

# THOROUGHBRED MARES FOR QUEBEC HOW THE LATE GEORGE PRICE COACHED BOWDOIN CREW IN '72

The wisdom of Government encouragement for the breeding of thoroughbred horses is exemplified in the province of Quebec.

George Price, whose death occurred Friday in St. John, will be remembered by many Bangor men, especially those among the graduates of Bowdoin in the 70s. He was the coach of Bowdoin's first crew, and trained the crew in '72 and '73. The best reminiscence of George Price is told by Dr. D. A. Robinson, of this city, of the class of '73, Bowdoin, in The Tales of Bowdoin, published in 1901, which begins with the inception of rowing at Bowdoin, and takes it up to the first great boat race, when George Price came to Brunswick as a coach to the Bowdoin crew. Robinson was one of the crew.

Price as a Coach. Dr. Robinson relates at much length the early difficulties of the crew, how when the new shell came it was found that an old lady in examining it, while coming down on the boat, had poked a hole through it with the end of her umbrella; how finally they got their new shell repaired and new oars from Ross of New Brunswick, the famous oar-maker of the Paris crew. Two weeks before the time appointed for the race, which was to be the second week in July, they went to Springfield. He comments upon the differ at crews and quotes the comments of John Biglin, a famous oarsman of those days:

The Paris Crew Stroke. "As we went by," says Dr. Robinson, "Biglin looked at the crew a moment and, recognizing the familiar swing of

the Paris crew stroke, he said, 'That must be the crew that George Price is training.' Then it is the Bowdoin crew," said the reporter. "What a queer stroke," said a Yale man, who was in the group, "Isn't that what they call rowing in a circle?" Biglin, whose eyes had not been taken from the crew since it came into sight, turned to the students about him and said, "You may call that rowing in a circle, or whatever you like, but if they can make their boat go over the course like that the day of the race, that's the winning crew."

A Great Victory. The story of the race is history. Bowdoin led almost to the finish, passing Yale, Brown, Harvard, Amherst followed near the finish with Harvard a few lengths behind. The stroke went up to 48, when suddenly the fatal lurch to port took place. It was so heavy that the boat lost her headway, rocked from side to side and Amherst and Harvard passed them as though they were at anchor. Bowdoin got going again in time to finish third, with a man unconscious in the boat, and Captain Johnson turned into defeat—Bangor Commercial.

## CAMBRIDGE NAMED AS FAVORITE

Putney, March 30.—The Oxford and Cambridge crews which will meet in their annual boat race on Saturday next have been practising in the tide way for more than a week, and interest in the event has increased greatly. With the help of fine rowing weather, splendid time has been made, Oxford breaking the record for this course and Cambridge establishing new time for a spurt from Putney to Hamlets, doing the distance twenty-three seconds faster than the previous best time.

Rowing men, however, place little reliance on the time made at trials, pointing to Harvard's splendid record in practice and the failure in the race against Cambridge. With experts Cambridge continues to be a favorite, much faith being put in Stuart, who has stroked the crew to victory so often and who has the knack of getting his boat away faster than Oxford is able to do.

## PRO-AMATEUR GAME MAKES TROUBLE

The question of amateur and professional baseball teams playing against one another promises to create trouble in Toronto. On Saturday night the Toronto Eastern League team played an indoor game against the Garrison Athletic Club team in the Toronto Armories. It was very poor baseball, the Maple Leafs not being used to playing under cover, had ten errors and the score was near the twenties. That is not what is troubling President Merrick, of the C. A. U., however. He says the Garrison C. C. team knew they could not go up against professionals and he is going to suspend the whole club just as soon as he can confer with Messrs. Stark and Crow.

## CANADIAN MARATHON PROPOSED

Fred Simpson, the Ojibway Marathoner, has proposed that a Canadian Marathon be arranged, a Marathon open only to Canadian professionals. The proposal is likely to be taken up, and Victoria Day spoken of as the day, and the Montreal Arena as the place for the big event. If the race becomes a reality it will have a representative field, Longboat from Ontario; Holmer, from the Maritime Provinces; Fred Simpson and others. The Montreal Arena next week is to be fitted up for long distance racing. A dirt track is to be laid, properly marked and measured for the Marathon distance.

## ODDS AND ENDS.

At the meet of the C. A. A. O. at Toronto, the dates for the annual regatta on the Henley course at St. Catharines were fixed for July 30 and 31. A quarter of a mile race for senior scullers may be added to the program.

