

Canadian Turf.

PACING ON ICE AT CHATHAM.

CHATHAM, Jan. 5th, 1877.—Pacing Match. \$100. Mile heats, 2 in 3, in harness.

W. Scott, b g Little Johnny 1 1
Frank Taylor, b g Goble's Pet 2 2
No time.

NAMES CLAIMED.

KENTUCKIAN—I claim the name of Kentuckian for my chestnut stallion colt, bred by Jos. Patterson of Kentucky, foaled 1873, by Balsora, he by Alexander's Abdullah, dam Nonesuch, by Mambrino Prince. Also.

FINESSE—I claim the name of Finesse for my black filly, foaled in 1874, by George Wilkes, dam by Idol, he by Mambrino Chief.—M. P. Bush, Buffalo N.Y., Dec. 30, 1876.

PRINCE ARTHUR—I claim the name of Prince Arthur for my grey colt foaled April 28th, 1876, by Mr. J. P. Wiser's Rysdyk, he by Rysdyk's Hambltonian; dam the inbred grey Eagle mare Donnybrook, her sire and dam by Keezer's Grey Eagle—J. S. HUNTINGTON, Prescott, Ont.

FROM OTTAWA.

OTTAWA, Jan. 7, 1876.

To the Editor of the Sporting Times:

DEAR SIR,—Capt Webb, the colt that trotted his first race at your fall meeting and coming back "all off" having to be let up on, is himself again, but his owner, Mr. Kennedy, says he will not start him on ice this winter, but intends to rest him until spring.

Mr. Baxter Cutler of this city, is driving a very nice chestnut gelding, by the sire of Deceit, and it is reported he is quite as handy as the little horse, Deceit.

Nothing new relating to the trotting meeting, and I am afraid we will not have one this winter except it is a local affair.

Yours, etc.,
OTTAWA.

Athletic.

SPARRING AT MONTREAL.

MILLER VS. LABOISSIERE.

A sparring match for \$200, between Prof. Miller the champion Græco-Roman wrestler (who recently appeared at the Royal Opera House here in a wrestling bout with Mons. Bauer), and Mr. Joseph Laboissiere of Montreal, took place at the Theatre Royal, Montreal, on the 4th inst. The rounds were of three minutes duration, with two minutes rest. Mr. Richardson, who trained Laboissiere, acted as his second, and Mr. Woods did the same service for Miller. Mr. Drenahan was chosen referee and timer, and Mr. Brown umpire. Between two to three hundred persons were present. Seven rounds were fought in 35 minutes, when Laboissiere gave in, and Miller was declared the winner.

A TOUGH WRESTLING MATCH IN NEW ORLEANS.

The New Orleans Times says the Græco-Roman wrestling match between Christol and Rigal, at the St. Charles Theater, turned out to be a short and sharply contested struggle, with the honors at the close resting with Rigal, who gained the last two falls in clever style. In the first round, Christol being on his hands and knees, with Rigal stoutly clasping him, managed to get his hand firmly locked across the back of Rigal's neck, and by a very skillful and powerful effort, he threw him, by turning him completely over, having no other hold save that upon the neck. In the next two rounds, however, Rigal avoided a similar contingency and by sheer strength, in each instance, lifted his opponent bodily, and floored him. In the last fall, Christol first landed upon his head, and upon arising after the fall, was observed to act as if he had been injured. A surgical examination revealed that his collarbone was broken, and with that serious injury he is now laid up, and likely to remain so for some time.

Pedestrianism.

WESTON MATCHED FOR ONE THOUSAND POUNDS.

Locking.

A MAIN BETWEEN OTTAWA AND BROCKVILLE.

BROCKVILLE WINS.

This main came off on the 4th inst., a short distance from Ottawa. It was originally intended that each party should show twelve birds and eight seven, but owing to some difficulty in getting the required number of birds, it was finally decided to make the main one of five fights. Each battle was for \$60 and \$200 for the odd fight. About ten o'clock a party of 60 or 70 procured conveyances and crossed the ice to a quiet resort, and made preparations to commence the sport. The first battle brought to the fore a black red for Ottawa and a duck wing for Brockville, which was won by the latter's bird after a short but sharp contest. An interval of twenty minutes was here taken, so that the sports could "pay their money and take their choice" on the coming contestants. Time was called and two black reds, in good condition, were brought into the pit to toe the mark. This battle turned in favor of Ottawa which gave the boys a little nerve. The third battle brought out two black reds, and resulted in favor of the Brockville bird. For the fourth battle two more black reds were brought out. This match was also won by Brockville. Brockville had, as will be seen, won three battles out of four winning the main. However, the birds were nitted for the fifth fight. The Ottawa party had high hopes of their representative in this contest, a fine pyle, a strong bird and a very rapid fighter. Brockville pitted against him an Irish imported cock, which proved to be the pyle's superior in twelve seconds from the first fly. Everything passed off pleasantly.

