

It is a most excellent motto which says support those who support you.

Cy. Hacking's new paper, *The Canadian Horseman*, is making excellent progress.

American Tattersalls, New York, is now under control of English Tattersalls. One of the family from which the places take their name is to have the management. William Easton, the former manager, has resigned and proposes to set up for himself.

Mr. Wm. Hendrie has entered Versatile for the Great Western Handicap at Washington Park, Chicago. The same owner's Coquette is in the Columbus Handicap; Lochinvar is in the Maiden and Drexel Stakes for three-year-olds, and Rosina Vokes is in the Lakeside and Quickstep Stakes for two-year-olds.

The chief trotter of St. John, N.B., is Dr. Steeves' bay mare Katrina, 2:25 $\frac{1}{2}$ , Conn's Harry Wilkes. The trotting mare Helena, 2:31, seventeen years old, by Mambrino Charta, 2:30 $\frac{1}{2}$ , was offered at auction in St. John, N.B., a few days ago, and withdrawn, the highest bid being \$190. Time was when she would have brought \$2,190.

A trotting circuit has been formed in Manitoba. The dates are as follows: Brandon, May 23rd and 24th; Virden, May 27th and 28th; Souris, June 5th and 6th; Deloraine, June 12th and 13th; Morden, June 16th to 20th; Gretna, June 26th and 27th; Winnipeg, June 30th and July 2nd; Portage, July 5th and 6th; Regina, July 12th to 14th. Judge Walker of Winnipeg, was elected circuit president and Dr. Himman secretary.

White horses are to be barred from military service in Germany. The Emperor has ordered that no more be purchased for the army, and those now in use are to be sold. He thinks that in war white horses would be especially conspicuous because of the use of smokeless powder, and would afford an easy mark for the enemy. This decision as to white horses was made also by the French immediately after the Franco-Prussian war, as a result of their experience therein.

The rules of the National and American Trotting Associations fairly bristle with primitive sections bearing on the man in the sulky, while the judges are left comparatively absolute and irresponsible. It was therefore a step in the right direction when the recent biennial congress of the National Trotting Association unanimously adopted a new section to Rule No. 24. This section reads: "If any person acting as judge or other officer, uses insulting or improper language to any owner or driver or other person during a race meeting he shall be fined \$500 or expelled."

Lice are the greatest pests to which colts are subject. For some reason they will come into the barn from the pasture in the fall, lousy. A careful examination fails to find the vermin, but they are there. The first thing to do is sweep out the stall, then fumigate and whitewash it, and have a dose of carbolic acid in the whitewash. Then, either use an insect powder or clip the colt. If the latter is done it must be protected with a blanket. With plenty of feed the signs of lice may not show very plainly on colts, but they exist and ought to be destroyed.—*Spirit of the Hub*.

Alexandra Park, London, is the trotting center of England. The trotting in England is mainly in the hands of two men, Mr. F. Cathcart and Sir Edward Leo. There are other supporters of the Trotting Union of Great Britain, but these two men have been most active in placing trotting upon a proper business footing. The track at Alexandra Park is half a mile in circuit, laid out on the American principle.

iple. The American horses that have performed on this track are Colonel Wood, 2:21 $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Blanchard, 2:25 $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Judge Davis, 2:18 $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Tom Allen, 2:22; Little Sioux, 2:22 $\frac{1}{2}$ . Colonel Wood trotted the track in 2:25. —*Chicago Horseman.*

Trotting in Europe, according to *Chicago Horseman*, has reached greater perfection in Berlin than anywhere else. There is a most extensive establishment for the breeding of trotting horses in this city. There is just one mile in circuit and one hundred feet wide. The grand stand, judges stand and weighing-room are on the American principle. Every detail of the meeting is on the American plan. Dickerman, McPhoe and Rayner, American drivers and trainers, have driven on this track, and it was here that the famous mare Polly captured £4,500 at one meeting. The best of this track are Molly Winks, 2:22; by Young Jim, Misty Morning, 2:21; by Marksman; Zoe R., 2:17; by Blue Bull; Amelia C., 2:06; by Dexter and Bedford; 2:24; by Niguel; and by Silver Lead, 2:24; by Niguel, and the Italian stallion Grandmont. Besides the trotting track at Berlin there are trotting courses at Charlottenburg and at Potsdam. The best of these trotting meetings are held each year.

