

sustain a protest, or to furnish information, during three weeks, the associate member may proceed as if such protest had not been made.

SEC. 4. In any heat which such protested horse shall win, the Judges shall waive the application of a distance as to all other horses, except for "fouls" defined in Rule 48.

SEC. 5. When a protest is presented before or during a race, and the parties refuse to make the prescribed oath, if the Judges believe the refusal designed to favor a fraud, they may require the horse under protest to start or continue in the race.

SEC. 6. Any person found guilty of protesting a horse falsely and without cause, or merely with intent to embarrass a race, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding \$100, or by suspension or expulsion.

SEC. 7. When a protest has been duly made, or any information lodged with the Judges in support of a protest alleging an improper entry or any act prohibited or punishable under these rules, the same shall not be withdrawn or surrendered before the expiration of three weeks, without the approbation of the association or proprietor of the course upon which such protest or information was produced, and if any association or proprietor shall permit such a withdrawal of protest or information, with a corrupt motive to favor any party who shall be affected by the same, the association or proprietor so permitting, if convinced thereof by the Board of Appeals, shall be expelled from all connection with The National Trotting Association. [See By-Laws, Art. 7, Sec. 9.]

SEC. 8. Associations or proprietors shall be warranted in withholding the premium of any horse, during the time herein mentioned, without any formal protest, if before it is paid they shall receive information in their judgment tending to establish fraud, the premiums withheld under this rule to be forthwith sent to the Treasurer of said National Association and by him to be retained, awaiting the result of an investigation by the member or by the Board of Appeals. [See Rule 7, Sec. 3.]

SEC. 9. The oath required in answer to protest shall be in the following form, to wit:—

I.....of.....in the County
of.....State of.....on oath
depose and say that I am the.....of the
.....called.....the same entered
in a purse for horses that have never trotted better than
.....minutes and.....seconds,