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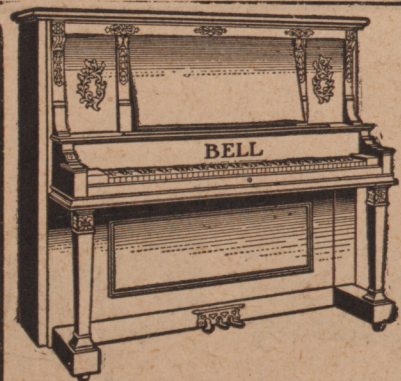
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The Maritime Curtain Raiser Races were a Grand Success

Fine Weather and Perfect Track Helped Make the Two Days Racing a Fine Attraction--Big Attendance Yesterday--King Arion Makes a New Provincial Record for Trotting Stallions--Thomas J. Reduces His Record From 2.22 3-4 to 2.16 3-4--Mary Cromwell Disappoints Sports.

Fine weather and an excellent track made the opening races of the Maritime Circuit a grand success here on Thursday. A crowd of about 400 people witnessed the sport. The races were pulled off without a hitch and there were no long waits. The two features were the 2.21 pace and 2.18 trot and the second day's 2.30 pace. Four heats saw the finish of the first race. Thomas J., 2.22, driven by G. W. Gerow, won first money, with the remarkably fast time in the last heat of 2.16. Second money went to the Mitchell and Adams horse, Alice A., driven by Clair Wolverson. Two of Frank Boutiller's horses captured third and fourth money. Orphan Girl with Peter Carroll on the seat got third place and Tattam, pulling Mr. Boutiller himself, got fourth money. There were six entries in the race. Idle Moments was withdrawn after the second heat.

The time in the 2.30 pace class was not very fast, but the racing was good. Helen Taft, driven by Gerow, won first money, coming in first in all three heats of the race. Time—2.22. Mazie, owned and driven by H. A. McCoy, got second place and Bessie Pardner from J. S. Allen's stable and driven by Sandy Stewart, landed third coin.

The first heat of the 2.21 pace and 2.18 trot was not particularly fast, and went off without a hitch. Alice A. kept first place round both laps, and won in 2.19, but Thomas J. came in a close second, with Tattam third.

HEAT NO. 2.
In the second heat Thomas J. took the pole and kept it, winning in 2.17. Tattam made some great gains in the back stretch in the second lap, but

found it impossible to get ahead of Alice A. Harbey McCoy's horse Belle Gold, 2.20, showed up some excellent speed, but couldn't land any better than fourth place. In this heat Idle Moments, 2.21, was withdrawn owing to lameness.

HEAT NO. 3.
Thomas J. took the pole and succeeded in holding it to the finish. In this mile the classy bay gelding lowered his record to 2.16. Belle Gould broke on the back stretch in the first lap, but by a remarkable exhibition of speed, regained her lost ground and finished fourth.

HEAT NO. 4.
When the horses came out for third heat, Belle Gould was ruled out under the new 1910 rule of the Maritime Trotting Association, which reads that a horse which has not taken a money position at the end of the third heat shall not compete in the next or following heats of that race.

When the game started, Thomas J. although he did not get a good start, took the pole and again finished first in 2.16. Orphan Girl once more showed a fine streak of speed and pulled under the wire in second position, with Tattam only a few feet behind.

The final result of the race was: Thomas J., first money. Alice A., second money. Orphan Girl, third money. Tattam, fourth money.

2.30 PACE CLASS.

Three heats saw the finish of this number on the program. When Tom Holmes came out seated behind Look Again, he got the glad hand from the grand-stand, at which demonstration

of affection the dusky driver gracefully tipped his cap.

The time was not very fast in this event.

1ST HEAT.

Bessie Pardner started off in the lead, but in the second lap was overtaken and passed by Helen Taft, who kept first place to the finish, doing the mile in 2.22.

Mazie came under the wire in second place and Look Again finished third.

2ND HEAT.

Driver Gerow did not have to exert Helen Taft in order to win once more in 2.22. Mazie came in several feet behind, an easy second.

3RD HEAT.

Helen Taft seemed to have all these heats to herself, the other horses not pushing her in the least. Bessie Pardner put up a good brand of speed under Sandy Stewart's direction, but Mazie lengthened out her stride on the back stretch in the second lap and passed the Allen mare.

Sandy Stewart lived things up some when, on the home stretch, he used the whip, in a vain effort, to regain second position.

The race resulted in Helen Taft getting first money, Mazie second, and Bessie Pardner third.

