

...on a case of Strangles, affecting a horse
years old. The disease was one of a very
type, and it was only by the aid of careful
and treatment that the animal recov-
ed. The treatment employed in this case con-
of stimulants, febrifuges and tonics, com-
with a light and nutritious diet. A warm
succeeded the reading of each of
papers. The chairman then addressed
meeting, giving a short lecture on Glanders,
and as the case of Strangles referred to in
second paper had occurred in his own prac-
ice, he was thus enabled to speak more
ly regarding the treatment and severity of
disease. A programme for next evening
then arranged, and after passing a resolu-
moving a vote of thanks to Messrs. Rath-
and Oliver, the meeting adjourned.

THE LATE J. P. DAVES.

The funeral of the late J. P. Daves took place
the 14th from his late residence, Laconie, and
was very largely attended, not only by the resi-
dents of the parish, but a number of friends
from Montreal joined in the cortege. The
funeral service was held in St. Andrew's Church,
Dubuque, by the Pastor, the Rev. J. Moss, assisted
by the Rev. B. Campbell, of St. Gabriel's, Mon-
treal. The pall-bearers were A. Ogilvy, Esq.,
J. Somerville, Esq., J. Richardson, Esq., E.
W. Plaine, Esq., C. Esplin, Esq., and James
C. Hammond, Esq. The late Mr. Daves, was the
son of T. A. Daves, who emigrated to this
country in the year 1812 from Westmoreland,
England, and the subject of this notice was
born in 1818, and assisted his father in building
the well-known firm of J. P. Daves & Co.
He was though actively engaged in the large brewing
business of the firm, the late Mr. Daves found
time and pleasure in assisting the formation and
improvement of the agricultural societies not
only of Montreal but of Jacques Cartier. For
many years he was a large importer of first-class
cattle, sheep and horses. The late Mr. Daves
retired from the firm in 1870, leaving his brother
T. A. Daves and his two sons, J. P. and Andrew
Daves to fill his place, which they have most
successfully done. The many charities of Mon-
treal will miss the generous donations of the
deceased. He was a good husband, a kind
father, and a warm friend. Few men will be
more missed in the parish in which he so long
resided than the deceased, J. P. Daves.—*Mon-
treal Gazette.*

FREE ENTRANCE FOR PURSES.

Many of the turf associations in the United
States, under the impression that large fields and
worthless horses, controlled by irresponsible, im-
pecunious, and in some instances by disreputable
and worthless men, add to the interest of racing,
and encourage breeding and training, have ad-
vertised their purse races entrance free. Some
of the journals devoted to the advancement of
the interests of the turf (?) have advocated and
recommended this course. In our humble judg-
ment free entrance to purses is not conclusive to
the interest of racing, or encouraging to the
breeding of thoroughbred horses. Its whole ten-
dency is degrading, and we believe tending to
fraud, and if generally adopted will drive from
the turf some of its best and most liberal pa-
trons. In purse races, entrance free, we will find,
as it costs nothing, one man running his horse
for strong work in company; another starts to
educate his horse to get away quickly and to
find out how he acts in company, and test his
speed for a short distance. Another starts to
educate his jockey to ride in races, and accus-
tom him to crowds, not caring whether the horse
is in condition to run or not, or where he finish-
es, as if beaten away off. He is better in when
the handicapper adjusts the weights, as the
weights are customarily fixed by the public form
the horse shows.

The argument used is that free entrance gives
us large fields, and large fields increase the gate
money. No turfman having a really good horse
will ever enter him in such cases, as instances
are numerous where good horses have been cut
down and wholly ruined by some worthless one,
which was entered simply because it cost nothing.
The public who patronize racing would
much rather witness a contest with four or five
good horses than one with a dozen worthless
ones, in which, in a majority of instances there
is a job. The public want to see a race honestly
run and the best horse win, and can easily dis-

thirds to the second and one-third to the third.
If the association will examine the names of
those who enter their colts in the great fixed
events for either the two, three, four- or aged
horses, it will not find one of these chance-takers
as a nominator. They are always found running
in purse races, entrance free, consolation purses
for beaten horses and in the local handicaps
given during the days of such meetings.—*Turf.*

Gun, Gun and Feather.

PIGEON SHOOTING MATCH.