The performances in the Harvard scratch high jump contest on Soldier's field were only average, only two men clearing the bar at more than 5 feet 6 inches; J. Wheelwright winning with 5ft. 9in. R. G. Harwood cleared the bar at the same height, but is still ineligible. Four men tied for second place, at 5ft. 5in. E. A. Reed, H. P. Pope, F. C. Lawrence, and P. Smith, '11.

If Flanagan goes on the track at the Polo grounds at New York next Friday and attempts any of the unfair tactics he worked on me in my race with Longboat, I'll pitch him out of the grounds. I tell you I'll go, the race if the officials permit him to get on the track and pace his man." This is what Alfred Shrubbs, the long-distance runner said, and added: "There will be a riot at New York if any crooked work of that

## SIX ENTRES FOR THE BIG \$10,000 RACE

New York, March 31.—In condition to run the race of their careers, six long distance runners, the pick of five countries, will tomorrow finish their hard training for the \$10,000 Marathon Derby to be decided at the polo grounds Saturday afternoon. Each of the sextette will have as a final workout a long jog ranging from 12 to 20 miles. Tom Flanagan has arranged a 20 mile run over the roads of Westchester for his charge, Tom Longboat. Dorando, the little Italian representative, has been trying to acustom himself to running on turf and tomorrow will jog fifteen miles on the grass common of Central Park.

Matt Maloney, who is credited with holding the world's record for Marathon outdoors, has elected to go on a 15 mile jaunt from Yonkers. Johnny Hayes will also go a fifteen mile trial. Alfred Shrubbs, who will bear the colors of the British Isles in the race, will cover from 18 to 20 miles at a fast clip. "His man" lengthens the distance so that he may judge if he can go the entire route.

Henry St. Ives, the Frenchman, who was training at Princeton, will go only 12 miles, as he had a two-hour workout the other day. The men will confine their efforts to long walks until the time set for the start of the contest, as it is a hard matter to judge a winner of a Marathon on past performances.

## LITTLEFIELD CHALLENGES ALF. LYNCH

Albert Littlefield is out after several of the Maritime Provinces boxers, including Alfie Lynch. Littlefield wants to box at 125 pounds, give or take five pounds. His challenge is signed on his behalf by "Kid" Smith, and appeared in the Acadian Recorder of Halifax on Tuesday. It is as follows:

Will you kindly issue this in your valuable paper.—I, Albert Littlefield, will box Matthews, of Halifax, or Johnny MacIntyre, or Alf Lynch, at 125 pounds, give or take 5 pounds. An early answer will oblige. On behalf of Albert Littlefield, KID SMITH.

## Halifax Men For Boxing Championships

Dickson, a soldier in the Halifax garrison, who did so well last year at the Canadian boxing championships in Toronto, will go to the Queen City again this spring. He is entered in the 115 and 125 pound classes. Mott, another Halifax soldier, is entered in the 125 and 135 pound classes.

## Trotting Meet at Woodstock.

Woodstock, April 1.—The manager of the Woodstock Trotting Park are anticipating holding a two days meet, July 23, with five classes, \$50 each, as follows: 2-15, 2-18, 2-21, 2-27 and 2-40, all trot and pace. These dates are the week following the Fredericton meeting. The management propose in consideration of the hotels and citizens guaranteeing two of the purses—that is the balance over above the entrance money—to guarantee the other three purses and go ahead with the programme as outlined above.

## Rank And Fashion.

"Are there degrees of rank in the servants' hall?" "To be sure. Maids who have charge of dolls' wons' with maids who look after children."—Louisville Courier Journal.

## JEFF WILL ANSWER WHEN HE'S READY

"There is no way Jack Johnson can make me talk until I get good and ready to answer him," was Jim Jeffries' reply to the remark of the colored heavy-weight regarding the time in which he would give Jeffries an answer his challenge. When he was told of the great reception given Johnson in New York, Jim only smiled. Jeffries is rapidly getting over the early effects of his outdoor running, the first of which left his leg muscles sore and stiff. The fear that the arches of his feet would not stand the heavy pounding on the road has passed. Tuesday he covered about five miles, using the roads of the Frazar and ending at the Lawrence Light Guard Armory in Medford.

## FRANK GOTCH SIGNS TO MEET HACKENSCHMID

Chicago, Ill., Mar. 31.—Frank Gotch, champion wrestler of the world, announced today that he had signed articles to meet George Hackenschmidt in January, at Melbourne, Australia. Gotch says that he has accepted an offer of \$13,000, win, lose, or draw, to meet Hackenschmidt, whom he defeated here last year.