The summary of the races follow:

2.21 PACE AND 2.18 TROT CLASS.

Thomas J., b. g., (Alfordley), 2 1 1 1
Alice A., b. m., (Stamboro), 1 2 3 4
Orphan Girl, b. m., (Ferro), 4 5 2 2
Tattam, b. g., (Todd), 3 3 5 3
Idle Moments, b. m., (Ire)
Bend, 5 6 wdn.
Belle Gould, ch. m., (Constantine), 6 4 4 r o

Time, 2.19, 2.17, 2.16, 2.16.
Helen Taft, b. m., (Ervin M.), 1 1 1
Mazie, gr. m., (Young McGreg-
or), 2 2 2
Bessie Pardner, b. m., (Par-
doner), 5 3 3
Look Again, ch. m., (Looking
Forward), 3 4 4
Daisy B., blk. m., (Albert
Clay), 4 5 5
Time, 2.22, 2.22, 2.23.

The Trotting Park was the scene of some great racing yesterday in the second day's program of the Maritime Circuit curtain raiser. A crowd of about 800 people witnessed the sport. The weather was ideal and the track in perfect condition. Some excellent and needed repair work has been done on the track this season and Fredericton now possesses one of the finest race tracks in the Maritime Provinces. All the events were pulled off promptly and without a hitch.

THE 2.25 PACE AND 2.22 TROT.

Ald. H. C. Jewett's hay stallion, King Arion, 2.22, did the feature work of the day when he lowered his own, and established a new record, in the Province for trotting stallions. He won the 2.25 pace and 2.22 trot in three straight heats without any over exertion. The old Provincial record for trotting stallions was 2.18. King Arion did the mile in the first heat in 2.17. Mary Cromwell was expected to do great things in this event, but disappointed her backers to the tune of fourth place. Many of the sports dropped a lot of good money on the Halifax mare. She did not do any speedy work, but skipped frequently, and thereby lost much ground. King Arion took the pole in each heat and had no difficulty in holding it. Lady Belmont, 2.25, from the stables of McCoy Bros., did some real nice speeding, and time and again made great gains, but she broke frequently and only succeeded in landing third money. Prince Louis, 2.21, the bay gelding owned by J. W. Smith of St. Stephen, showed up well. At times he made King Arion step some to keep the lead. Lady Belmont shut him out from the second place in the first heat, but he succeeded in taking second place in the last two heats of the race. He pushed King Arion pretty hard for first position in the third heat, but lost by half a length.

THE 2.18 PACE AND 2.15 TROT.

This race did not furnish any record breaking heats, but much interest was evinced in the work of Frank Patch, 2.17, and Helen Gould, 2.19. The sports were much disappointed when this horse only got fourth place in the first heat, but their enthusiasm for the brown gelding returned when, in the three successive heats of the race, he passed under the wire in position number one and thus earned first money. Helen Gould showed up well in the first heat, when she came in ahead of all, and although she acted badly in all the other heats, was awarded second coin. She skipped frequently and Driver Holmes had to make her go some at times in order to regain lost ground.

Peacherina, 2.17, under the direction of L. R. Ackers, of Halifax, took third money in the race. In the third heat, Helen Gould, by a great burst of speed, passed Peacherina on the home stretch and snatched the Halifax horse out of second place in that heat.

Money Maker, 2.18, was awarded fourth money, which may, perhaps, be considered a defence for his name. However this race did not show him up to his reputation, and by skipping won and then fell back to fourth place in the second and third heats. The best time was 2.17, by Frank Patch in heat 2.

2.30 TROT.

This event was very interesting, but by no means fast. Walter H., the grey gelding, driven by Peter Carroll and formerly owned by Dennis Hannon of this city, found first position in all the heats quite easy, with the exception of the first, when Rapidity, by a remarkable burst of speed on the home stretch, gave him first place by half a length. Rapidity went bad in the last two heats of the race, and owing to numerous running streaks, was distanced in the third heat.

Muster Mill, from C. W. Dugan's stable in Woodstock, was full of speed and won second money. He did some fine sprinting at times, often pulling up from third or fourth position to second in the finish.

Mitchell and Adams' horse, King Edward, brought third money in this event, but in the third heat fell back to fourth position before the speed of Royal Pandect. The latter horse brought up the rear in heat number one and only got fourth place in the second heat. He was declared the winner of fourth money.

The best time was made by Walter H., who did the mile of the first heat in 2.21. The third and last heat was completed in 2.24.

The summary of the holiday race was:

2.18 PACE AND 2.15 TROT.

Frank Patch, br. s., (Patchen Boy), 4 1 1 1
Helen Gould, ch. m., (Nelson Wilkes), 1 2 2 4
Peacherina, blk. m., (Betterton), 2 3 3 2
Money Maker, b. g., (Princeton), 3 4 4 3
Time, 2.18, 2.17, 2.17, 2.20.

2.25 PACE AND 2.22 TROT.

King Arion, b. s., (Arion), 1 1 1
Prince Louis, b. g., (Brazilian), 3 2 2
Lady Belmont, br. m., (Belmont Chief), 2 3 4

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CONDITION OF FIGHTERS, BY JACK LONDON.

