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## IMPORTATION OF KYRLE DALY.

Mr. John Haber, of Lancaster, O., has imported a splendid specimen of the thoroughbred in the bay horse Kyrle Daly. He arrived in New York from Monday, Dec. 2, by the steamer Bolivia, from Glasgow, and was taken to the bonded warehouse stables of Mr. Robert Howard, Nos. 598 and 600 Greenwich Street, where he remained till Thursday, when he was shipped to his new home at Lancaster. He had an unusually smooth voyage, and he shows it, he is in perfect fettle, full of health and spirits. In point of uniform symmetry and proportion, we never saw an English racehorse who surpassed him. It is simply unjust to the horse to undertake to describe in detail his remarkable line of form. Kyrle Daly was bred in County Wick, Ireland, and foaled in 1870, by Artilleryman of Toughstone and Jeannette, by Irish (sire), out of Colleen Blue, by Gammie Terry; second dam Princess, by Retriever; third dam Egidius, by Economist; fourth dam Pratt, by Blacklock; fifth dam Gadabout; sixth dam Minstrel, by Sir Peter; seventh dam Matron, by Florizel, eighth dam Helen, by Matchem; ninth dam by Squirt; tenth dam by Mogul; twelfth dam by a son of Swallow Turk; thirteenth dam Old Lady, by Mine's Chestnut Arab; fourteenth dam by Wood; and fifteenth dam by Buster, a son of Swallow Turk. In color Kyrle Daly is a rich bay, is 16 1/2 hands, with a star between a pair of eyes set wide apart, and presenting a handsome full face; below the eyes, and just above the near nostril, is a stray white spot, of regular shape, and scarcely an inch in diameter. These marks contribute much to his appearance. His nostrils are large and expanding, his muzzle is simply beautiful, the head neat, and bony; the ear fine, small, and pointed, and the eyes large, full, and expressive. His countenance bears the impress of a quiet temper, free from that restlessness incident to a nervous temperament. His head joins the neck to present the muzzle in a beautiful position, rather as if he was reaching out all the way; the jaws are massive and strong, and the throat wide and roomy. The withers rise up from the saddle-piece, and this incline is continued till the neck forms a grand arch, such as gives to the possessor the air of pride and spirit. The shoulders are deep, well set, and powerfully muscled, and oblique in shape; the neck and crib are very large and round, the ribs fill well back to the hip bone, which is an unusually short, strong back, fills his quarters till they are perfect, and the whole is supported by a loin that is perfection itself. We saw the equal of Kyrle Daly in this part of the world. In rear he is smooth, well turned, and muscular; the tail bone is large and strong, and the quarters come together in perfect shape, and are muscled like Hercules. They present a combination of beauty and strength. The legs are excellent, the stifle splendid, and an uncommonly good hock. His legs are black, as is his mane and tail. The legs are better than we have seen in an English racehorse. At the time we thought the canon bones in front were

## TROTTING IN SCOTLAND.

FIVE-MILE MATCH FOR £100 A SIDE.

This match came off near Bathgate, half-way between Edinburgh and Glasgow, on Thursday last, between Mr. J. Dickson's brown horse and Mr. R. Martin's bay horse. Dickson's horse stands 15 hands 3 inches, and Martin's horse 15 hands. The start was to be made at eleven o'clock, but owing to the frost was delayed until two by mutual consent. Both animals were in splendid condition, Dickson's being trained to the hour. Betting was 6 to 4 on Martin's, but at the start even money could be got. Archie Campbell, the well-known trotting jockey, drove Mr. Dickson's, and Harry Giddens, from America, drove Mr. Martin's. They went off to a good start, Martin's leading, closely followed by Dickson's, who, after going 100 yards, got in front, and at two miles and a half was leading by 100 yards. Within a quarter of a mile of the winning post Giddens made his final effort and got within twenty yards, but Campbell's horse, answering to the call, came away and won a splendid race by thirty yards. The horses had been trained by their respective drivers for the last three months, and both were driven in sulks. Mr. Mitchell was appointed referee, and was assisted by Mr. Croan. There was a large turnout of the public, as well as of the principal trotting men of the West, and the principal bookmakers from Edinburgh and Glasgow. Everything passed off satisfactorily. The winner was bought about six months ago from Mr. Torrance, horse-dealer, Edinburgh.—*Sporting Life.*