## BOXING GOSSIP.

Jack (Twin) Sullivan has called off his match with Al Kubiak, which was to have been held at Philadelphia a week from Tuesday, because the financial inducements are not large enough. Jack has been offered a chance to meet Al Kaufman at the Marathon A. C., Brooklyn, and has practically accepted, but there is a likelihood that Stanley Ketchell will be pitted against the big Californian instead.

Willie Lewis, the American middle-weight, is matched to meet Herbert Sinnott at Brussels Friday night. Will he certainly fall into a lot of easy money since going abroad.

Abe Attell injured his hand badly in his bout with Frankie White at Dayton the other night. Jim Corbett is of the opinion that the little champion is fighting too often, and that he is in need of a long rest.

## Jim Barry has been secured to take the place of Al Kaufman at the Armory A. A. April 6.

Speaking of Kaufman's departure, Hugh McLean, manager of Persimmon, said: "Calling off the match card is attributable to one thing and that was fear of the outcome."

Jack Monroe, the retired heavy-weight, must be quite a fellow in Elk City, Ont., for he has been elected mayor.

## Auto-Boat Exposition.

Monte Carlo, Mar. 31.—The International Auto-Boat Exposition was opened here today by the Prince of Monaco. Six countries will be represented and there are 101 entries. As there will not be any big automobile road contests this year, these contents will lafford the 1909 test for explosive motors. Americans are participating for the first time with the Dixie II, and Standard and they hope to repeat their victory in the British Auto-Boat contest.

## Misunderstood.

The Hobo—"Scuse me, ma'am, but I'm orter hungry, an' if you'll gimme a chanc' t' work—"

The Lady—"Certainly. There's the woodpile and the ax."

The Hobo—"Scuse me, ma'am, but I was about t' say dat if you'll gimme a chanc' t' work yonse, for me breakfast, I'd be much obliged."

## SMALL CHILD IS BURNED TO DEATH

Amherst, March 31.—News of a sad accident at Chipman Settlement was heard here today, when the three year old child of Amasa Embree, of that place, lost his life. Mrs. Embree was scrubbing with an old fashioned mop with a long handle, using a pail of boiling water. In some way the little one fell backwards into the pail, scalding itself so that the flesh to the armpits was literally cooked. After suffering extreme pain death came to its relief. The funeral took place yesterday at North Port. The family are almost distraught.

## IN THE COURTS

Probate Court. Argument of counsel in the matter of the estate of James Murphy, deceased, was concluded before Judge Armstrong yesterday.

Mr. S. B. Bustin appeared for the executor, Dr. A. W. MacRae, K. C., and Mr. T. F. Began for creditors.

## Police Court.

There was no business transacted in the police court yesterday. Murray Northrup and Fred Watson, two coachmen, have been reported by I. C. R. Policeman Smith for going beyond the coachmen's stand at the depot and soliciting passengers arriving on the Boston train Tuesday night. The case will be heard on Friday morning.

## PHOTO PRIZE WINNERS AT NICKEL.

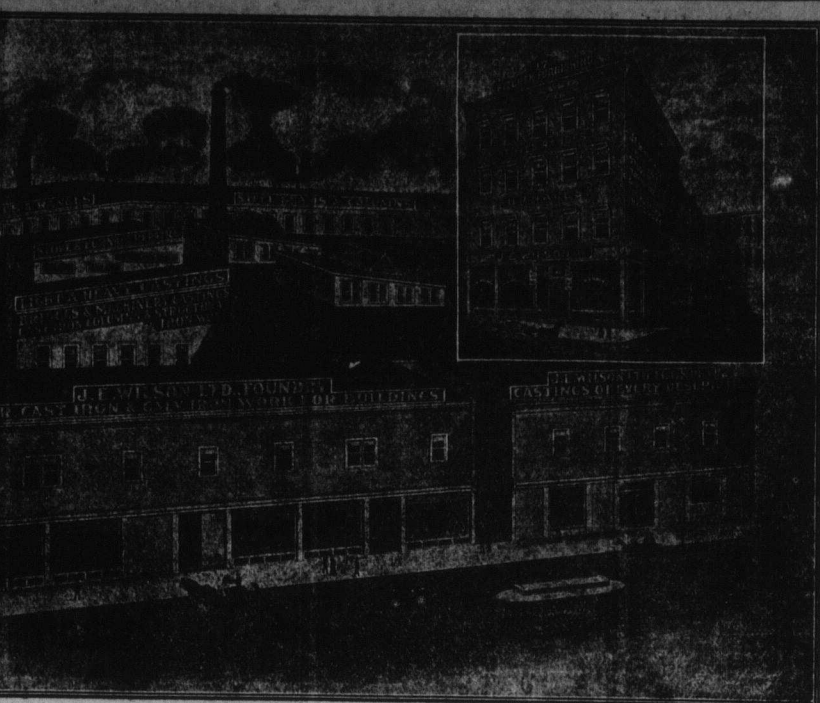
Two brand new attractions at the Nickel today — one, the exhibition of prize-winning children in the Snapshot Competition, and the other, "A Trip Through the Ruined City of Pompeii," which will be of exceptional educational value. An on previous Thursdays all children identified when shown upon the screen will be presented with saving bank accounts of one dollar each. Today Mr. Barnett will continue in his Harry Lauder song "Tobermory," which made such a hit last evening, and both Miss Edwards and Mr. Courtin will have new vocal numbers. The additional pictures are: "A Burglar Cupid," "The Bewitched Manor House," and "Tommy's Own Invention." Orchestra usual.

