

CLOSING DAY OF THE FAIR

COLD WAVE KEPT THE PEOPLE
AWAY FROM DALLAS.

The First Race for 2.45 Trotters
and Pacers Was Won by Lamp-
black of Wilkes-Barre-Tinker,
the Property of R. G. Norton, of
This City, Won the Free-for-All in
Three Straight Hests—Post Haste
Met with an Accident—Track
Was in Prime Condition.

Special from a Staff Correspondent.

Dallas, Pa., Oct. 5.—A crowd of per-
haps 1,000 persons attended the last
day's meeting of the Dallas Union Agri-
cultural society here today. It was
an extra day, put in to make up for
the storminess of Wednesday, and
Friday's races had been held over. The
cold wave had not diminished much and
the grand stand was almost des-
erted during the progress of the
races because the spectators preferred
to get out in the sunshines and keep
warm.

The first race of the day was one for
2.45 trotters and pacers, which had five
starters and a total purse of \$150.
Post Haste heats to decide the best
horse of the quintette and was not flat-
shed until after sunset, when Lamp-
black took the honors. This horse is
from Wilkes-Barre and was driven by
Eddie Tatton, the well-known driver
of that vicinity.

The second race was a free-for-all,
and was won in three straight heats
by Tinker, the property of R. G. Norton
of Scranton. This gelding is by
Poem, out of Princess. He also won the
2.48 event on Friday afternoon, in five
heats, making a fine showing during
two days. He was handled in both
races by Driver Frank Harris and
worked like a clock. In today's race
he reeled off the three heats without a
skip or a break and never had the
weight of a whip on him.

The horsemen, after the meeting,
commenced right away to get things in
readiness to go to Bloomsburg for the
meeting there next week, most of them
having one or more entries made at
the meeting of the Columbia County
Fair association, which opens on Tues-
day.

Post Haste Injured.

Post Haste, the fine bay gelding
owned by Smith Gorman of Scranton,
met with a painful accident in the sec-
ond heat of the free-for-all that after-
noon. He pulled off his shoe on the
right front foot and was badly lame
when the meet was finished, necessi-
tating his withdrawal from the race for
the balance of the season probably.

The association managers are jubilant
over the financial success of the
meeting, although they had many
drawbacks, particularly in the weather.

Owing to the great attendance of
Thursday and Friday the association
is now on the right side of the ledger
for this year's meet.

Only a few hundred people were on
the grounds today, the third day of the
meet. A cold northwest breeze swept
over the grounds and met the racers
as they came up the homestretch. Heavy
blankets were in demand between the
heats to keep the trotters and
pacers warm.

W. C. Norton of Ridge Farm, Alden-
ville, regrets that he brought his stallion
Goldsecker to the grounds, for on
Wednesday his valuable horse broke
a tendon in his right forefoot on the
slippery, muddy track, and his career
may be interfered with for years. His
other stallion, Ethel Bel, who went sick
at Homestead last week, had so far re-
covered from his indisposition as to
be able to start in the free-for-all this
afternoon. Theo. Benshaw, starting
judge of Wilkes-Barre, presided today
in the officials' box. Associated with
him were the two judges and timers,
as have acted during the past three
days. The track was thoroughly
scrapped before the races and it was in
prime condition for fast time, although
the rawness of the atmosphere rather
militated against first-class perfor-
mances.

At 1.45 the bell sounded for the ap-
pearance of the starters for the first
event of the day, the 2.45 class. This
race was decided as follows, heat by
heat:

First Race—2.45 Class.

First Heat. It was 2.45 when the horses were
ready to begin racing for the word. There were
no entries out of eight names. Lampblack
and the pacer, Avoca Girl drew second position.
Nina B., Little Boy, fourth, and Kate Field
had no entries. The heat was given a 1.50 start
after two fuses. Almost as soon as the word was given three of the nine were off in
feet. At the quarter Avoca Girl led Little Boy
by two lengths with Lampblack third, and back.
At the half Avoca kept her lead, with Little Boy and Lampblack hot nearest neighbor.
The race was over in 1.50, with Lampblack
winning by a length and a half. Lampblack
was given two lengths, while Avoca got only
one. The finish was close, Avoca getting home
easily two lengths from Little Boy, Lampblack
five feet behind, third. Time of heat, 2.28.

Second Heat. The first time down Mr. Hindey
planted Avoca Girl in a dozen when the
word was given. Then after the horses had gone one
hundred feet he turned around and rang the
bell to recall them. There were three more fuses
before the word was given for the second
time in this heat. At the quarter Avoca Girl,
Lampblack and Little Boy were one, two, three
lengths apart. At the half and six fuses the
same order was maintained. Avoca won the
heat by two lengths. Lampblack, Little Boy
and the judge apparently were not looking at
this. Time, 2.30.

Third Heat. The horses were lined up when the
word was given. At the quarter Lampblack,
Little Boy and Nina B. were close together,
played as hard. Avoca girl was having a
rather easy time in the rear and had to be shamed
about a standstill. At the half, Lampblack
was just two lengths ahead of Little Boy, who
now was No. 3. After a short amount of ground.
At six fuses there was no change in position.
Half way up the home stretch, Ethel Bel had
to pass Little Boy, who was running hard.
Little Boy swerved his car and cut back
into the race. Lampblack came in last, three
lengths ahead of Little Boy, and Kate Field.
The horses gave second place to Kate Field and set the pace back to fourth
place.

Fourth Heat. Although Kate Field was a
little slow, she did not give the word until
the eleventh start, eventually sending the
heat to a very poor start. Lampblack was
the Avoca Girl, second, and Little Boy, third.
Lampblack won by a neck after doing considerable
running around the track than anything else,
but the judges apparently were not looking at
this. Time, 2.32.

Fifth Heat. The horses were lined up when the
word was given. At the quarter Lampblack,
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Fifth Heat. It was after sundown when this
heat was called. There were three attempts to
get away before the word was given to the heat
start of the day. At the first start Lamp-
black led the word and was never threatened at
any stage of the running, winning the heat
easily with Little Boy second and Nina B.
third. Time of heat, 2.32. Summary:
2.45 class, trotters and pacers; purse, \$150.
Avoca Girl, b. m., W. E. Hindey.
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Wilkes-Barre 2 3 4 3 2
Kittie DeLoach, b. m., W. J. Heyer.
Wilkes-Barre 5 5 2 4 5
Nina B., b. m., W. M. Hindey.
Scranton 4 4 3 5 3
Times—2.281, 2.31, 2.321, 2.321.

Second Race—Free-for-All.

First Heat—Tinker, the winner of Friday's 2.45 race, drove the pole; Post Haste,
who captured the 2.50 event on Thursday, was
second; Miss Jessie, the winner of Thursday's
2.21 race, was third; Shuster Boy was fourth,
and Ethel Bel fifth. Shuster Boy was the favorite
in the betting. It was necessary to score a name
of the track, owing to the bad actions of Miss
Jessie, who has been the most popular
racer in the city. She is a native of Scranton
and has won many races. There were other delays due to various
causes, so that it was not until the eleventh
start that the word was finally given to a fair
start. At the quarter, Tinker and Shuster Boy
were on even terms for the lead, with Miss Jessie
third, then three lengths back. At the half, Tinker
led, then three lengths back. At the end, Tinker
kept his lead intact and Post Haste was still
third. Shuster Boy's driver tried hard to close
the gap on the stretch, but Tinker was third.
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