Back Stretch

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cher, won both the 2nd and 6th dashes, with Jimmie A (Reeves) 2-3 and Bonnie Dale (Birt) 6-2, best time 2:16 3/5. Miss Donna Mae really surprised the fans and showed that her sojourn in Saint John, N. B., has renewed her speed and finishing qualities. She was 1-1 against a strong field and was given a great drive by Emmett Bernard. She is owned by Harry MacIntosh, Miss Commando (Llewellyn) 2-5, Vernita Pearl (Lowery) 4-2, best time 2.13 2/5—her fastest time this season.

Races at Summerside Saturday night were featured by a classy driving display given by Don MacNeill who has been winning races and reducing or giving new records to horses all season. In the 1st and 5th races he drove Chocolate Dip to first and second place with My Darling (MacGregor) 2-1, time, 2.13 4/5, 2.16 3/5. Chocolate Dip is owned by Lee O'Brien and My Darling by Senator G. H. Barbour. Don also placed Tommy Morgan twice in the winner's column with Yankee Joan (MacRae) 2-8, Il Conto (Coles) 8-2, time, 2.17 4/5, 2.19 3/5—a new record for Tommy, who is owned by McKay and McNeill. Il Conto is the pacer that Coles received in trade for Mona Clegg a year ago. The 3rd and 8th races were won by Wayne S. Grattan, owned and driven by Ivan Taylor, Lena's Bob (Bernard) 2-2, best time, 2.15 2/5 which equals his record. In the 4th and 7th races the trotter Vella Grattan, that Don MacNeill recently purchased from Jimmie Given, Halifax, showed the kind of speed that Jimmie told us about when over here, winning both dashes with Sir Francis Drake (Sobey) 2-4, Tim Oshanko (Bernard) 4-2, best time 2.16 4/5, just two-fifths of a second off her record.

Our friend S. A. MacNeill (Don's brother) has very kindly sent us a program of last Saturday night's races at Roosevelt Raceway and calls our attention to the success of Joe O'Brien and the outstanding performance of Adios Boy notwithstanding the track was somewhat heavy from rain showers all evening and a fairly stiff breeze blowing. Thanks, S. A. for remembering us. Joe's win in the 7th race at one and one-sixteenth miles was for a purse of $4500 and seven of the best trotters at Roosevelt Raceway started. S. A. writes ... Scotch Victor, a four-year-old by Scotland, owned by S. A. Camp, was very impressive in this win. Joe went right to the top with him and stayed there winning by there open lengths. The first quarter was in 30 1/5 seconds and the half in 1.01 1/5. Joe won the 4th race, a classified trot at one and one-sixteenth miles with a purse of $4500, with the five-year-old Beck Hanover, owned by S. A. Camp. Time, 2.12 3/5. He also won the 2nd race with the newly arrived Brewer's Gallon 2.00 4/5, owned by B. C. Cruikshank, Halifax, time 2.07 1/5 and the purse $3000. Glancing over the entries we would call them a very good bunch of trotters and no doubt the time would have been faster if the conditions had been better.

The pacer Adios Boy referred to, is a two-year-old by Adios, that won the 3rd race, class BB for pacers, purse $4000. His time was 2.03 1/5. Previously he had taken a record of 2.03 over a half-mile track. He is owned by J. S. Turner of Nassauwadox, Virginia. He and Meadow Pace and other two-year-old pacers will be fighting it out at Lexington, Ky., in October where it is expected that one of them will set up a new world's record for two-year-old pacers.

A palace horse car arrived in Summerside Thursday night to convey a number of horses to Blue Bonnets Raceway, Montreal. Among those who are expected to make the trip are the following to be raced by Earle Semple: Mary Merk 2.08 2/5, Laurel Chief 2.14 1/5, Jerry's Nightmare 3, 2.09, Guy Long 2.13 1/5, Royal Budlong, Jo-Jo Spencer 2.10 and Yuta 2.11 3/5, and James MacGregor is expected to take up My Darling 2.08 1/5 and Laurie O'Brien is going with Tru Single G. 2.02, Mason's 49 2.13, Whirlaway 2.15 3/5, Colleen Adam 2.12.

The 21st Renewal of the Prince Edward Island Harness Racing Club's Colt Stakes at Summerside Wednesday afternoon and night and Thursday night will be long remembered by those who saw them. The Colt Stakes' officials left no stone unturned to bring to the attention of breeders throughout the Maritimes the desirability of keeping their well-bred youngsters eligible to the stakes, entering them and racing them. To the Secretary, W. G. Gillespie, must go the greatest credit because he worked most energetically to bring about their success. To the Summerside Trotting Association must also go a full measure of praise for the magnificent plant which they have built, the splendid condition of their Raceway and the way the events were raced off with everything that thought could provide to present them to the public in an attractive manner. J. H. DeWitt of Woodstock, N.B., a Director of the United States Trotting Association, was an interested spectator and told the writer that he was really astonished when he saw the track, the plant and all the adjuncts that went to make a race meeting satisfactory. Even the detail of the parade did not escape him with the very handsome thoroughbred ridden by Mrs. Wedlock leading the parade for each class.

