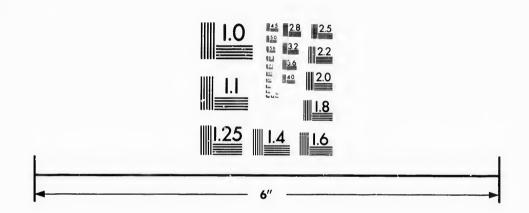


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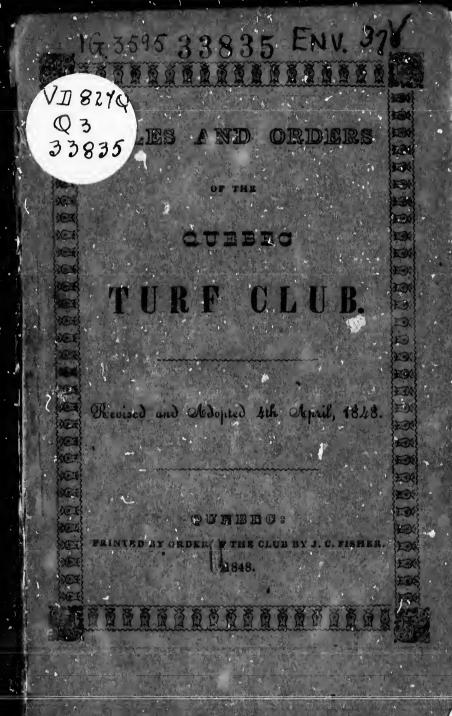
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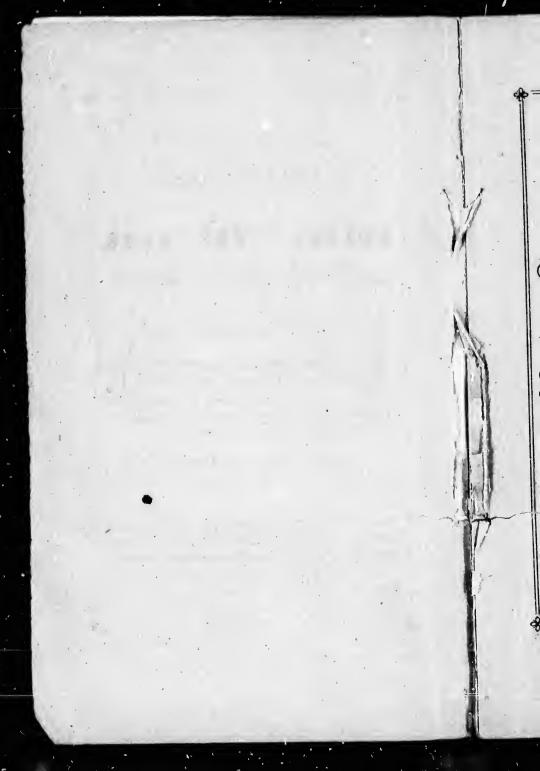
# QUEBEC TURF CLUB.

QUEBEC, 4th April, 1848.

AT a General Meeting of the Members of the QUEBEC TURF CLUB, the following Rules were approved of and established as the Rules and Orders of the QUEBEC TURF CLUB, subject to such alterations as may be made from time to time.

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## RULES AND ORDERS

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# QUEBEC TURF CLUB.

RULE-I.—The Officers of the QUEBEC TURF CLUB shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and at least Seven Stewards, the majority present at any Meeting to form a Quorum for business.

II.—An Annual Election of Officers shall take place by Ballot, on the First Tuesday in April, in each year.

between the periods of the Meeting, or be prevented by sickness, or other causes, from attending to the duties, the remaining or continuing Stewards may appoint a Member of the Club to succeed or act in place of the absent Steward.

IV.—The Ballot for Members of the Tarf Club shall take place on the First Thesday in each month, during the present year, at such time and place as the Stewards shall appoint; each Candidate must be proposed by a Member, seven Members at least shall ballot, and two balls shall exclude. If fourteen Members ballot, four shall exclude. Officers of the Army or the Navy and Commissariat are not to be balloted for, but admitted Members on sending their names and subscriptions, to the Treasurer.

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V—All money belonging to the Club shall be placed in the hands of the Treasurer, by whom, under orders from a majority of the Stewards, all demands against the Club shall be paid.

VI.—The Annual Subscription shall be Five Dollars, due on the First of April, or at the time of Election if it takes place before the Annual Races.

VII.—The Subscription for the Enwards, or Committee for the year, shall be Five Dollars.

