

he became attached to the establishment of Edward Holbrook, of Louisville, and held a very respectable position. Later he entered into partnership with the late Hon. R. C. Barko, of the city, and soon that firm occupied a leading place among the manufacturers of tobacco. In 1861 he associated himself with Hon. M. I. Mills, and remained a member of that firm to the time of his death. He was not only well known to the business men generally of the country, but as a lover and promoter of horse-flesh he was equally well known to all the old devotees of the turf. He owned several of the best bred horses in the country. In all turf matters in this section of the country he was always a leading spirit. He dearly loved fair play and always discountenanced anything that had the appearance of dishonesty.

Checkers.

A LETTER FROM J. LABADIE.

CHATHAM, Ont., Jan. 7, 1878.

EDITOR CLIPPER. Having made a statement regarding my retirement, I must now state the following (independent of any organization): I hereby challenge J. M. Dykes to play a match of checkers, consisting of fifty games, for \$200 a side and the championship of Canada. As it was inconvenient to leave a deposit with you, to show that I mean business I have deposited \$50 in the hands of Mr. W. Maisonneville, president of the late Canadian Checker Club of Chatham. This challenge is extended to all actual resident players of the Dominion, and if not accepted within forty days from date, I shall claim, and be ready at all times to defend, the title of Dominion draughts champion. Respectfully yours,
J. LABADIE.

(We have received a note from Mr. M. acknowledging the reception of \$50 from Mr. Labadie. Ed. Clipper.)

Base Ball.

MUTUALS, LONDON.

At the annual meeting of the Mutual Base Ball Club the following officers were elected for 1878: D. S. Ferrin, Hon. President; A. Scrawton, President; W. H. Birrol, Vice-President; B. C. McCann, Second Vice-President; J. McDowell, Secretary; E. Kidner, Treasurer; B. Rao, Manager; and W. Mountjoy, Captain. Committee of Management—Wm. Magee, W. Pearson, J. McMartin, J. McDowell and J. McPherson.

Harry Spence will not play ball next season, having secured a lucrative "engagement" in a Washington Government office.

LEGAL RECOGNITION OF CANINE PROPERTY.

On the 22nd of July last Mr. Hite, residing in Allans, N. J., and having in charge Mr. E. S. Sanford's Gordon setter Oberon, walked over to a neighbor's in Allenwood, the dog following him. While Hite was indoors he heard the report of a gun, and soon afterwards was informed by a boy that one Tom Allen had shot Oberon. Proceeding to the road they found traces of blood and hair, and tracks of two persons, one bare-footed. These tracks were afterwards traced to a spot where the dog had been hastily buried, though subsequently the body was removed to some other spot, the exact locality of which was not discovered, though it is claimed to have been in Allen's backyard. These facts were elicited in a civil suit for damages brought by the owner against Allen. Allen admitted shooting a dog at the time specified, but claimed that it was not Oberon. Further evidence showed Allen to have had in his possession a collar from which the plate bearing Mr. Sanford's name had been removed. The leather portion bore a peculiar stamp by which it was identified. The jury awarded Mr. Sanford \$300 damages. No provocation was alleged for the shooting of the animal, the act appearing to be incited by mere wanton devilishness on the part of the perpetrator.

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No. 3, \$225. 2:38 Class. (Bar Deceit and Alexander.) \$125, \$50, \$30, \$20.
No. 4, \$300. 2:25 Class. \$150, \$70, \$50, \$30.

3rd DAY—FRIDAY.

No. 5, \$175. 2:50 Class, owned in Canada on and since 1st October, 1877. (Bar Deceit.) \$100, \$40, \$20, \$15.
No. 6, \$300. 2:30 class. \$150, \$70, \$50, \$30.

4th DAY—SATURDAY.

No. 7, \$225. 2:35 Class. \$125, \$50, \$30, \$20.
No. 8, \$200. Dash of 5 miles for all horses that have never beaten 2:40. \$100, \$50, \$30, \$20.

No. 9, \$500. "Free for All." \$250, \$125, \$75, \$50.

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