## The Question Of The Organ.

The question whether playing of an organ as a part of a religious service is an infraction of the Sabbath laws caused much discussion in Berlin recently. The Jewish congregations of that city have considered organ playing as work and have always employed non-Jews for that purpose. When it was proposed to allow the Jews to do the "work" the discussion arose, with the result that the question was laid for decision before a board of nine rabbis, of whom four voted for and four against the innovation, and one leaned both ways, and finally agreed to a compromise which must have been favorable to the liberals, because several charges in their favor have already been made.

## CHARGED WITH MURDER

Terre Haute, Ind., March 30.—Charged with the murder of Rose Tritt at Sandford, Ind., 32 years ago, Sylvester Burnham is to be arrested in Texas. Requisition papers were obtained today from Governor Marshall at Indianapolis. The police will not say in what part of Texas Burnham is living. He is said to be a wealthy ranch owner.



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## TETRAZZINI SINGS IN BOSTON FIRST TIME AT OPERA OPENING

Speaking of Madame Tetrazzini who sang in the Boston Theatre, Monday night at the opening of the opera season in Boston, the Herald of that city says:—"Mme. Tetrazzini, whose fame was suddenly international sang for the first time in this city. The pleasure given by Mr. Constantino as a member of the 'San Carlo' Company is fresh in the minds of many; Mr. Polese is a new comer. Mr. Campanini has not conducted here since the spring of 1888, when a young man, he led the first performance in Boston of Verdi's 'Otello.' His brother, Italo Campanini, was the Moor and Miss Tetrazzini, now his wife, and a sister of Mme. Luisa, the Lucia of last night, was the Desdemona.

The theatre was crowded last evening, with a brilliant and most enthusiastic audience. There was naturally curiosity to hear the famous soprano, but the performance was by no means merely a display of bravura, for the opera was performed with unusual regard for detail, and Mr. Campanini conducted with as much apparent interest as though the score were by the later Verdi, or an ultra-modern Frenchman. "Lucia" has not had such respect shown it in this city for many years; nor did the audience leave with a sigh of relief after the "mad scene."

## Conventional As An Actress.

As an actress, she moves in conventional grooves; she is not irresistibly dramatic, but she is not stiff or constrained, and in the "mad scene" apart from her remarkable singing, she was neither tiresome nor ridiculous, and this is saying much.

She was recalled again and again after the first act. After the first scene of the second act there was comparatively little applause; after the "Mad Scene" tumult was at its height. After the first and long continued outburst of applause there were

## Elusive Spring.

We cannot hurry Spring along  
By writing dainty sonnets;  
Nor will she hasten her approach  
To greet befowered bonnets.  
The children of the earth may coax  
In accents strong and steady;  
Fair Spring will grant her presence  
When she gets good and ready.

Nor will the auto painted fresh  
And bright for Springtime touring  
Or light canoe upon the bank  
Or on the stream alluring.  
Or e'en the signs "Keep off the Grass"  
The slightest bit affect her  
She will not hump herself because  
We want her and expect her.

The anxious housewife, broom in hand  
And head tied up, awaits her;  
The baseball fan, who wants to dance  
And shout again, berates her.  
But she, elusive, fanciful,  
Holds off to chide and tease us,  
She will not come a day too soon,  
Although she knows 'twill please us.

We cannot hurry Spring at all  
By sonnets or by sonnets,  
She will not hasten her approach  
To greet ye mammoth bonnets.  
In fact, we dread to have her see  
Such millinery gearing,  
For fear she might reverse her mind  
And cancel her appearing.  
—Joe Cone, in Boston Herald.

## THIRD SQUADRON SAILS.

Amoy, Mar. 31.—The third squadron of the American Pacific fleet, under command of Read Admiral G. B. Harber, sailed for Shanghai, at 7 o'clock this morning.

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