## WINNING ENGLISH JOCKEYS.

For the sixth year in succession Fred. Archer and Constable are the two leading winning jockeys. In 1873 Constable headed Archer by three wins only, the first-named scoring 110, while Archer's winning mounts numbered 107. Since this date Archer has distanced his brother jockeys in the most marvellous manner, having to his credit during the last six years no fewer than 1,074 victories, which more than doubles Constable's number; who has won 515 races during the same period. Amongst Archer's numerous victories are the Oaks and St. Leger, besides many other races of importance, while Constable holds the proud position of being the rider of this year's Derby winner. Cannon has also ridden remarkably well during the season, placing sixty-six wins to his credit. Lemaire has made a rapid rise in the list by scoring no fewer than sixty-seven wins, mostly won by splendid horsemanship, and he bids fair to have another good season. Morgan has fallen short of his last year's winnings by nearly a score. Goater has improved his position, having about half a dozen more wins to his credit. It has been pleasurable to see George Fordham in the principal winning list, as he has not appeared in the pigskin since 1876. This year he has had 242 mounts, winning fifty-four times, amongst his victories being the Goodwood Stakes; and he has also distinguished himself in his victory on Tower and Sword over Cagliostro in the Three-year-old

become disordered, and it is said he is a roarer.' Great Tom could not have been as bad as described, for he was second to Wild Tommy for a Post Sweepstakes at the Newmarket Craven. He was unplaced to Petrarch for the Guineas and to Kisher for the Derby. He was second to Petrarch for the Prince of Wales Stakes at Ascot, while at the same meeting he ran a 'dead heat' with Glacis for the St. James Palace Stakes. At Doncaster Tom won the Doncaster Stakes over the last mile and a half of the St. Leger course, with 122 pounds up, and at the Newmarket First October he was third to Camembert and Twine the Plaidier for the Beaufort Post Stakes, he finishing the year by running third to his stable companion Skylark for the Newmarket Derby. As a four-year old he started in all six times, beginning at the First October, when he was second to Augusta for the Triennial Produce Stakes. He was unplaced for the Cesarewitch, for which he carried 113 pounds, and at the Second October, and at the same meeting he was third to Springfield for the Champion Stakes. At the Newmarket Houghton he won the Winding-up Handicap, but at Shrewsbury he was beaten for the Queen's Plate and the Hawkstone Welter Cup, for which he carried 176 pounds. It was his last performance, he having been in retirement since. Great Tom was shipped on the National steamship Helvetia, and will be due in New York about to-day. With King Ban in Kentucky and Great Tom in Tennessee the blood of Baron Rothschild's pet stallion King Tom is likely to give a new stimulus to breeding, especially if the youngsters turn out as well as some of the horses got by Phaeton.

## Veterinary.

### ONTARIO VETERINARY COLLEGE.

The usual weekly meeting of the above Society was held in the lecture room of the College on Thursday evening of last week, Prof. A. Smith in the chair. Forty-six members present. After the usual routine business had been proceeded with, Mr. J. Heckenberger, of Catsaugus, Penn., was called on to read an essay on Peritonitis; this was followed by an exciting debate. Mr. S. J. Foelker, of Allentown, Penn., then read a very interesting communication on the "Effects of a prick in the foot of a pregnant mare," causing first abortion, followed by Metro peritonitis. The reading of this paper caused another lively and instructive discussion. The president then followed with a few very appropriate remarks on both papers. Mr. T. C. Grenside, of Guelph, Ont., and Mr. E. Prentice, of Chicago, Ill., volunteered papers for next evening and the meeting then adjourned.

