

Canadian Turf.

TROTTING AT MONTREAL.

A snow meeting was held over the Fashion Course, Blue Bonnets, Montreal, on Saturday, 6th inst., under the management of Mr. Wm. Carson. The attendance was quite large, and the sport was good.

BLUE BONNETS, Montreal, Jan. 6.—Snow Trotting—\$50; for horses that never won public money. Mile heats, 3 in 5. 30, 15, 5.

Mr Lajousness's Prodigal Son 1 1 1
Mr Lawlor's m Topsy 2 2 2
Mr Malotte's Butcher Boy 3 3 3
Mr Gervais's Carryall dr
Mr Larriere's Red Dan dr

No time.

Same Day—\$12; for hack horses. Mile heats, 3 in 5. \$10, 2.

Mr McCarthy's Grifintown Maid 1 1 1
Mr Jaynes's Honest Kate 2 2 2
Mr Canning's Smuggler dis

No time.

NAMES CLAIMED.

GREAT WESTERN.—I claim the name of Great Western for my bay colt, 16 hands high, sired by Gibson's Douglas, dam by Prince of Wales.—DAVID GILLIS, St. Catharines.

ENDOR, for ch m, foaled 1868, by son of Bonnie Laddie (son of imp. Glencoe), dam Mary C, by imp. Knight of St. George; 2nd dam Mary Christmas, by Rodetick Dhu.

BONNIE HAMBLETONIAN, for ch c, foaled 1875, by Poser's Hambletonian, dam Endor, by Bonnie Laddie (as above).

THE WITCH, for ch f, foaled 1876, by Almont, dam Endor (as above).

OCTOBER, for br f, foaled 1871, by Melbourne, Jr., dam Ruric mare, by Ruric; 2nd dam Volga, by imp. Glencoe.

MARY L, for b f, foaled 1872, by Melbourne, Jr., dam Vanetta, by Vandal.—W. DEMPSTER.

CONSTITUTION OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF TROTTING HORSE BREEDERS.

At a meeting of the breeders of the Trotting Horse, held in New York, on the 20th ult., an Association was formed, of which Mr. Chas. Backman, Stony Ford, Orange Co., N. Y., was elected President; Mr. L. D. Packer, of New York, Secretary; and Mr. Clark Bell, New York, Treasurer. At the same time the following constitution was adopted:

ARTICLE I.—OBJECT.

Section 1. This association is formed to advance the legitimate interests of the breeders of the trotting horse.

NAME.

Sec. 2. Its name shall be "The National Association of Trotting Horse Breeders."

ARTICLE II.—OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES.

Section 1. The officers of this association shall be a president, three vice-presidents (to be known as first, second and third vice-presidents), a secretary, a treasurer and five directors, who shall perform the several duties hereby imposed, and shall constitute the Executive Committee of the Association.

Sec. 2. These officers shall be chosen at the adoption of this Constitution, and shall hold their offices until the first annual meeting of the association, and until their successors are duly elected. At the first annual meeting they shall be elected, and they shall be chosen annually thereafter, by ballot.

Sec. 3. The president shall preside at all meetings of this association and of the executive committee, and shall be the chief executive officer of the same.

Sec. 4. The vice-presidents in their order shall preside in the absence of the president, and act as president in case of his death, resignation, or refusal to serve.

Sec. 5. The secretary shall keep the minutes and records of the association, conduct its correspondence, and perform such other duties as may be required of him by the president or the executive committee.

Sec. 6. The treasurer shall have the custody of all the funds of the association, collect all dues and pay out the same on the order of the president. He shall also make a statement of the

of the charges having been first furnished to the accused, with an opportunity of being heard in his defense.

Any member considering himself aggrieved by such action may appeal to the Association, when the proceedings shall be reviewed, and a majority vote may affirm or reverse the action of the Executive Committee in any such case.

ARTICLE VI.—TROTTING MEETINGS.

Section 1. At least one general Fall meeting shall be held under the auspices of this Association in the month of September in each year, at such date and place as shall be announced by the Executive Committee. Entries can be confined to colts of five years old, and owned or bred by members, or the get of stallions owned or stood by members.