VIII.—Five Members shall constitute a Querum for the transaction of the ordinary business of the Club. But no alteration shall be made in any of the established rules and orders of the

Club, except at an Annual Meeting, or at a Special Meeting convened by public notice; such intended alteration having been previously handed in writing to the Secretary, and published for at least one month previous to such Annual or Special Meeting: at which not less than fifteen Members shall be present, three, at least, of whom shall be Stewards,

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1X.—All disputes relative to Racing shall be determined by the Stewards, whose decision shall be final, and from such decision there can be no appeal to any authority whatever; the may, if they think fit, call in any Mer he Club to their assistance, if the imadifficulty of the matter in dispute shall require it. All Nominations and Entranto be made in writing according to the prescribed form,

X.—A Meeting of the Club may, at any time, be called by the President, Vice President or Stewards, at the instance of any three Members; the notice of the said Meeting to be given through the Secretary.

X1. Any Member of the Club may be permitted to withdraw by giving notice to that effect, in

writing, to the Secretary, on or before the Annual Election of Officers, and by paying his arrears.

XII.—Four Members of the Club shall be chosen for the purpose of collecting subscriptions in support of the Races; lists are also to be placed in the Quebec Exchange Building, Quebec Library Association and Garrison Library. The collection to be completed by the 20th of July, and the money placed in the hands of the Treasurer.

MIII.—The Club Stand shall be free for all Members, and shall be reserved for their exclusive use. No Member shall be admitted into the Club Stand, unless he produces his Member's Ticket; and no Member shall be entitled to receive such Ticket who shall not have paid his subscription to the Treasurer. No person is to be admitted within the rails on horseback except the Officers of the Club.

XIV.—It will remain optional with the Stewards to announce the time of the Race Meeting; the time to be named before the 1st of May.

XV.—The Stewards shall have the entire management and conducting of the Races. They

shall appropriate the funds for making up the other purses to complete the days of racing in amount, conditions and order of running, as they may think most proper. They shall have the right to postpone the Races, in case of unfavorable weather; and the power to appoint a Clerk of the Course; and shall, through the Secretary, give timely notice to the public of their arrangements with regard to the Races.

XVI.—It shall be the duty of the Clerk of the Course to attend the Races, and see the orders of the Stewards carried into effect, to engage police, men for the scales, gates, distance police, and to see every necessary arrangement made to ensure order, and to prevent accidents.

XVII.—Half an hour is to be allowed between each heat. The first bell, viz: for saddling, will ring a quarter of an hour, and the second bell, five minutes before the time appointed for starting; the owner of any horse not at the post ready to start five minutes after the time that has been named, shall be fined two dollars; if not at the post ten minutes after the proper time, those at the post shall start; however, in case of accident, the Stewards will use their own, discretion in delaying the start.

XVIII.—All persons entering a horse shall pay one dollar, and the winner of any Race two dollars to the Course.

XIX.—The Colors of the Riders are to be declared at the time for entering the horses. The owner of any horse ridden in colors different from those declared on entrance, to be fined two dollars.

XX.-No public money to be ever given for a walk over.

XXI.—The Secretary will regulate his watch by gun-fire at 12 o'clock on each day of the Races—and will have to pay one dollar to the Course for every minute he is behind time in ringing the Bell.

XXII.—The time for starting each Race will be put up outside the Stewards' Stand, immediately after each heat.

XXIII.—The Starter, if necessary, will take the horses fifty yards behind the Starting Pozz, and will oblige all the Jockeys to walk their horses slowly up. No Groom will be allowed to hold a horse's head except with the consent of the Starter. Any Jockey putting his horse into a

trot or canter, or not obeying the command of the Starter, or endeavoring to take any unfair advantage, will be fined five dollars, and no evidence will be listened to except that of the Starter.

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Valv.—The Starter and one of the Stewards, who shall be placed 100 yards in advance of the Starting Post, shall each have a Red Flag. If the start is foul, both flags remain up, if it is fair, both flags are put down. The Judge will lower, or keep up his flag, according to the actions of the Starter.

XXV.—Each horse is to be numbered on the printed lists, and the number of the winner of a heat will be exhibited outside of the Stewards' Stand immediately after each heat.

XXVI—No person shall start a horse for any purse, plate or sweepstakes, at any regular meeting, being a defaulter for stakes, forfeits or bets; and unless he be a subscriber to the Races to the amount of five dollars.

XXVII.—When the qualification of any horse is objected to, the owner must produce a certificate or other document to the Stewards, before the race is run, to prove the qualification of his

horse; and if he shall start his horse without so doing, the prize shall be withheld for a period to be fixed upon by the Stewards: on the expiration of which time, if the qualification of the horse be not proved to the satisfaction of the Stewards, he shall not be entitled to the prize, although his horse shall have come in first, but it shall be given to the owner of the second qualified horse

XXVIII.—No person shall start more than one horse, of which he is the owner, either wholly or in part, either in his own name or in that of any other person, for any race for which heats are run. Should any one who has entered a horse declare to any of the Stewards that his horse is drawn, that horse shall not be permitted to start for that race.