A shooting match has been arranged to take
place at Lajeunesse's Back River, between two
teams composed of the leading crack shots of
Montreal, with a view to testing their respective
skill. Each contestant will shoot at ten birds
with twenty-six yards rise, one barrel. The
match is not a question of money, the only ob-
ject at stake being a dinner which the losing
team will have to stand. It is intended as a
means to ascertain who are the best shots, in
order to form a crack team, who will compete in
an interprovincial match to be arranged between
Ontario and Quebec. The following gentlemen
will be the competitors in this match at Buck
River:—On the one side, Messrs. Papin, Dubuc,
Guy and Normandeau; on the other, Bonneville,
(whose exploits lately in glass ball shooting)
against Ira Paine and Captain Bogardus, each
of whom he defeated, have made him widely
known), Bayard, Chapleau and Lajeunesse.
The match will take place within a week, and
considerable interest is manifested in sporting
circles as to the result.

SNOW BIRD SHOOTING AT GUELPH.

On Wednesday afternoon of last week a shoot-
ing match, with snow birds as targets, took place
on the flats near the Silver Creek Brewery,
Guelph. This was the first match of the season.
The shooting was remarkable for accuracy, as
the appended score will show:—

FIRST MATCH.										
Tindal Holliday..	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	—9
Chas Root.....	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	—10
Geo Sleeman..	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	—9
SECOND MATCH.										
Chas Root.....	1	1	1	0	—4					
John Hewer.....	0	0	0	0	—0					
Geo Sleeman.....	1	1	1	1	—5					

OTTER.—The first otter seen in the river Tees-
water for many years was shot the other day by
Mr. Irving, of Paisley, Ont.

DEATH OF PETER MALLON.

This well known horse dealer and turfman
died in his rooms, 297 East Twenty-third street,
New York, on Friday morning, of inflammation
of the bowels. He had been ill for some days
previous, but, being an old bachelor and a man
of eccentric habits, it is thought his death
was hastened through the want of necessary at-
tention. Mallon was proprietor of the stables
25 Lexington avenue, and owned the bay gelding
Captain, by Billy Denton, record of 2:28, who
some years ago beat American Girl. He came
to this country from Ireland when a boy, and he
has ever since been a frequenter of race-tracks,
and followed the circuits regularly, betting hun-
dreds of dollars in a small way, and usually with
good judgment. He was an honest man of tem-
perate habits, inoffensive in manner, but always
shabbily dressed, unshaven and economical in
the extreme; as a consequence, outside of his
turf and horse acquaintances, nobody seemed to
care for him, but immediately after his death,
when it became known that he had left real and
personal property amounting to \$100,000, a
number of people representing themselves as
brothers, sisters, cousins, uncles, &c., called at
the residence of the deceased to inquire about
his effects. Coroner Woltman, however, blocked
their game by taking possession of all the per-
sonal effects, papers, &c. Mallon's only living
relatives are a brother, in Ireland, and two sis-
ters at Minnesota, living on a large farm owned
by the deceased.

Balk table which it was intended to use.
The motive for Sexton's action in this affair
will probably be found in the fact that he is
interested in the manufacture of a rival table
to the one proposed to be used in the tourna-
ment. If it should turn out that this is the
case it will not add to Mr. Sexton's reputa-
tion for fair play. If it was a contest for
tables instead of players he would have less
cause to withdraw.

BURLEIGH IN LONDON.

A fancy game of billiards was played in the
Tecumseh Hons., London, on the 14th, be-
tween W. Burleigh, of Hamilton, and A.
Hall, of London, (late of the Tecumseh base
ball club). The game was that Burleigh
should make 500 points in one inning, as
against Hall's 500 during the evening, or no
game. Hall won in twenty innings, while in
the same time Burleigh scored 1,844 points.

WITHDRAWN.—Mr. John Donohue, the
popular Montreal expert, has withdrawn
from the management of the Richelieu Hotel
Billiard Room, and is now waiting, Micaw-
ber-like, for something to turn up. It is not
likely he will be long disengaged.

NEW YORK.—In the tournament at Cooper
Institute, N. Y., which commenced on Mon-
day evening last, Schaefer beat Carnier, 600
to 429. The winner's average was a trifle
over 19, and his best run 145; he loser's
best run being 83. On Tuesday Rudolph
beat Gallagher 600 to 449; and Daly led
Heiser by 600 to 100.

ON HIS MUS.—Mr. James Phelan, the
leading billiard player in Hamilton, now of
the Royal Hotel there, has declared his in-
tention of attempting one of these days the
task of walking one hundred mile in twenty-
four hours.

(?)—"Isn't a billiard player a baize ball
player? What think cue? "Daw it mild
orgive us a "rest."

PROSPECT PARK IN NEWHANDS.