Sec. 2. The pool box shall be prohibited at all meetings, and all forms of gambling.

Sec. 3. Entries shall be made in each class on or before the first Monday of July thereafter, and the remaining fifty per cent. ten days before the meeting.

The total entry money to form sweepstakes to be awarded as follows: Two-thirds to the winner; two-thirds of the remainder to the second horse, and the residue to the third horse.

Sec. 4. All matters of detail in relation to such meeting to be settled by the Executive Committee, of which timely announcement shall be made through the public press.

The rules of the National Association shall govern in all contests.

Sec. 5. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to encourage the holding of trotting meetings for colts and fillies of five years old and under by organizations throughout the country, under the auspices of this Association, upon such terms and conditions as to them shall seem meet and just.

Sec. 6. Vacancies occurring in any office for any reason shall be filled by the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE VII.—BOARD OF CENSORS.

Section 1. The Executive Committee shall appoint, annually, five trusty and skillful men, who shall have charge of all questions relating to pedigrees, and be designated as the Board of Censors.

Sec. 2. The supervisory control of the pedigrees in "Wallace's American Trotting Register" having been tendered to this Association, the same is accepted, and the said "Register" is hereby declared to be the official record of pedigrees, subject, always, to such corrections and changes as the facts may require. In assuming and exercising this control, the Board of Censors on pedigrees provided for, and to whom this duty is specially entrusted, will be governed by the following regulations:

Sec. 3. Its duty shall be to examine all doubtful pedigrees brought to its notice in the first and second volumes of the "Trotting Register," and indicate to the compiler all additions, erasures and corrections that should be made in said pedigrees, and order them to be reinscribed in the third volume, as corrected. Provided, That when the compiler objects to any change, his reasons therefor shall be submitted in writing, and be fully considered before the decision is made.

Sec. 4. It shall be the duty of the Board of Censors to examine the third and all succeeding volumes of the "Register" before publication, and consider and determine the forms in which they shall appear.

Sec. 5. The Board of Censors shall establish certain rules with regard to giving names to horses, and require those rules to be observed in the Register, so that all clashing and confusion from duplication or approximations will be avoided.

Sec. 6. When any disagreement arises between a party contributing a pedigree and the compiler of the "Register," it shall be referred to the Board of Censors, and after a free hearing and examination of the evidence on both sides, the decision shall be so recorded. This provision shall apply to disagreements in recorded pedigrees, as well as those offered for record.

Sec. 7. In order to establish the truth, and check fraud, the Board of Censors may order any pedigree inserted in the Register in its true form, without the application or wish of the owners—provided, however, that ninety days' notice shall be given.

Sec. 8. In all contested cases, the Board of Censors shall keep a plain record of its proceedings and findings, and not only the pedigrees themselves, but all evidence substantiating them, shall be reduced to writing and filed in the office of the "Register."

ARTICLE VIII.—BY-LAWS.

Sec. 1. The Executive Committee shall frame such by-laws for its own government of the Association as are, in their judgment, for the best interests of the Association, not inconsistent with this Constitution.

The Trigger.

SHOOTING AT BRANTFORD.

A Pigeon Shooting match was held lately at John Orr's, near Brantford. Two matches were disposed of. The first was a sweepstakes of \$20, and resulted in a tie between T. Ramsay, T. Glasco and C. Wade. The tie was shot off, and T. Ramsay and T. Glasco being again equal, the purse was divided between them, each taking \$10. The second match was for a purse of \$24, and was won by H. T. Westbrook and J. H. Jull, who, being ties, took \$10 each, and T. Ramsay, \$1. The following is the score:—

FIRST MATCH.

H T Westbrook	1	0	1	0	1	3
J H Jull	1	0	0	1	0	2
T Ramsay	1	1	1	0	1	4
T Glasco	0	1	1	1	1	4
C Wade	1	0	1	1	1	4

SECOND MATCH.