WESTERN ASSURANCE COMPANY

## ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

The annual meeting of the shareholders of the above company was held at its offices at Toronto on Thursday, 22nd February, 1894. Mr. A. M. Smith, President, occupied the chair and Mr. J. J. Kenny, Managing Director, was appointed to act as secretary to the meeting.

**FORTY-THIRD ANNUAL REPORT.**

The directors have pleasure in presenting herewith the Forty-Third Annual Report of the Company, with the revenue and expenditure and profit and loss account for the year ending 31st December last and statement of assets and liabilities at the close of the year.

In conformity with the resolutions passed at the special meeting of shareholders held on the 22nd of February last the paid-up capital of the company has been increased to \$1,000,000 and the total cash assets now amount to \$2,412,642.63.

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The directors feel that the thanks of the shareholders are due to the officers and agents of the Company for their work in a year which has been a trying one for all concerned.

### Summary of Financial Statement

REVENUE ACCOUNT.	
Total income	\$2,325,808 08
Expenditure (including appropriation for all losses reported to 31st Dec., 1959)	2,426,776 93
Total assets	2,412,612 63
Reserve fund	1,000,000 00
Surplus for policy holders	2,008,612 63

The President, in moving the adoption of the report, said:

In the report you have just heard read, the

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Domestic companies have been the main beneficiaries of the Dominion Government's decision to do business in Canada, report total premium receipts for the year 1930 of \$1,000,000,000, a ratio of losses to premium of 73 per cent., or 12 per cent. in excess of the average ratio of the foreign companies. Although the Dominion Government has allowed the total figures of all the companies doing business there have not yet been compiled, the Dominion Government has been advised by the New York State Superintendent of Insurance that there is questionable evidence that the business of the country has been done at a considerable loss to the Dominion Government. The Dominion Government's investments of one hundred and twenty-eight American and foreign companies doing fire and marine insurance in the Dominion Government has a surplus of nearly \$100,000,000 in the combined surplus funds of these companies compared with the Dominion Government's losses of \$100,000,000 in extraordinary losses of the past year and to the decline in the market value of many of the

Turning from these figures to our own experience we find that our loss ratio in Canada is nearly ten per cent, below the average of the companies as a whole, and that in the United States we compare favorably with the American and foreign companies doing business there. I feel, therefore, that I may sum up the result of our year's business by saying that, comparatively speaking, we regard it as a favorable one when we consider the general experience as demonstrated by the figures I have quoted.

In presenting the last annual report to the shareholders a year ago I pointed out that in the preceding twenty-seven years during which we had the honor of occupying a seat at this board, the business of this corporation had experienced several years in which expenditures exceeded income, been able, out of the earnings of the business, to pay \$1,031,000 in dividends to shareholders, and to carry nearly \$200,000 to our reserve fund; and before resuming my seat it may be well to state that the business of the year upon which the directors base the opinions expressed in their report, and at least an equally favorable record may reasonably be looked for in the

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The Vice-President seconded the adoption of the report, which was carried unanimously, and a cordial vote of thanks was passed to the President and the Board of Directors for their services and attention to the interests of the Company during the year.

The election of Directors for the ensuing year was then proceeded with, and resulted in the unanimous re-election of the old board, viz.: Messrs. A. M. Smith, George A. Cox, Hon. S. C. Wood, Robert Beatty, G. R. R. Cockburn, M.P., George McMurich, H. N. Baird, W. R. Brown.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors, held subsequently, Mr. A. M. Smith was re-elected President and Mr. George A. Cox, Vice-President for the ensuing year.

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