XXIX.—When it is a condition of any Purse or Sweepstakes, that the winning horse shall be claimed for a given sum, the owner of the second horse shall be first entitled, and after him the owner of every other horse in the Race, as they were placed: if none of those claim the winner, any Member of the Club shall have a right to do so. The horse must be claimed within a quarter of an hour after the Race is won—shall not be

delivered until paid for, and must be paid for on the day of the Race, otherwise the party claiming shall not be entitled to demand the horse at any future period.

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XXX.—Horses shall take their ages from the 1st of January.

XXXI.—The following are the weights established by this Club:—

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XXXII.—The distance, in running four miles, is 240 yards, in three miles, 180, in two miles, 120, and in one mile, 60 yards.

XXXIII.—If in running any race, one horse shail cross and jostle another, or if any rider shall strike or use any other foul play, or shall take the track before he is a clear length in front of the horse whose track he crosses, he shall be deemed distanced, and the next best horse declared the winner; or, if in running, a rider shall leave sufficient space for another to run up and lap him on the inside, if such rider having the outside, shall rein his horse inwards against his competitor, for the purpose of throwing him out of the course, or running him against the poles, such rider shall be deemed distanced: it being absolutely necessary, as well for the safety of the jockeys themselves as for the satisfaction of the public, that foul riding should be punished with the severest penalty; a. I if such cross or jostle shall be proved to have happened intentionally, such Jockey shall not again be permitted to ride at any Meeting where this Club has jurisdiction.

XXXIV.—All matches to take place on any day of any regular meeting, must come under

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the cognizance of the Club, and must be entered in the Match Book the day previous to the Races.

XXXV.—Any horse may be entered at the post, by his owner paying double entrance.

XXXVI.—When a match is made in which crossing and jostling are not mentioned, they are understood to be barred.

XXXVII.—If any horse shall carry more than three pounds over his stipulated weight, without the same being declared to the Stewards, he shall be deemed distanced.

XXXVIII.—No combination or partnership in running will be permitted. If, therefore, any horse shall win a purse, and it shall be proved before the purse is paid, that a combination or partnership did exist, the purse shall be given to the fair winner, and the parties shall never be permitted to ride, or enter a horse wherever this Club has jurisdiction.

XXXIX.—If, in a race of one heat, the first two horses shall come in so near together, that the Judge cannot decide which is first, those two horses only shall run for such prize over again, half an hour after the last race on that day, to determine which shall be the winner.

XL.—In running heats, if it cannot be determined which horse is first, the heat goes for nothing, and they may all start again; except the dead heat be between two horses, the winning of which by either of them would have terminated the race, in which case those two only shall start again, to decide who shall be the winner.

XLI.—Where a purse or subscription is given. for the winner of the best of three heats, a horse, to win the prize, must be the actual winner of two heats, unless he distance all the others the first heat; in which case he shall not be obliged to start again.

XLII.—When three several horses have each won a heat, those three only can start for a fourth, and the preference among them will be determined by it, there being before no difference between them.

XLIII .- All complaints of foul riding must

be made before, or at time, the Jockey complaining is weighed.

XLIV.—When the riders of any horses brought out to run for any race, are called upon by the person appointed to start them, to take their places for that purpose, the owner of every horse which comes up to the post, shall be considered as liable to pay his whole stake or entrance; and all bets respecting such horses shall be considered as play or pay debts.

XLV.—If a bet be made from signal or indication after a race has been determined, such bet shall be considered as fraudulent and void, and shall not be paid.

XLVI.—No person who has once subscribed to a stake shall be allowed to withdraw his name, and no nomination shall be altered in any respect after the time of closing, without the consent of all the parties in the race being first obtained.

XLVII.—All stakes and bets, whether expressed in guineas or pounds, shall be paid in pounds currency.

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XLVIII.—If a match is made for any specified day in any meeting, and the parties agree to change the day, all bets must stand; but if the parties agree to run the race in any other meeting, all bets made before the alteration shall be void.

XLIX.—Any training groom or jockey who shall gallop his horse or horses past, or lap any horse in training, who may have first started in his exercising gallops, without the consent of the owner of such horse who may have first started, shall, if the Stewards think fit, be excluded the course, and shall not be permitted to ride at any regular meeting of this Club.

L.—A horse walking over, or receiving forfeit, shall not be deemed a winner. is

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LI.—The horse that has his head at the ending post first, wins the heat, barring foul riding.

LII.—For the best of the plate, where three heats are run, the horse is second that wins one heat, unless afterwards distanced.

