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FISH POISONING.

One of the most hurtful practices, in relation to fish, has been that of the discharge of immense quantities of sawdust from mills, into the streams. Some years ago an act was passed prohibiting it, and imposing a small fine for infraction of the law. For a long time but little notice was taken of the matter, but latterly the Fishery Department has been displaying a commendable activity in connexion with it. At first sight it may appear to be a trivial matter, the floating off of sawdust down a mill-stream. But the effect is to drive the fish away as completely as if the water had been poisoned. It is understood that some new recommendations are about to be adopted bearing on the matter, looking, it may be supposed, in the direction of increased stringency. Certainly, it is of little use for the country to pay considerable sums every year to breed fish, if the haunts natural to them are to be plague-stricken by pine dust. The laws relating to the destruction of fish, their illegal capture, and the detention of them down stream by means of nets and other illegal contrivances have not been enforced with sufficient vigor, and it will give satisfaction to the public at large if the finny tribe be preserved among us for the profit and delectation of all.

STOCK PURCHASES.

Mr John Hendrie, of Hamilton, accompanied by Mr. Samuel Tuke, of Detroit, has lately purchased the following thoroughbred horses:—Wild Briar, chestnut filly, three years old, by imported Australian, dam Wild Duck, by imported Eclipse; Don Carlos, bay gelding three years old, by Donerail, dam W. Bedford Belle, by Lexington; bay filly, five years old, by War Dance, dam by Melbourne jr., out of Sally Hughes, by imported Envoy; bay gelding, four years old, by War Dance, dam unknown; and a bay gelding, three years old, full brother to next above. The Lexington, Ky., *Live Stock Journal*, from which we learn the above, says the dam of the two latter geldings is as fine and blood looking like mare as Mr. A. Keene Richards (from whom they were purchased, has on his farm, and, although her pedigree is lost, she is known to be a thoroughbred. Wild Briar and Don Carlos were purchased from Mr. James A. Grinstead. Messrs. Hendrie and Tuke were in Lexington about two weeks and visited the principal breeding establishments in the neighborhood, and have made excellent selections. We wish the gentlemen success with their purchases.

GRAFTON.—The trotting horse Grafton, sold by the Gilman Brothers to Mr. Richard Peniston last Fall for \$4,000, won the trot he was entered for at the last Jackson, Mich., meeting in 2:27, 2:28, 2:30. It is said that \$16,000 will not buy him now.

described as a dark brown mare fifteen and three-quarter hands high, with an uncommonly long body, deep chest and heavy quarters. Though not tall, she was an animal of great size and substance, having fine weight of bone and muscle just where trotters need it, with a loin like a dray horse, she had a finely spread jaw, clean cut wind-pipe, and wide nostrils such as any racer might envy. She was Canadian bred, sired by Young Royal George, her dam by a son of Cour de Lion. She was ten years old at the time of her death, and \$20,000 would not have bought her the day before she died.

A REQUEST.

The secretaries of all Racing Associations throughout the Dominion will place us under an obligation by forwarding to the **SPORTING TIMES** Office correct summaries of all contests on their respective courses. The accounts in the newspapers and by telegraph cannot always be relied upon as correct. It is in the interest of all concerned that the record should be as accurate as possible, as regards name, pedigree and time.

THE DELTA STABLES.

Among the many fine stallions now in the Province for the improvement of stock there are none better worthy of notice than the three standing at the Delta Stables, Hamilton, which are presided over by that veteran trainer of trotting stock, Simon James.

The first of these, **HIGHLAND BOY**, whose pedigree will be found in our advertising columns, is a magnificent looking stallion, standing as much over 16 hands high and weighing about 1,250. In color he is a rich bay, with no white except on the coronet of his hind feet. He seems to combine nearly all the grand qualities of the Messengers with the elegance of the finer strains which he unites with them. He has the heavy loin, stout arm, full chest, and round body of the Messenger, while his handsomely arched neck and finely formed head would remind one of a thoroughbred running horse. He is without a blemish, and a beyond very slight scratch on the hind quarter, without even a scar or pimple.

Next in order comes the grey stallion **WINDFIELD SCOTT**, whose pedigree will be found accompanying that of Highland Boy. He is a size smaller and lighter than Highland Boy, but has plenty of bone and muscle. He has also a peculiarly gamey appearance, looking the trotting stallion all over. In short, it would be hard to suppose him anything but a trotting stallion, and a Messenger at that.