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RENO, Nev., June 24.—Reno has always been a live town, but just now it is quickening to a greater and growing liveliness than it has ever known. Every train, east or west, brings in the sporting men, fight followers and the inevitable correspondent. It is to wonder. On the other hand, there is no wonder about it. There must be a large remnant left of the large bloodedness of the English speaking race to evince such a tremendous interest in the particular sport of sports which it originated and developed until it became stamped to-day into that crystallization of many generations, the Marquis of Queensberry rules.

Everybody is arriving in Reno. All the men whom one has met in all the earth he meets again here, in Nevada's metropolis. From all the lions of the old days down to the latest cubs they are here; fight fans, grizzled and time worn, who remember far beyond the aching thirty-nine rounds at Chantilly, France, between Sullivan and Mitchell, down to the youngsters of yesterday who were not dry behind the ears when Corbett and Fitzsimmons fought their historic fight in Carson City.

Never, in a war, at any one place, was congregated so large a number of writers and illustrators. When the Japanese threw fifty thousand men across the Yalu into the teeth of the Russians on the Manchurian shore, on the walls of Wijn, but eleven correspondents looked on. Many men were killed and the fate of great empires and ancient dynasties hung in the balance, yet only eleven men were there to tell what they saw to the world. But here in Reno to-day were ten times that number of correspondents.

Nor are they here to witness a bloody battle and the deaths of thousands. They are here to witness two strong men, hearty and husky, who will not kill each other, but who will attempt by skill and wit and gameness and endurance to out-

do each other in a sport that calls to the uttermost for the exercise of all these faculties.

Cause of the Interest.

For the man who would know life as it is in all its naked facts, and not life as he surmises or dreams it ought to be, there is something of big and of basic importance in the contemplation of the world-wide interest manifested in this fight.

Why do men fight? Because of the money in it. An apt answer, but it will not apply to the following question:—Why do men go to witness fights? Certainly not to spend money. There are easier ways of spending money than by travelling all the way to Nevada. They want to see fights because of the old red blood of Adam in them that will not down. It is a bit of profound significant human phenomena. No sociologist nor ethicist who leaves this fact out can cast a true horoscope of humanity.

There is another way of looking at it. The newspaper editors are skilled purveyors to the public of information the public wants. Did a few men only desire this particular information the editors would be guilty of gross stupidity in sending to the front so large and expensive an aggregation of star sporting writers. But the editors are making no mistake. The point is that the public wants this information. The conclusion is that the public, despite countless asseverations to the contrary, is interested in prize fighting.

Certainly Reno is interested. Reno is also proud. She considers herself fortunate. Once again, as in no other modern way, will she put herself and the State of Nevada on the map. No masterpiece of prose, poetry, painting or sculpture could achieve this distinction for Reno. Well, it is a fact of life, and as a fact of life it is worthy of contemplation.

Calls It a Fluke.

And Reno got the big fight by a fluke. She got it because of a foul blow such as would not be countenanced in any prize ring. A Governor of a State whose function is to execute the law arrogated to himself the function of interpreting the

law—a function that peculiarly and specifically belongs to the courts. Failing in getting an injunction from the courts, the Governor enforced his decree by calling for troops.

Every man who applauded this action applauded, consciously or unconsciously, a foul blow. Had such persons had a training in the brutal fair play of the ring they would have been fairer minded than to applaud the consummation they devoutly wished, but a consummation achieved in any way except devoutly.

But Reno got the fight and is putting forth a great effort to make good in the matter of housing and feeding and entertaining the army of guests that are descending upon her.

"Jack" Johnson has not yet arrived, but it seems as if all the rest of the world were already here. Jeffries is comfortably installed at beautiful Moana Springs. To-day in an old fashioned game of "two nine out" he sweated and batted and pitched and ran like a juvenile Cyclops. He was good to look upon. To such degree did the massive bulk of him loom up that other old time heavies in the game with him, such as Corbett and Chynski, looked like mild dweebs.

Of entirely different build and texture is Jeffries from them. He is a big bear, heavy and rugged, and he is physically a man that one may well say occurs no oftener than once in a generation.

Jeffries was examined to-day by Mike Murphy, than whom there is no other who can better judge to the finest hair of a man's condition. Murphy's report was unequivocally favorable. More than that, he was enthusiastic. And yet a year ago Jeffries was reckoned a "has been." He has certainly devoted himself seriously and faithfully to the preparation for this fight.

To demonstrate that human nature is human nature the world over, whether in ships' forecastles, sewing circles or training camps; Sullivan and Corbett celebrated their meeting to-day by indulging in a tilt of neither mean nor dire proportions. Nobody was hurt and the militia was not called out.