



ARMINIUS.

THE well-known Hambletonian stallion, Arminius, of which we give a sketch, is the property of Mr. A. W. Swift, of Nose Hill. He was formerly owned by that gentleman's father, Mr. H. Swift, and was brought to this country in 1888. He was bred by Mr. Shooter, of Sherbrooke, an extensive breeder of horses. Arminius was sired by Reveler, one of the grandest bred horses in America, and was foaled on June 14, 1875.

THE all-day curling contest between the Granites and Thistles on Christmas day, in Winnipeg, will long be remembered. The Granites commenced in the morning by winning eight rinks out of nine. In the afternoon they won half the games, thus defeating the Thistles by the large number of 85 points. The Granites won twelve out of eighteen games, two were drawn, and the balance went to the Thistles.

These two clubs met last year on three occasions, when the latter won two out of three matches.

THE third annual bonspeil at Winnipeg will take place on February 3, 4, 5 and 6. We hope to see our cracks render a good account of themselves.

THE Annual of the Manitoba Branch of the R. C. C. C., which has been compiled by the indefatigable secretary-treasurer of the branch, Mr. J. P. Robertson, has been published. It contains 150 pages, and deals with the game all over the Northwest. It is a most useful book.

THE FARM

AT the government enquiry into the condition of cattle trade, which aggregates about \$10,000,000 a year, to be held at Montreal, and at which Mr. Plimsoll, ex-member of the Imperial Parliament, is to be present, schemes for improving the system of transportation will be discussed.

IT APPEARS that the unfortunate farmers of Dakota, are being starved out of that country. It is reported that 150 farmers will leave South Dakota in March next to settle in Canada.

A leading commission agent of London, England, thus speaks of the Canadian egg trade:—"I have received six consignments of eggs from Canada since September, and have much pleasure in stating that the goods have given entire satisfaction, and I think with care as to packing, selecting, etc., there could be a large and remunerative business done between this city and Canada during the coming year.

A DESPATCH from London says that Canadian turkeys met with a fair sale in the London Christmas markets. They arrived in fair condition. The price fetched by them was forty or fifty per cent lower than high class birds, averaging only sixpence per pound. The birds were smaller than the English.