IRISH (4th). At Pimlico, (\$2 win \$2 third on AARDWOLF (2d). At Gulfstream, LANDEE (4th), COURT OF LAW (6th). At Yonkers, SANITA P. (8th).**

graph)  
ar, track fast.  
Times :23 %.  
3, by Paper

Sh.	Eq.	Odds
4.20	\$	7.10
3.40		3.10
3.80		5.00
—		4.40
—		26.40
—		53.50
—		34.00
—		8.70
—		20.60
—		3.20

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es :23, :47 %.  
ital-Raquelita.

Sh.	Eq.	Odds
3.00	\$	2.70
4.40		7.10
3.00		3.10
—		8.90
—		11.20
—		10.00