It has already been whispered about that
Charles S. Green has taken a lease of Prospect
Park, Brooklyn, and we are now able to an-
nounce the fact positively. His lease is for six
years, and includes the track and everything be-
longing to it: club-house, stalls, and all privi-
leges. In fact, Mr. Green is going into the
business thoroughly, and will take p his resi-
dence there Feb. 1. The turfmen of New York
and Brooklyn, in general, will be heartily pleased
at this announcement. The reputation of the
track has been sadly on the wane late, and for
just cause, but we are disposed to open the best
for its prospects now. The way is open for it to
acquire even more than its former fame and
popularity, and we believe that the right man is
at the helm. The new proprietor is a man of
sufficient means to sustain the enterprise of
great energy, and strict integrity. It can be con-
sidered certain that purses advertised by him
will be paid to the last dollar, that the races will
be honorably conducted, that fraud will have no
chance, and as soon as these facts become known,
the long-disused avenues to Prospect Park will
be thronged when meetings are held there. Mr.
Green informs us that, of course, he has not yet
perfected any programme for the season of 1879,
but that one negative portion of it is decided
upon, viz., that no picayune races will be given
at the track under his management. He pro-
poses to conduct it in the interest of the horse-
loving public, and to give them the best worth
of the name between the best trotters that can
be brought together by liberal premiums. He
knows as well as any man what the judges' stand
ought to be, and will preserve it a high
standard. We hear nothing but expressions of
satisfaction at his undertaking the conduct of
this track, to which we add our own with hopes
for his entire success.—*Spirit.*

The following horses well known their lives
on the English turf, died during 1878: King
Tor Saunterer, Carnival, Pretder, Brown
Brea., Oxford, Agility, and The finer. Jon-
gleur died in France.

of the fight was the decision of a match for
\$100 between two shakes, and though both
parties who made the match reside in this
city, neither of the birds belong here—one
coming from a fancier north of Toronto, the
other from London, and I must say that two
worse fighters for their weight were never
pitted in the memory of the oldest sport at
the fight. The winner was a yellow leg black
red and hailed from London, being accom-
panied by the most prominent cocker of that
city; the loser was a splendid looking brown
red with dark legs, and although he did not
run away, showed any amount of dirt in him
by skulking. This fight lasted about six
minutes.

The 2nd match was between a brown red
cock, 4:10, and a black red stag, 4:33, for
\$30. The stag was also from London. This
was one of the best battles any man ever
saw, both birds being dead game and fight-
ers; lots of money changed hands, and as
both birds were badly cut at the start, it took
the cock just about one hour before he won
the battle, which was done by counting the
stag out.

The 3rd fight was between a muff-tassel
and a grey. The grey was 3 ounces a heavier
bird, but was put into the pit in the worst
possible condition, and as a natural conse-
quence showed a lack of that gameness for
which the strain is noted. It was a terrible
fight for about 8 minutes, the grey having
almost stopped the muff, and was outfight-
ing him all over, when his sickness told on
him and he went away. Being brought back
he again showed, but he was too sick to
stand the punishment and finally quit for
good. It was a good job for the backers of
the muff, for from all appearances if the
grey had not gone when he did the muff
would have beat him at that game, as he
looked a quitter all over. This fight was for
\$50, and lasted about 8 minutes.

The 4th fight was also between two
shakes, one being a blue bass back and the
other a grey, and was for \$50. At the start
the grey got in an ugly cut on the throat of
the blue, which almost made him a winner
right there, but the blue recovering made a
fight of it for a few minutes, after which he
sulked and laid down; getting up once in a
while and giving a kick, which, if it had
reached its mark, would have numbered the
grey with the slain. Then he would lay down
again, and was finally counted out, after
fighting about 15 minutes.

Up to this time all had gone on right mer-
rily, everything being quiet and everybody
in good humor, but as the birds were being
brought in for the 5th fight a scene of the
wildest confusion ensued. Everybody run-
ning and getting out of the way, it soon be-
came known that the "cops," or rather a
"cop," had dropped down on the sports and
the fun was stopped. You talk about the
harlequin in the pantomime, but if you had
seen some of the boys get through the win-
dow down stairs, and some others rush up
stairs and out, you would have thought any
of them would have pleased an audience
with their lightning acrobatic feats. Your
correspondent being one of the first to strike
the snow, did not wait to see the remainder
of the performance, but started for home to
write you a description of it.—*P.Y.R.*

CHARACTERISTIC.—C. W. Couldock, now
one of the best old men on the contempora-
neous stage, once met McKean Buchan-
an in New Orleans, a quarter of a cen-
tury ago, and at night, after the performance
the two played at poker until the small hours
of the night. Buchanan proved invincible,
and Couldock withdrew after having lost a
pretty round sum. Buchanan was about
to start for the West, and needed a letter of
introduction to a certain manager, and ap-
plied to Couldock, who wrote the following:
"MY DEAR:—This will be handed to you
by Mr. McKean Buchanan. He plays Ham-
let, Macbeth, Othello, Richard, and Poker—
playing poker the best. Sincerely, C. W.
COWDOCK."—*Courier Journal.*

...of the...
...of the...
...of the...