H T Westbrook	1	1	1	1	1	5
J H Jull	1	1	1	1	1	5
T Ramsay	0	1	1	1	1	4
T Glasco	1	0	1	1	0	3
C Wade	1	0	1	0	1	3
C Fisher	0	1	1	1	0	3

A Pigeon match was also held between a team from Guelph and a Brantford team, on the Fair Grounds, Brantford, on Thursday, 4th inst., resulting in a victory for the home team. The following is the score:—

BRANTFORD TEAM.

Thos Ramsay	1	1	1	1	1	5
J H Jull	1	0	0	1	1	3
W Hunter	0	1	1	1	1	4
C Pace	1	0	1	0	1	3
H T Westbrook	1	1	1	1	1	5
C Fisher	0	1	1	1	1	4

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GUELPH TEAM.

Oliver	1	1	1	1	1	5
West	1	0	1	0	1	3
Deady	1	0	0	1	0	2
Sleeman	1	0	1	0	1	3
O'Connor	1	0	1	0	1	3
Cribs	1	1	0	1	0	3

Killed 19

PIGEON MATCHES AT BURLINGTON BEACH.

A pigeon match took place at Mr. D. Fitch's hotel, on Tuesday, the 8th inst. The following is the score:

	1st Match	Ties	2nd Match	Ties
P Bates	1	1	0	1
H Addison	1	1	0	1
J Barnard	1	1	1	1
D Fitch	1	1	1	1
H McKee	1	1	0	1
T Armstrong	1	0	0	1
H Swazie	0	0	1	0
McLeod	0	0	1	0

MUMMERY CHALLENGES PIKE.

LONDON, ONT., Jan. 15, 1877.

To the Editor of Sporting Times.

DEAR SIR.—Will you kindly publish the following.—I hereby challenge John Pike of Chatham, Ont., to shoot me a pigeon match for \$100 a side, H. and T. ground traps, at 50 birds, Chatham Rules to govern, same as used in their late tournament. I will furnish all the birds free if Mr. Pike will come to London and shoot, or, I will go to Chatham and shoot if he will find the birds free. The birds to be put in one box with a cloth thrown over the box and a trapper selected who shall put his hand under the cloth and take the pigeons from the box as they come, no selecting the birds. The match to be shot within three weeks from date. \$25 to be placed in the hands of Mr. Roche, Rankin House, Chatham, as forfeit, when I will send my \$25 as forfeit, the rest of the stakes to be put up on the day of shooting. Hoping to hear from Mr. Pike soon.

I remain, respectfully yours,
WALTER MUMMERY.

SMALL SHOT.

Amusements.

CITY.

Mr. Milton Nobles commenced his first starring engagement in Toronto at Mrs. Morrison's Grand Opera House, on Monday evening in his dramatic picture of New York life entitled *The Phoenix*, in which he plays the double characters of a Bohemian and "The Phoenix." The piece is made up of stirring incidents, cleverly strung together, and is one of the best of its kind on the stage. Owing to detention of Mr. Nobles, the drama was not properly put on the opening night, and a great improvement was noticeable on Wednesday. Tuesday evening, Mrs. Morrison took a benefit under the patronage of the Governor General and the Countess of Dufferin. Arrah-na-Pogue was the bill; Mr. Dominick Murray was specially engaged to play Shaun, and Mrs. Morrison appeared as Arrah Meehah. Mr. Alf. Hudson made his first appearance in this piece at his recent severe indisposition. The attendance was very large. This evening Mr. Nobles takes his benefit when *Diamonds in the Rough* will be the attraction.

At the Royal Opera House on Monday and Tuesday evenings, the *Willow Copse* was the bill, with Mr. Couldock in his great role of Luke Fielding, and Miss Sophie Miles as Rose. It was one of the finest dramatic performances of the season, and should have been more liberally patronized. Mr. Couldock was grand as Luke, and Miss Miles' impersonation of Rose was a powerful effort. On Wednesday and Thursday, *The Streets of New York*. This Friday and Saturday evenings Mr. Cool Burgess has the house, and besides introducing his own company in their specialties, the regular company has been engaged. *The Chimney Corner*, with Mr. Couldock as Peter Probit, this evening; and *Black Eyed Susan* for Saturday. During Mr. Burgess' occupancy the prices have been materially reduced. Several novelties are in preparation.