LIII.—For the best of heats, the horse is second that beats the other twice out of three times, though he do not win a heat.

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LIV.—When a plate is won by two heats, the preference of the horses is determined by the places they get in the second heat.

LV.—If a rider fall from his horse, and the horse be rode in by a person who is sufficient weight, he shall take his place the same as if his rider had not fallen, provided he goes back to the place where the rider fell.

LVI.—Jockeys must ride their horses to the usual place of weighing, and he that dismounts before permission of a Steward, or wants weight, is deemed distanced; unless he is disabled by an accident, which should render him in capable of riding back, in which case he may be led or carried to the scales.

LVII.—Horses' plates or shoes not allowed in the weight.

LVIII.—Horses running on the wrong side of a post and not turning back, are distanced.

LVIX.—Horses drawn before a plate is won are deemed distanced.

LX.-No distance in a fourth heat.

LXI.—A confirmed bet cannot be off but by mutual consent.

LXII.—Either of the betters may demand stakes to be made, and on refusal declare the bet to be void.

LXIII.—If a better be absent on the day of running, a public declaration of the bet may be made on the course, and a demand whether any person will make stakes for the absent party; and if no person consent to do so, the bet may be declared void.

LXIV.—Bets agreed to be paid or received in town, or any other specified place, cannot be declared off on the course.

LXV.—The person who lays the odds, has a right to choose a horse or the field; when a person has chosen a horse, the field is what stands against him, but there is no field without one horse starts against him.

LXVI.—If odds are laid without mentioning the horse before the race is over, the bet must be determined by the state of the odds at the time of making it.

LXVII -Bets made in running are not deter-

mined until the plate is won, if that heat be not mentioned at the time of betting.

LXVIII.—A bet made after the hea is over, if the horse betted on does not start, is void.

LXIX.—Bets are determined, though the horse does not start, where the words play or pay are made use of in betting.

LXX.—Money given to have a bet laid shall not be returned, though the race be not run.

LXXI.—Matches and bets are void on the decease of either party before they are determined.

LXXII.—All riders must be dressed in proper jockey style, (boots and breeches,) otherwise fined two dollars.

LXXIII.—All double bets shall be considered as play or pay bets.

LXXIV.—All bets between particular horses shall be void, if neither of them happens to be the winner, unless agreed by the parties to the contrary.

LXXV.—In order that the Race Course and the Turf may at all times be kept in a proper

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state for racing, (in which all concerned should be equally interested,) it is expected that every person training horses on the course, will conform to such rules as it may be found necessary to adopt for its preservation: all horses must take their walking and galloping exercise on the training track.

LXXVI.—All matters relative to Racing will be adjudged according to these rules, when any of them are applicable, and when not, according to the established laws of Racing.

### REPLANATION

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#### TERMS USED RELATIVE TO HORSE-RACING.

Four inches are a hand.

Fourteen pounds are a stone.

Catch Weights are, each party to appoint a person to ride without weighing.

Feather Weights.—A horse carries Feather Weight, when the terms of the race allow the owner to place what rider he pleases on his back; he consequently procures the lightest eligible jockey possible, who weighs neither before nor after the race.

A Maiden Horse or Mare is one that has never won.

An Untried Stallion or Mare is one whose produce has never run in public.

A Post Match is to insert the age of the horses in the article, and to run any horse of that age, without declaring what horse, until he comes to the post to start.

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will any ding A Handicap Match is, A, B and C, to put an equal sum each into a hat; C, who is the handicapper, makes a match for A and B, who, when they have perused it, put their hands into their pockets and draw them out closed, then they open them together, and if both have money in their hands, the match is confirmed. In both cases, the handicapper draws all the money out of the hat; but if one has money in his hand and the other none, then it is no match, and he that has money in his hand is entitled to the deposit in the hat.

Free Handicap is an expression which frequently appears in Race Lists, the meaning of which is that, a number of horses being named, a weight is placed against the name of each by the Stewards, or some disinterested person who is well acquainted with the performances of the horses. These weights are supposed to be such as will bring all the horses as nearly on a par as possible, and the list containing them being handed to the owners of each horse, they accept or decline according as they imagine the chances are for or against them.

Give and Take Plates are weights for inches,

twelve hands to carry a stated weight, all above to carry extra, in the proportion of seven pounds to an inch.

## FORM OF ENTRANCE FOR PURSE.

To the Secretary of the

Quebec Turf Club.

I hereby enter for the Plate or Purse, my bay horse out of years old. I herewith enclose the sum of as the entrance or forfeit for the same. My colours are

I bind myself to observe the Rules and Regulations of the Club, and to abide by the Stewards' decision in all cases, without appeal to any authority whatever.

(Signed,)

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