Mr. Pierre...
...of the...
...of the...

SALE OF CHAMP.—Count F. de Lagrange,
Danga Stud, France, has sent to the Prussian
Government the bay horse Champant, by Mar-
tiner, out of Antares, for 2,500 francs. Champant
won the English Two Year Old Stakes in 1877,
his last public appearance.

Mr. Pothrow, a wealthy Vermont breeder,
has bought the four year old black stallion
Sarsen, by imp. Lexington, out of imp. L...
blue, by Gen. ... of Newport, N. H.,
Pantalon. He intends to stand the stallion at
his place.

SALE OF PRINCE.—Mr. A. J. Alexander,
Woodburn Stud, Ky., has sold to R. ...
Lowell Lexington, Ky., the 4 year old ...
years old brother to Princess, by W. ...
Mambrino dam Princess, by Alexander's A-la-
lah.

IMPORTATION OF SYLVIA.—Mr. James L. Fisher,
of Philadelphia, Pa., has imported by the steamer
England, which arrived at Washington Jan.
15, the brm Sylvia, bred by Lord Middleton,
foaled 1873, by Morocco, dam by The Fallow
Buck.

BLONDINE.—Mr. H. M. Bowman, Harrodsburg,
Ky., has been speeding his fast and handsome
mare Blondine, by George Wilkes, in the snow.
A few days since he gave her an airing, rigged
to a handsome outor, when she astonished all
beholders by her extraordinary speed. She
seemed to be trotting at a 2:30 clip.

SPENDTHRIFT.—This fine three-year-old has
reached Rutherford Park in charge of Louis
Stewart, all well. Our correspondent, "Ken-
tuckian," informed us last week that the Ken-
tucky turfmen were glad to have him out of their
way. But three of them now inform us that it
is no such thing—he is just the colt they
"wanted to run against." "Could beat him like
sticks a-breaking, etc."—*Sportsman.*

DEATH OF MISS DOYLE.—M. H. Sandford,
Preakness Stud, North Elkhorn Farm, Lexing-
ton, Ky., lost January 2, 1879, the broodmare
Miss Doyle, bay, foaled in 1860, by Lexington,
out of Emma Wright (dam of Mollie Jackson
and Laura Farris), by Margrave. Miss Doyle
was the dam of Susie Linwood, Venus, and Pearl
Hawthorn, by Judge Leonard, and Sylvia, by
imp. Glenelg, purchased by the Duke of Ham-
ilton. She missed this year.

CHANGE OF LOCATION.—Barney H. Demarest
will go to Point Breeze Park, Philadelphia, with
his stable of horses, and open a public training
stable, about April 1. He will take the follow-
ing horses with him: Planter, chestnut gelding,
record 2:24, Key West, chestnut stallion, record
2:24, S. B. Edsforth, chestnut gelding, record
2:29, C. M. Leslie, bay gelding, record 2:32, De
Witt Clay, black stallion, record 2:11, and
several green ones of great promise.

ATTEMPT TO ASSASSINATE A TRAINER. On
Thursday night, 9th inst., an attempt was made
to shoot Mr. Alcock, the assistant trainer of Mr.
George L. Lorrillard's stables of Islip, L.I., ow-
ing to darkness, the bullet missed its mark and
Mr. Alcock escaped unhurt, and the would-be
assassin fled. Mr. Alcock does not know who
it is that made this attack upon his life. The
police are on the alert but no arrests have been
made.

RACES VS. HORSE.—John Splan says that
the Associated Press dispatch was sent without
his knowledge, and that he never authorized any
one to make such a statement. Furthermore he
said that no one had authority to make a match
on Rarus here, but that Mr. Conklin would trot
Rarus against Hopeful in harness or to wagon
for \$5,000 or \$10,000 a side, on any track which
Mr. Richmond would select, the race to take
place next summer. Mr. Splan may properly
feel hurt at the position he is placed in, particu-
larly at the imputation that he was offering a
proposition which would take Hopeful at a dis-
advantage. He feels that with Rarus there is
no necessity for bonus, and that it is also foreign
to his own inclinations and character.