Aquatic.

ED. HANLON CHALLENGES SCHARFF.

SIR,—Having waited a reasonable time for a reply to my answer to John Higgins' challenge, and not having heard from him I have concluded to try the American oarsmen, and with that intent have sent a challenge to William Scharff, of Pittsburg, Pa., who claims to be the five-mile champion of this continent.

I will row him five miles on Toronto bay for from \$500 to \$2,000 a side, allowing him a fair amount for expenses; the race to take place in the first two weeks of June.

Trusting that Mr. Scharff will—unlike the so-called English champion—condescend to reply, and that he will accept my offer,

I am,

Yours obediently,

EDWARD HANLAN.

Toronto, Jan. 8, 1877.

THE TROTTERS UNDER BAN.

Some interesting statistics might be compiled from the list of trotters and pacers under suspension or expulsion by order of the several associations. The bulk of these, of course, are suffering the penalty of no greater crime than the non-payment of entrance-money, and a glance at the amount of such debts now due, in the report of the proceedings of the Board of Appeals of the National Trotting Association at Rochester, will show that it is as great for 1876 as it was for 1875. This indicates that the small fry and ringers are feeling the effect of the hard times, as the suspension lists are recruited from their ranks with but a few exceptions. The faster horses come under ban comparatively seldom for non-payment of entrance-money, owners, of course, protecting their property more carefully as it becomes more valuable. Out of seven hundred horses that have trotted in 2:30 or better, only a little over fifty are on the suspension list. The number cannot be definitely given without more research than we are inclined to bestow upon the subject at present, for the reason that the adoption of the same name for different horses leads to so much confusion in the records. The amount of dues now outstanding for all members of the National Association is \$112,301.95, which is a large sum to regard in the gross, and the bulk of which will never be collected; yet it is a mere trifle compared with the volume of premiums given, and the vast number of horses engaged in trotting.

The Trigger.

SHOOTING AT BURLINGTON BEACH.

A pigeon shooting match took place on the 2nd inst., at D. Fitch's Hotel, at the Beach. The following scores were made:—

P Bates	1 1 1 1 1—5
T Armstrong	1 1 0 0 1—3
D Fitch	1 1 1 1 1—5
G Cline	1 1 1 0 1—4
J Jones	0 1 1 1 1—4
—Hazell	1 1 1 0 1—4
H Addison	1 1 0 0 1—3

TIES AT TWENTY-SIX YARDS.

1st Prize.....	Fitch.....	1 0 1 0 1
2nd "	Bates.....	1 0 1 0 0
3rd "	Jones	1 1
	Hazell	1 0

A TWO-HANDED SHOOT AT WOODSTOCK.

At Woodstock, on the 3rd inst., Mr. John Forbes and Mr. John Pascoe shot a match at nine birds each, usual conditions, against Mr. G. Harwood and Mr. J. Thacker, for a stake of \$10. Forbes & Co., it will be seen, by the annexed score, won, the Woodstock horseman doing some good shooting.

SUMMARY.

John Forbes.....	10111111—8
John Pascoe	011100100—4
	12
Geo. Harwood	10100111—6
J. Thacker.....	111001000—4
	10

A MATCH AND SWEEPSTAKE AT CHATHAM.

A pigeon match was shot off in Chatham on Christmas Day, Mr. G. K. Atkinson killing 5 out of 7, and winning, against Mr. James Baxter, who retired with 2 out of 7. Subsequently Messrs. Atkinson, Pike, Nelson, Wheeler and Wells, shot for a sweepstake, 10 birds each, 21 yards rise. The scores respectively were 5, 8, 6, 6, 6. In shooting, off ties at 26 yards Wheeler was first and Wells second.

GOOD SHOOTING AT ST. CATHERINES.

A sweepstake of \$10 each at ten birds each took place at St. Catharines, on the 5th inst. with the following result.

SUMMARY.

J. Woodruff	1111111101—9
Geo. Rodgers.....	1111010111—8
S. Hodgkinson	1111100101—7
Abu Rogers.....	1110001110—6

A sweepstake took place afterwards between seven gentlemen at five birds for \$5 each. Mr. Geo. Rogers took first money, killing five straight; Mr. Woodruff capturing the second money with a score of four.