In addition to the colt races there were a number of events for aged horses and these brought together some of the best trotters and pacers in the Maritimes and resulted in some fast records being taken by locally bred horses. Not the least part of the program was the presentation of prizes which consisted of trophys, heavy coolers, light coolers, whips and glasses to the winners and other contestants.

Wednesday afternoon was the official opening and the first event raced was the Four Year Old Trot Futurity, purse $700, with five starters. Ginger Worthy by Ginger, owned and driven by George MacDonald, Mermaid, was the winner with 1-2-1, Miss Palli, owned and driven by Ellwood Shaw, 2-1-2, Tara Littledale (Kelly) 3-3-3. Time, 2.17, 2.20, 2.18—new records for Ginger Worthy and Miss Palli. Two Year Old Trot Futurity, purse $700—Royal Train by Fast Train 2.05, owned by Dr. Preston McIntyre, Montague, and driven by Archie Llewellyn, was 1-1, Joppa Maid (Shaw) 2-2, Laura's Princess (Collins) 3-4, Sarah J. (T. Semple) 4-3, 2.35, 2.31. An additional event raced was the Junior Free For All with three dashes, purse $600. The first dash was won by Gahagen, owned by Dr. George Bishop and driven by E. Shaw, in 2.12, Peter Clegg (McNeill) 2, Jo-Jo Spencer (E. Semple) 3. The next two dashes were won by Tru-Single G., owned and driven by Laurie O'Brien. Ann's Boy (Bowness) 2-2, Jo-Jo Spencer 3-4, Nell Kalmuck 5-3. Time, 2.12, 2.11 1/5, 2.12 2/5.

Wednesday night—Three Year Old Futurity, purse $700—Jerry's Nightmare (E. Semple) owned by James O'Brien, Elmsdale, that had previously taken a record of 2.09 was conceded to be the winner. It was a straight heat victory with Flicka McElwyn (Sobey) 2-4-2, Reta Federal (Harrison) 4-2-4. Time, 2.15 2/5, 2.13 3/5, 2.12 2/5. Other races that night were the Classified Pace, purse $400 with Robert Bruce, owned by George Brookins, Kensington, and driven by Don MacNeill, 2-1, Yuta, owned by Andrew Perry, Summerside and driven by Earle Semple, 1-2. Time 2.11 3/5, 2.11 3/5—new records for both horses that had started the season as green pacers. Classified Trot, purse $400—Rajah Hanover (E. Moreside), owned by Myron Bell, Charlottetown, 1-4, Vella Grattan, owned and driven by Don MacNeill, 4-1, Waymark (D. Seaman) 2-5, Lena's Boy (Bernard) 5-2. Time, 2.16 3/5, 2.16. Single Dash, purse $150—Facecloth, owned by Clayton Green, Emerald and driven by George Sobey, 1, Il Conto (Coles) 2, Lucky Harvester (E. Semple) 3. Time, 2.15 4/5.

Thursday night's racing was considered by many to be one of the best programs witnessed this season. The Futurities were good and the Free For All was exceptional and it is a race that will be talked of for a long long time. The three heats were the fastest trotted or paced in Summerside this season and it was a Summerside owned horse that showed the way home to some of the best of the fast brigade in the Maritimes. The 3-Year-Old Trot Futurity, purse $700, was won by Play Safe by Playdale, owned by R. N. Dawson and Melvin Bell of Crapaud, and driven by Blair Andrew, with 1-1-3, Just A Squire, owned by Dr. R. F. Seaman and driven by Don Seaman, 3-3-1, Tudy Federal (Harrison) 2-4-2, Robert Lee (O'Meara) 6-2-5. Time 2.31, 2.27, 2.28 2/5. Free For All, purse $1050—Babe Britton, owned by George Thompson, Summerside, and driven by Len O'Meara, 1-1-6, Headway, owned and driven by James Given, Halifax, 2-2-1, A. G. Scott (Moreside) 4-3-2, Hedgewood Chief (Harrison) 3-4-3, Johnnie Kalmuck (Kelly) 6-6-4, Direct Mite (Letcher) 5-5-5. Time, 2.08 3/5, 2.09, 2.08 2/5. Two Year Old Pace Futurity, purse $700—Janet Clegg, owned and driven by George Sobey, 1-1, Premier J. Walter (Lowery) 2-2, Chevie G. (Letcher) 3-3, Sunkist Joe (Shea) 4-4. Time, 2.18 3/5, 2.18 1/5. The Maritime record for two-year-old pacers is 2.17 2/5 held by Janet Clegg.