Last and least in point of size comes the little pink of perfection, **HARLEQUIN**, whose almost faultless pedigree will be found with the others. He can be briefly described as a "perfect beauty." What would you have in a trotting stallion? wide deep loin, round hips, broad stifles, well spread groin, full deep chest, sloping shoulder, short back, long belly, heavy muscle everywhere, stout clean legs, and short below the knee and gambrel, elastic pasterns, arched neck, clean throat, and a step as though he were made of whale-bone and cat-gut? Would that do pretty well? Then Harlequin has it all, and perfect trotting action to boot. He is a blood bay, with four white feet, and a white star in his face, with just enough white hairs in his coat to show the Messenger breeding. He is a horse that must be seen to be appreciated. Old Messenger is said to have been worth over a million dollars to the stock of the United States, and there is no telling of what value these three splendid representatives of the grand old family may be to the stock of Canada if they are properly appreciated and patronized.

ITEMS FROM ST. LOUIS.—Jesse G. Lindell, of this city, has matched his noted little bay stallion, Pilot Temple, against Morrell Higbie's gray mare, Bertie, for \$2,500 a side, mile heats, best 3 in 5, in harness, the match to be trotted over the Canton Driving Park, in Canton, Ill., on the 8th of July next. Pilot Temple is a great favorite among the sporting fraternity of this city; has a record 2:24, and is considered a reliable game trotter. The mare Bertie is of the celebrated Indian Blue Bull stock, and has a record of 2:27, but it is claimed she has shown much better time than her record this spring in private.

coming last and taking it more leisurely. Jack was leading over the first hurdle with Magnet at his girth, and Bennett close up while Frank Ross coming last touched the hurdle as he went over, and by some means managed to get his curb turned in such a way as to seriously embarrass both himself and his rider. In running to the second hurdle Bennett managed to head Magnet and began to press Jack, who still held the lead as they went over it, Frank Ross still in trouble with his curb and falling a long way behind. At the third hurdle, the little chestnut mare was making it very warm for the gallant old bay, while Magnet having fallen back a little was running fast to regain her place. Down the homestretch the three made a very pretty race, Magnet and Bennett having pulled up to Jack's head. As they rose to take the last hurdle, Magnet seemed if anything to have the best of it, but her wild dash for the lead had done its work for her, and she was coming too fast to rise properly, her toe caught the top bar and the next instant she and her rider rolled over in the dust, while Bennett, getting away like a flash, took the lead, and though Jack struggled hard every inch of the way around on the second mile, he could not get to her head. He finished, however, about a length behind her, Frank Ross having got his bit straight at last made a good third, finishing very well considering his mishap, and Magnet having been remounted and sent around was, of course, a very indifferent fourth. Time 4:12. Magnet pulled up quite lame.

HAMILTON DRIVING PARK, June 30th, 1875.—Purse \$200; Hurdle Race, top weight 156 lb, a dash of two miles, over eight hurdles; \$150 to first horse, 50 to the second.

A Smith, ch m Helen Bennett, 4 yrs, by Ul-
verston, dam Ellen Douglass, by O'Meara,
156 lbs..... 1
A H Henry, b g Jack on the Green, aged, by
Jack the Barber, dam Liberty, by imp Mer-
cer, 143 lbs..... 2
Owner, ch g Frank Ross, aged, by Daniel
Boone, dam Sigma, by Epulon, 147 lbs..... 3
J Powell, b g Magnet, 5 yrs, by Jack the Bar-
ber, dam by Lapidist, 140 lbs..... 4
Time, 4:12.

THE 2:40 TROT.

In this class there were five entries: B. Gould's b g Quaker Boy, A. Porteous' b g Little Sam, A. F. Lee's gr m Jessie, Simon James' b g Woodruff, and Geo. Forbes' b g General Grant. Owing to some misunder-
standing between Mr. Lee and the Society, Jessie was not started, and this left the con-
test between the four bay geldings. Little Sam was a very decided favorite in the pools, and in pools where Sam was barred Quaker Boy took his place. In the preliminary warming up Sam, seemed if anything, a trifle too rank for such a hot favorite, but on the other hand, he was evidently drawn fine without having in the smallest degree that stale, tucked-up appearance peculiar to an over-marked horse, so that by the time Pete Curran had sent him up, and down the stretch a few times he was a hotter favorite than ever; Quaker Boy and the General looked pretty well, though perhaps both might have dispensed with a few pounds more without being any too fine; Woodruff seemed to feel well without being particularly rank, and looked to be in condition to trot all day if he was wanted.