There is some talk of a match between three Americans from Sus. Bridge and an equal number of Saints. The only difficulty is a dispute about the traps, the Americans wanting to shoot from a plunge trap and our fellows from a ground one. The Saints are ready to shoot them for any reasonable amount out of a ground trap.

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IN THE COUNTRY.—A pigeon match took place at Mr. John Menzies, North Easthope, lately, at which Mr. A. Menzie shot 5, and Mr. Geo. Dunlop, 4.

OTTAWA TALENT IN NEW YORK.

We are pleased to learn that four boys who graduated as gymnasts from Ottawa, are doing well in New York. Wingfield and Gregory are under engagement at the Third Avenue Theatre, where they do a double dancing barrel act amongst other things of unusual merit; while A. S. Phillion is playing as a juggler and slack wire performer at the Brooklyn Theatre, and his acts are astonishing. Frank Clifton is in partnership with Wm. Forepaugh at the Olympic Theatre. They opened Monday week, and will run four weeks, after which they go to put in a season at Boston. Frank is immense, turning a double somersault from bar to bar. Their numerous friends will be glad to hear that they (the gymnasts) are doing so well, and continuing to keep themselves up in the estimation of the amusement loving public. It is their intention to make a visit "home" about the latter part of February, and on their return "the boys" will give one grand entertainment at the Opera House.

Lord and Lady Dufferin will visit Mrs. Morrison's Grand Opera House on Tuesday evening.

Tom Hurst, the great comic singer of Montreal, has left that city and in future will make Toronto his home, where he assumes the management of the London Publishing House of Messrs. Ashdown & Perry. On leaving Montreal he was escorted to the train by a military band.

GENERAL.

MONTREAL.—The Academy of Music closed on Monday evening with a benefit to Little S. Lina Rough, when Uncle Tom's Cabin was produced. The house will be closed to enable the directors to have made an additional stair from the gallery, during which time the company will go to Ottawa. On their return Oliver Doud Byron will be the star. The succeeding week Miss Reeves will take her benefit, preparatory to her retirement from the stage, and marriage to Mr. McDowell. After the marriage the manager and his fair and esteemed bride will make a trip to Boston, where all the latest novelties in the "Hub," will be picked up for future use.

HAMILTON.—The Lilliputian Comic Opera Company under the management of Mr. Harry Dakin, will be at McNamee's Hall on Monday and Tuesday evening, presenting Jack the Giant Killer; the company consists of Col. Ruth Goshen, whose weight is 600 lbs. and his height 7 ft. 2 in.; Commodore Nutt, Maj. Nutt, Maj. Houghton, Miss Jennie Quigley, Miss Ella Kirtland, Miss Sarah Bellou, Mr. and Mrs. Florence and Mr. S. J. Martin. Miss Lillie Lonsdale, reported to have been burned to death in a Newark, N. J., Opera House, is residing in Hamilton. Mr. Sage Richardson leaves Hamilton to fill an engagement in Syracuse on the 15th inst.

OTTAWA.—Mr. McDowell's Shraughraun Company opened at Gowan's Opera House, on Tuesday, with Eileen Oge, to remain the balance of the week. Frou-Frou will be produced during their engagement.

LONDON.—Jack the Giant Killer, by Dr. Kin's Comic Opera Company, at the Opera House, on Friday and Saturday evenings. The Holman Opera Company left London on Monday afternoon for St. Thomas, where they open for one night. They also propose paying Aymer a visit. Miss Sallie Holman while skating on Saturday evening, had the misfortune to sprain her ankle.

GUELPH.—This evening a gymnastic exhibition by the members of the Gymnastic Club. Mr. W. Irving Bishop spiritual exposition, on the 25th inst., at the Town Hall.

INGERSOLL.—The Philadelphia Calceopticon Co. with their Centennial exhibition on the 8th. Our correspondent speaks well of it.

Collingwood has a dramatic club.

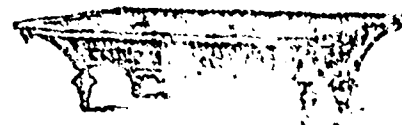
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MOHAWK, br h, foaled 1867, 15.1, by Norton, he by Lexington, dam R. Lee's T. Prince by the Colonel, he by imported Prince. The most perfect formed horse in Canada.

MARES.

HELEN BENNETT, ch m, 5 years, 15.3, by Lexington, dam Helen Douglass. Would make an excellent brood-mare.

PASSION, b m, 6 years, 16.1, by Red Eye, he by Boston; dam Sympathy, by imported Soythian. This mare is sound, and is fast on the flat, clever over hurdles, and up to any reasonable weight. From her size and breeding would be valuable as a brood mare.

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