Additional horses that will be racing at Blue Bonnets include Direct Mite 2.06 3/5, A. G. Scott 2.09 4/5, Jennie Kalmuck 2.10 3/5, owned by Lorne Letcher, and Rajah Hanover 2.13 3/5, owned by Myron Bell, Charlottetown.

It is regrettable that during the meeting an accident occurred in one of the race events which resulted in the popular driver Rannie MacDonald being taken to hospital. We understand that his injuries are a broken wrist and possibly broken arm and we hope that he will soon be around again.

During last Wednesday night's races at Truro at the end of the first dash in the Free For All, which was won by Future Counsel, with Iola Henley 2, time, 2.10 4/5, Clayton MacLeod, owner of Iola, stated that his little mare was through and would not race again. Future Counsel won the other race of the Free For All with Joey Harvester (Conroy) 2. Time, 2.12 3/5. Future Counsel is owned by A. D. Napke, Newcastle, N. B., and was driven by G. Mauger. Another winner was David G. (C. MacLeod), owned by G. E. MacLeod, Westville, Leo Federal (Conroy) 2-2, best time, 2.15 3/5. Earl's Prince Charming won Race No. 1 for driver Ed Haley, with Dr. F. Chips (Barrieau) 2. Time, 2.19. Johnny Lee (Haley) in races 5 and 8 was 1-2, Billy B. C. Parker (Gould) 4-1, Gallant Bobby (Connors) 2-4, time, 2.15 1/5, 2.14 3/5.

Last Wednesday night's racing at Saint John, N. B., was one of the best of the season. In the Free For All Abbeland (Goguen) was 1-1, Thelma Lou (Downey) 2-3, Roval. Jr. (Langille) 3-2, time, 2.10 2/5, 2.12 1/5. Dashes 5 and 8 were won by Arlene's Money (Langille Jr.), Pure Gold (Langille, Sr.) 2-3. Ramona Chips (Lawson) 3-2, time, 2.15, 2.15 1/5. The 9th dash was won by Symbol Majesty (Horseman), Henine Strong (Britton) 2, time, 2.15 2/5.

Asiatic cholera may kill a sufferer within an hour of the first symptoms.

Hunters Corner

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would weigh two pounds and as high as four (approx) and scores of smaller fry. He would land a trout and then let the pool rest for a few minutes before trying again. He creeled six with the top trout weighing two and a half pounds. A light weight always seemed to beat the heavies to the fly.

He went back the following Wednesday and found the pool a mess. It only held three trout that would be in the pound—pound and a half bracket and they darted from one side of the pool to be other like something possessed the minute he showed himself. The cause was apparent. The alders were broken and trampled over into the pool. The poachers didn't even trouble to pull out the stakes to which the net had been attached. Later this man and two companions caught two men in the act of netting and turned the information over to me with no strings attached. I'll comment on this incident in a later column. It shows only too plainly what sportsmen with sand in their gizzards can do when they set their minds to it.

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It's high time that the men who are complaining about the poor trout fishing woke up and did something about it. I have put in a lot of my time this season protecting trout when I should be doing the job for which I am being paid—protecting our game. My trout patrols are for free. The protection of trout comes under the Special Fishery Regulations, a Federal Act and my appointment with this Department is purely honorary or as it is sometimes called ex-officio—without pay

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My worst headaches have come about in connection with trout protection. I can put up with abuse and threats—I have been warned this year to stay off certain streams—but that's all in the day's work if I feel that I am accomplishing something. One must have the support of sportsmen—I mean active support—and co-operation in the Courts if one is to get anywhere. I had one bitter disappointment this season. A 'Jigging' case was dismissed in Court and I am still asking myself why? I have prosecuted over one thousand cases in Court during my time and have a pretty fair idea when I produce the goods and when I don't.

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Sometimes I wonder why I bother with the trout at all and when I do I think of the guy who was always bragging about how strong his brother was. He went on to say that his brother was a strong man at a circus and made his living by having a helper break rocks on his head with a sledge hammer but after 12 years he had to give it up. "What happened?" inquired a listener, "did his head give out?" "No", was the reply, "he developed flat feet."

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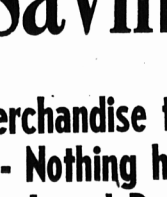

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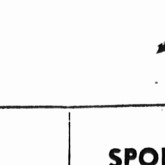

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