1st Heat.—After the average amount of jockeying in the scoring, the horses got away with Grant at the pole, Woodruff in second place, Quaker Boy third, and Sam outside. As the word was given, Pete Curran sent Sam to get the pole for the first turn, but Forbes, behind General Grant, was already in possession of the vantage ground, and didn't seem to think that Peter would look particularly well there, notwithstanding his lavender kids and otherwise elegant get-up, so he carried him well out on the turn, and in trying to trot around the General, Sam got off his feet, and was passed by Quaker Boy before they reached the quarter pole; Grant continued to lead along the back stretch, but Sam having got fairly into his stride again, shot past Quaker and took second place, Woodruff making a tolerable fourth all the way along. Around the upper turn Sam made another dash for the lead, and this time he succeeded capturing Grant, showing in front handsomely as they swung around the three-quarter pole, Grant second, Quaker third, and Woodruff fourth. Down the home stretch Grant made a grand struggle for the lead, Sam was too footy for him, and carried him to a bad break, leaving him to be beaten home by Quaker Boy, who finished three lengths behind the winner, Grant third, and Woodruff fourth. Time, 2:41.

and fine neck. His style of going is decidedly good, and he is altogether a very promising horse. In color he is between a dun and a bay.

SAME DAY. Purse of \$400, for horses that have never beaten 2:40; mile heats, 3 in 5, in harness; \$250 to first, \$100 to second, and \$50 to third.

A Porteous, b g Little Sam..... 1 1 1
Simon James, b g Woodruff..... 4 2 2
B Gould, b g Quaker Boy..... 3 4 3
George Forbes, b g General Grant..... 3 8 4
A F Lee, g m Jessie..... dr
Time—2:41, 2:41, 2:40.

DOMINION RACE FOR MAIDENS.

In this race there were four entries all of which started. J. Duggan's ch. f. Lady Extra, 4 years; O. E. Ray's ch. f. Sunbeam, 4 years; Paul Wood's ch. g. Prince Edward, 4 years; and James Morgan's b. g. Reformer, 4 years. In the pools Prince Edward was a strong favorite against the field.

1st Heat.—Prince Edward shot to the front and held the lead all the way around, Lady Extra driving him to the half-mile pole, and giving place to Reformer who ran second to the finish, Sunbeam third, and Lady Extra last. Time 1:51.

2nd Heat.—In this heat Reformer chased the Nova Scotian all the way around to the head of the homestretch, when Sunbeam rushed into his place from the third position, and making a very sharp spurt on the home-stretch beat the chestnut gelding home by a head in 1:52, Lady Extra third and Reformer last.

3rd Heat.—A new rider was now put upon Prince Edward, and as they went away, Sunbeam kept to the front with the Nova Scotian at her quarters all the way around to the half-mile pole, Reformer making a good third and Lady Extra fourth. Around the upper turn, Prince Edward pushed his nose up to the mare's girth, and as they swung around the three-quarter pole it was anybody's heat, Sunbeam has if anything a trifle the best of it as they pass the distance flag, and whip and spur are plied vigorously as the chestnut gelding reaches out for one final effort; now they are head and head, and now the gelding has half a neck the best of it. Both horses and jockeys struggle to the last, but Prince Edward shoots under the string a winner by his neck and shoulder, Lady Extra a fair third, and Reformer fourth. Time, 1:51.

Purse \$200, for Dominion bred horses that never won money, mile heats, \$150 to first, 50 to second.

Paul Wood names ch g Prince Edward, 5 years old, by Jack Lane, dam by Mountaineer..... 1 2 1
C E Bay names ch f Sunbeam, 4 years old, by Jack the Barber, dam by Pilot..... 3 1 2
James Morgan names ch g Reformer, 4 years old, by Luther, dam Annie Laurie, by imp Lapidist..... 2 4 4
J Duggan names ch f Lady Extra, 4 years old, by Extra, dam by Kennett..... 4 3 3
Time—1:51, 1:52, 1:51.

TROTTING RACE FOR COUNTY HORSES.

In this race there were eight entries: Wheeler's b g Thorn, McCully's b m Minnie Mac, F. A. Ashbaugh's b g Pilot, Robertson's b g Josh, Wilson's ch m Tempest, Nowlan's g m Lady Hamilton, R. L. Ashbaugh's d m Maggie, and Simon James' gr g Snowstorm. Josh was a strong favorite, selling even against the field.

1st heat.—After the usual delay in scoring incident to the starting of a large field of horses, a tolerable send off was effected with Minnie Mac at the pole, Lady Hamilton second, Thorn third, Pilot fourth, Tempest fifth, Snow Storm sixth, and Josh outside, Maggie having been drawn previous to the start. Snow Storm went to the front on the first turn and was well out of the crowd by the time they had reached the 1/4 pole, the others struggling along in the dust and so close together that it was difficult to distinguish one from another. Snow Storm had it all his own way, however, and there can be no doubt that in point of fact he distanced nearly all those who did not run to get inside the flag. Minnie Mac was second, Thorn third, and Pilot fourth, the favorite, Josh, being about the last to put in an appearance. Time, 2:48.

