

THE PEOPLE'S PASTIMES.

WHAT IS GOING ON IN SPORTING CIRCLES ALL THE WORLD OVER.

Winter Meet of the Hunt Club—A Sportsman's Convention and the Game Laws—The Canadian-Bred Princess.

The aggregate membership of snow shoe clubs in Montreal is 3000.

A lacrosse match on skates will be one of the attractions of the Montreal carnival.

A football club is being formed at New Orleans. Soon lacrosse will take a footing there.

The Lansdowne tobogganing club opened their new slides at Montreal on Saturday evening.

Lysander Boy, record 2:10, has been sold for \$300. He was formerly owned by Vanderbilt.

Mike Donovan wants to fight Paddy Ryan with the gloves for \$1000 a side at catchweights, scientific points to count.

The next meeting of the United States association will probably be held at Boston, Mass. The association has \$448.65 in its treasury.

An old time trotting horse named Old Tom, which will be 42 years old next spring, is living at Norwich, Va. He is fit but feeble.

George M. Robinson, of San Francisco, put up a 60-pound dumb bell eighty times with out rest. The heaviest previous record, made by Breed, of Lynn, was sixty times.

Victoria, McGill and Crystal of Montreal, Ottawa, Quebec, Sherbrooke and Halifax clubs will be represented in the hockey tournament at the Montreal carnival.

Wagner of Hespeler beat Stroud of Hamilton in a fifteen-hand shooting match for \$20 by 14 to 13. The pair have been matched for another shoot at 15 birds for \$25 a side on the 21st inst.

Tom Murray, of Germantown, Pa., and Joe McDonald of Montreal, were expected to fight to-day with bare knuckles, but he would not agree on a place for fighting and the affair fell through.

Efforts are being made to get the Australian team visiting England by the way of America. If they are successful, the team might be induced to visit Toronto and Montreal.

The late W. A. Engeman, owner of Brighton Beach race track, was a supporter of the catholic church, to which he belonged. He has left the church a large plot of ground on Coney Island.

Wm. Mahoney, 29½ lbs., the other day offered to knock out any man in Billy Madden's place at New York. Jack Dempsey handled the stranger in three rounds, completely annihilating him.

The lessons of the Montreal driving park at Point St. Charles gave the first of a series of trotting machines on Saturday. The meetings are to be held weekly throughout the winter. Here is a suggestion for friend Dugan.

None of the heavy-weight pugilists having responded to Mike Donovan's offer to back John Hughes, the blacksmith, to spar with any of them, barring Sullivan, he renewed it, and will hold Hughes ready to spar all comers at an exhibition shortly to be given.

The race meeting at New Orleans is almost a failure. Inclement weather caused the postponement. Although nominally the meeting has been in progress since Dec. 25 there have not been four days' racing. Last Saturday's events had to be postponed until to-day.

The skating races during the Montreal carnival will comprise contests at 220 yards, quarter mile, half mile, boys' quarter mile, one mile, two miles, and five miles. All the prizes will be gold and silver medals. Particular attention is to be paid to record making.

Great interest is being manifested in England in the Royal Yacht Club's scull rowing match race. This interest has been stimulated by the question whether Wallace can beat Bubar with ten seconds' start. The impression is that Ross will have to do the best rowing of his life to win.

A report prevailed on Saturday in St. Louis, Mo., that the slinger Sullivan had been shot at Buffalo, Montana. The report, which was not confirmed, probably arose from a widespread belief that a bullet will get into much more trouble in the wild west.

One thousand hares, or rabbits as they are generally known, were recently shipped from Chicago to England. It is astonishing to little here, both by sportsmen and the public. Rabbits afford a capital winter sport, when cased by hounds, and make a most delicious dish.

In York, England, in 1769, was printed a book by Dr. John Burton entitled "Anecdotes of Horse-racing for above Two Thousand Years." It is a full and complete history of the jockeys of ancient Rome, and contained the names of the principal pool-sellers of the age, and the names of the two-year-old and lost a good deal of money in it.