## Fun, Fun and Feather.

### NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY.

At the annual meeting of the Natural History Society of Toronto, the following gentlemen were elected officers for the year 1879. —Prof. H. H. Croft, D. C. L., F. O. S., President; Henry Montgomery, M. A., First Vice-President; Russell Wilkinson, Second Vice-President; J. C. Tibb, Third Vice-President; E. H. Roberts, Esq., Secretary; Wm. Brodie, L. D. S., Treasurer; M. Vardon, Librarian; George E. Shaw, B. A., Curator. After the transaction of the usual routine business, Mr. Brodie communicated some observations on the *Proserpina* variety of *Limnites Arthemis*, and of the great abundance of the normal form in the Muskoka and Magnetawan sections, which seemed to indicate that at present the northern limit of the variety is south of Toronto. Mr. Brodie also read a paper on the structure of the feet of certain species of *Gamasus*, parasitic on Coleoptera, showing from microscopical observations on living specimens, that the feet have suction discs, like the toes of the *Hyladae*, and that by means of these discs they attach themselves to their victims.

### SHOOTING IN PUSLINCH.

On the 6th, a shooting match, four a side, took place at John Lillie's hotel, between Puslinch and Warden. The Warden men proved too much for the Puslinchers as the following score shows:—

WARDEN.	PUSLINCH.
Atkinson..... 3	John Cook..... 4
William..... 4	King..... 4
Lillie..... 6	Daniels..... 8
Blythe..... 6	Jas. Cook..... 8
	19
	14

### AN EAGLE CAPTURED.

Dr. Cook, of Welland, is the possessor of a splendid specimen of the bald headed eagle, which was captured at Port Maitland by a Mr. Chalmers, and by him presented to the Doctor. Its manner of capture shows the danger of being too greedy. He was seen to dive after a fish, which he secured, but on rising from the water his captive proved too heavy for carrying, and dragged his captor down into the water, and thoroughly wetted him. Getting his feathers so saturated with water, the king of birds was unable to rise, a man who was watching the struggle launched a small boat, and rowing out, easily secured him. The bird measures from tip to tip of his wings a little over seven feet.

BURLINGTON—On Dec. 4, at the Bran House, Burlington, Mr. J. N. Barnard, of Hamilton, won the first prize (\$45). The second and third prizes were divided between Mr. Alfred Cuddley and Mr. Fred. Morrison (both of Hamilton) each killing eight birds out of a possible of ten. Owing to the bad weather the sweepstakes was not shot off.

THE STRATHROY KENNEL.—Mr. I. H. Smith, of Strathroy, secured the third prize in the Dupont brace stake, at the Tennessee Sportsmen's Association, at Nashville, Thursday, with Paris and Chip Adams. Drake and Dash, of Boston took first prize and Drew's Lincoln, and Bryson's Gladton of Tennessee, second.

WOODSTOCK.—On Thanksgiving Day the interesting matches took place on the Downs, Woodstock, the first was between Messrs. Jos. E. Thompson and Henry Harwood. The former won. Afterward the sweepstakes took place between Messrs. J. Forbes, Mayhew and George Harwood, resulting as follows.—Harwood, 11 out of 11; Forbes, 9 of 12, and Mayhew, 7 out of 11.

Rabbits are selling in the Winnipeg market at 20 cents each.

Ducks are reported to be very plentiful in Lake Manitoba.

Buffalo meat has made its appearance in the Winnipeg market.

## Base Ball.

### THE CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIP.

The Judiciary Committee of the Canadian Association of Base Ball Players met at the Walker House in this city on Dec. 8 and awarded the championship to the Actives of Woodstock. Now, that that Western (almost the cradle of base ball in Canada) has again obtained the championship, we expect to see the game look up in that section and obtain the prominence it had when it could claim such players as J. F. Case, Bobby Douglas, Bob McWhinnie, Jim W. son, Josh Hill, &c., in its team. The Actives have been purely amateurs and consequently their victory is so much more to their credit. Semi-professional ball playing about the game in this country, and it is highly probable we have seen the last of it in any shape. Clubs should not occupy any positionable position by employing players or allowing salaries in an unbecoming manner. The experience of running but tailed professional teams is not been a happy one, and if lessons are not learned to be gained by experience we are not likely to see any more of them.