2nd heat.—The judges finally decided to let all the horses start again, and again a long time was occupied in tedious scoring. Snow Storm broke immediately after getting the word, and Pilot was first at the 1/4 with Josh second and the rest of them in a bunch. On the back stretch Pilot got off his feet and Josh was first at the 1/2 with Minnie Mac and Pilot close behind him and the others not far off. At the 3/4 pole Josh still had the lead and Pilot was pressing him hard, while Minnie

Mac, and Josh had a little the best of it as they passed that point. Down the home stretch a head and head struggle took place, both horses responding gamely to the calls of the drivers, who wisely preferred to rally them with the bit rather than trust to the whip in a pinch where six inches would win for either, and where a break would be sure to lose the heat. Fifty yards from the score they are still closely locked, and head and head they pass under the string, making a dead heat, in 2:45. Pilot coming third, Josh fourth, Thorn fifth, and Minnie Mac last. By this time it was too dark to start the horses for another heat, so the sport for the day was ended, leaving the result of the race still in doubt.

SECOND DAY.

HAMILTON July 1st, 1875.

To-day, as might have been expected, there was an immense crowd at the race course, the streets leading from the city to the track being literally crammed with vehicles, from one o'clock until long after the horses were called up for

THE UNFINISHED RACE.

5th Heat.—Snowstorm went straight to the front, and trotted the heat without a skip in 2:48, four of the others barely saving their distances, and Minnie Mac not succeeding in doing that, Josh and Thorn were now sent to their stables for not winning a heat in five, and Snowstorm, Pilot and Tempest, started for the

6th Heat.—Tempest and Snowstorm both broke on the first turn, and Pilot shot ahead and into the pole like a flash. Pilot led along the back stretch, and for a while Snowstorm trotted very rapidly in his wake, but at the half-mile pole the latter broke again badly, and threw away his last chance of the race. Pilot came home in grand style in 2:42, Tempest second, and Snowstorm last.

HAMILTON DRIVING PARK, June 30th & July 1st, 1875.—Purse \$200, Open to all horses owned in the County of Wentworth and City of Hamilton on first of April last, that have never beaten 2:50. \$125 to first, 50 to second, 25 to third.

F A Ashbaugh names br g Pilot..... 4 1 1 3 3 1
Simon James names gr g Snowstorm 1 3 4 0 1 3
Robt Wilson names ch m Tempest. 6 4 2 0 2 2
W F Robertson names br g Josh.. 8 2 3 4 4 0
G Wheeler names br g Thorn..... 8 5 5 5 5 0
B McCully names b m Minnie Mac. 2 6 6 6 6 dis
O Nowlan names g m Lady Hamilton..... 5 dis
R L Ashbaugh names d m Maggie. dr
Time—2:43, 2:50, 2:47, 2:45, 2:43, 2:42.

Pilot, the winner of this race, is a gamey stylish looking horse, and for a green horse an extremely handy one. He had only been in training about a week before the race. He is said to be coming very fast; his sire was the famous Mambrino Pilot.

THE OPEN TO ALL RUNNING RACE

was the next race called. This was a race at mile heats in which there were six entries but only three horses started. These were John Forbes' ch c Vicksburg, 8 yrs old, John Mitchell's b g Judge Pryor, 4 yrs old, and A Smith's ch m Helen Bennett, 4 yrs old. Vicksburg was a hot favorite against the field, though Judge Pryor was extremely well thought of by a good many.

1st heat.—Helen Bennett shot away at the dropping of the flag and made the pace to the 1/4 pole with Vicksburg close after her and Judge Pryor a good third. On the back stretch the chestnut stallion ran to the front and led handily at the 1/2 and from there home he had it all his own way, coming home under a strong pull an open length ahead of the mare, and winning in 1:48. Judge Pryor was about two open lengths behind the mare.

2nd heat.—Helen Bennett and Vicksburg were side by side around the first turn to the 1/4 pole with the Judge close up. Along the back stretch they kept well together, but as they neared the 1/2 mile pole the long powerful strides of the chestnut stallion carried him to the front and he was not headed again in the race, Willie Taylor riding him with excellent judgment and pulling him to win, with his tail at Helen Bennett's nose, in 1:51. Judge Pryor three or four lengths behind the mare.

HAMILTON DRIVING PARK, July 1st.—Purse \$300, open to all horses; mile heats, T. C. W. \$250 to first, 50 to second.

John Forbes names ch c Vicksburg, 8 years old, by Valaid, dam by Commodore, by Boston.....
A Smith names ch m Helen Bennett, 4 years old, by Ulverston, dam Ellen Douglass, by O'Meara, by Glenice.....
John Mitchell names b g Judge Pryor, 4 years old, by Valaid, dam by Commodore, by Boston.....