Nearly \$3,000,000 were paid out in the last year in pursing racing races. At some of the principal summer meetings the awards were: Chicago, \$45,700; Cleveland, \$24,500; Buffalo, \$24,500; Hartford, \$22,500; Pittsburgh, \$18,000; Providence, \$17,000; Rochester, \$14,500; Albany, \$14,500; Chicago, \$14,500. The grand total paid at seventeen meetings was the large sum of \$311,410.

Angling sports are in their zenith in Jacksonville, Fla. A rod and reel club will soon be organized, and lovers of fishing are arriving daily. Among those who will soon visit the city to enjoy the sport is Hon. W. F. Whitaker, late Canadian minister at Ottawa. He will be accompanied by his wife and a party of Canadian friends, and have boats, a birch bark canoe and fishing, hunting and camping outfit. It is said Mr. Whitaker has tastes congenial with his husband's.—New Orleans Times Democrat.

Entries for the snow shoe races at Montreal during the carnival week will close Feb. 1 with the second race at James Street, Montreal. There is only one professional event, a two mile open race for \$15, \$7 and \$3. The amateur contests are 100 yards in heats; one mile; two mile, quarter mile, boys' race, and hurdle race. All the prizes will be gold and silver medals. A policeman's race of a quarter mile in uniform will also be given.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the United States association of sportsmen in New York on Saturday evening a number of amendments to the bylaws were adopted, the most important of which was respecting the junior definition, which now reads that an oarsman is a junior who has never pulled in a senior race nor been a winner in a junior race, and a junior is one who has never pulled in a junior race nor won a junior race. Competitions between clubs

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THE SPORTSMAN'S DEFENSE ASSOCIATION, RECENTLY FORMED IN ENGLAND, IS OBTAINING COPIES OF THE REFORMING RADICALS IN PARLIAMENTS TO EXPRESS BETTING. THE DOWAGER DUCHESS OF MONTROSE IS MAKING NUMEROUS ENTRIES FOR RACING ON A LARGE SCALE WITH THE HORSES LEFT HER UNDER HER HUSBAND'S WILL.

Lady Stanford, through Sir Frederick Sturges, Plunger Walton has made entries for the City and Suburban Handicap. The open City and Suburban Handicap is favorable to Mr. Walton, and it is believed that he has no intention of defaulting upon any claims.

According to the London papers, no more extraordinary billiards than that shown by John Roberts and Joseph Bennett in their recent match of 4000 points round game. Although giving 400 points start, that man of iron, Roberts, beat Bennett easily. Bennett made a magnificent break of 170, and one of his last efforts was 120; but Roberts was able to put in a greater succession of large breaks. Bennett is a more nervous man than his stolid opponent, whom he has defeated each was frequently of the most splendid character.

Meet of the Hunt Club.

The first meet of this popular club took place on park, when the members and their friends Saturday at 2 o'clock at the "Guns" reassembled for a drive, as has been their custom for years past when sleighing parties.

The scene in the park was a very lively one, and the time appointed by the worthy master of the hounds, chiefly sleighs moved off to his lead with the graceful pair of thoroughbreds he had in hand. Following the master were Mr. W. H. Beatty driving his spanking four-in-hand, and in the sleigh with him he had his honor the lieutenant-governor, his worship the mayor, and two other notable citizens. Mr. Fred Worts, Mr. W. A. Murray, and several other members of the club followed with their tandems. The double horse sleighs were very numerous, among the most conspicuous being George Torrance, Mr. J. A. Donaldson, Mr. G. N. Morrison, and his friend, and her stable companion, who looked as well in harness as they have done under the saddle. The single sleighs were even more numerous. Messrs. Myler and Cox taking the lead in this respect. The tour was through the park westerly to Spadina avenue to King street, and thence directly to the corners many persons were assembled to witness the imposing sight, for such it continued until Wellesley street was reached, and by way of Carleton street the tour was continued to the end, occupying about two hours' time. The day was very enjoyable one, but compared with those given by the late master, Mr. J. G. Worts, when the meeting was at Lindenwood, where refreshments were served, and winding up with a dinner at some country village, it was considered tame. In this respect the meeting will see there is room for improvement.

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