GENERAL.

MONTREAL.—The Academy of Music reopened on Monday with Oliver Doud Byron as the star in *Across the Continent*. On Wednesday evening Ben. McCollough was the programme.

HAMILTON.—The Lilliputian Opera Co. failed to connect, being delayed in Michigan by the severe snow storm. The Hamilton Dramatic Company (amateurs) produce *The Octoroon* this Friday evening. Miss Lillie Lonsdale plays Zoe. The Robertson-Lumsden combination give a Scottish concert at Mechanics' Hall, on Thursday 25th. Bishop, with his exposure of spiritualism, Mechanics' Hall, Jan. 29.

LONDON.—Amateur Minstrels on the 15th to a good house. Operetta of Laila, by school children of London east, at Holman Opera House on 16th. Tom Allen and Mike Madden, pugilists, are making arrangements for a sparring exhibition. Miss Sallie Holman is still confined to her room with a seriously sprained ankle.

FR. SARNIA.—Holman Opera Co., Jan. 17.

HALIFAX.—The new Academy of Music has been successfully inaugurated by the Halifax Musical Union, the Boston Philharmonic Club, and the celebrated Rudolphsen Vocal Quartette. The best singers were Mr. Tower and Mr. Rudolphsen, and Miss McQueen and Miss Holmes. This theatre is considered one of the prettiest in the Dominion. Mr. Wm. Nannary, theatrical manager, has leased the new Music Hall for one hundred nights, and is bringing on a first class theatrical and combination troupe. The star lady will be Miss Florry A. Ettyngo. It opens on Monday the 15th inst.

\$700 IN PREMIUMS.



Toronto Winter Races!

1877.

Woodbine Park.

TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY
January 30, 31, & February 1

FIRST DAY.

No. 1—\$50—Open to all trotters and pacers owned by Drivers or Owners within ten miles of Toronto that have never beaten a time of \$30 to first, 15 to second, 5 to third.
No. 2—\$175—2:33 class. \$125 to first, 25 second, 15 to third, 10 to fourth.

SECOND DAY.

No. 3—\$150—2:30 class. \$100 to first, 25 second, 15 to third, 10 to fourth.
No. 4—\$100—2:37 class. \$100 to first, 25 second, 15 to third, 10 to fourth.

THIRD DAY.

No. 5—\$100—2:40 class. \$100 to first, 25 second, 15 to third, 10 to fourth.
No. 6—\$225—Free for all. \$150 to first, 25 second, 30 to third, 15 to fourth.

The above races, when not specified to the contrary are open to all.

CONDITIONS:

All races mile heat, 3 in 5. Entrance 10 per cent. of purse. Horses must be eligible at date of bill. Entries close on Saturday, January 27, to be addressed to the Secretary, at the Montreal Times Office. Money must accompany nominations in all cases.
Messrs. Quimby & Forbes will sell Pools on the above races at Turf Club House, and on the track.
Admission, 25 cents. Stands free.

FRANK MARTIN, JOHN FLEMING,
Treasurer. Secretary.
Toronto, Jan. 16, 1876.



MONTREAL

Trotting Races.

BEAUFORT PARK

Jan. 23, 24, & 25.

FIRST DAY—No. 1—\$75—2:35 class. \$50 to first, 10 to second, 5 to third, 5 to fourth.
No. 2—\$100—For horses that have never won a race. \$75 to first, 15 to second, 10 to third, 10 to fourth.
SECOND DAY—No. 3—\$75—2:35 class. \$50 to first, 10 to second, 5 to third, 5 to fourth.
No. 4—\$50—Free for all. 10 mile dash.
THIRD DAY—No. 5—\$50—2:40 class. \$30 to first, 10 to second, 5 to third, 5 to fourth.
No. 6—\$200—Free for all.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

All races, 3 in 5, except No. 1.
Balls, lasting weight, 10 per cent. extra.
Entries close 20th January. Stakes must be paid on the day of the race.