



WORK A WINNER.

HE DEFEATS JUNIUS DAVIS IN A LIVE BIRD MATCH.

The Riverton Pigeon Shot Was in Poor Form—Work Shot His Fast, Snappy Style and Came Out Victorious—The Birds Were a Fine Lot.

George Work, of New York, the crack amateur pigeon shot, won a victory over Junius Davis, of Philadelphia, a member of the Riverton Gun Club. The match was shot at Riverton, N. J., on Jan. 5, at 100 live birds. Work killed 82 and Davis 78.

A strong wind was blowing from the Southwest and the birds were assisted in their speed in this way. The birds were specially selected for this match and were the finest lot of flyers released on the Riverton grounds in many a day. Davis drew a very hard lot of birds and seemed to feel discouraged toward the end of the match, while Work, who shot a quick, bang, bang, improved as the match progressed, killing 20, 19, 21 and 22 respectively out of the first, second, third and fourth 25 birds.

Work was first to miss and let a driver go out on the ninth round. His next bird fell dead outside. His 12th, a towler, fell outside. The 21st and 24th lost were left quarterers and fast ones. The 32d fell outside; the 36th, a right quarterer, fell dead over the line, as did the 39th, a fast twister on the right; the 52d, a left quarterer, got away and Work then settled down and shot strong to the finish. The 60th, a fast right quarterer, and 68th in same direction, died outside. Work lost but three birds in the last 25, while Davis allowed eight misses to be scored against him, which lost the match for him.

Davis was two ahead of the New Yorker at the first 25, and four on the 50. At 75 he was one ahead, but the last 25 birds was the slide for him and he struck it fairly in the most slippery part. His misses were on the 11th, a right quarterer, and the 12th, in same direction; the 19th, an incomer; the 30th, a right quarterer, dead outside; the 37th, a fast one to the right; the 50th, a swift outgoer; the 55th, 56th, 63d and 66th were all drivers; the 61st and 65th were right quarterers; the 76th and 77th right quarterers, 83d, a left quarterer; 84th, a fast right quarterer, and 91st, a straightaway.

Both men made several beautiful shots and a number of very clever kills were made in twisting drivers, which went with the speed of a rocket. Work made 30 "star" kills and Davis 27.

Out of the 200 birds released 112 were of the driver kind.

Louis Flannigan acted as referee. Fred Hoey and W. Watrous looked after Work, while T. S. Dando and Dr. Kirstner acted in same capacity for Davis. Following are the scores:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Score. George Work, New York: 21221 2220* 2222 22222 02202-20. Junius Davis, Philadelphia: 2221 2111 00221 11202 21112-22.

After this match was finished another was shot at 50 birds between Work and T. S. Dando, the latter a crack shot of the Riverton Club, but who has only recently recovered from a severe attack of typhoid fever and was far from being in his old shooting form. Work won this match also by killing 44 to 41. Dando started in badly but shot a brilliant finish, killing 23 out of the last 25. Following are the scores:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Score. George Work, New York: 21222 21011 22222 22022 22212-23. T. S. Dando, Philadelphia: 1112 2322 11200 20221 *1100-17.

THE KEYSTONE'S ANNUAL.

A Crack Shooting Club Passes a Pleasant Day.

The Keystone Shooting League, of Philadelphia, the crack shooting organization of the State, held their annual shoot, at their finely arranged grounds at Holmesburg Junction on Monday, Jan. 4. The Keystone Club numbers among its members some of the best target and live bird shots in the country, and their team captured nearly all of the cups at the State shoot last fall. Such men as Will James and Isaac Wolstencroft, Joseph and Harry Thurman, W. H. Pack, W. M. Pack, George Pack, F. Henry, J. Rothacker, E. Johnson, E. David, H. Landis, David, Joe Leaming, D. Longenecker, H. Ridge, Wade Wilson and other members of the club are capable of holding their own in any company in any kind of shooting.

The annual shoot was given on Jan. 4, which was a team match, chosen from among the shooters on the grounds. Twelve

men were on each team and each man shot at ten birds, 30 yards rise. The losing side paid for the supper, which was served after the shooting was over in the second story of the club house. The Keystone Shooting League is in a very prosperous and flourishing condition and is the most popular shooting organization in Philadelphia. They received over twenty new applications for membership and this season promises to be the banner year with the Keystone boys.

The birds furnished were of a very good quality and only one man, Will Wolstencroft, was able to kill straight. Among the visitors was Tom Keller, representative of the Peters Cartridge Co., and Kings Powder Co., of Cincinnati. Tom was unable to reach Philadelphia in time for the shooting but managed to make some fine shots at the supper table.

Following are the scores of the team match. Captain Pack's team won over Captain Thurman's team by one bird.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Score. W. H. Pack: 12021 *2220-7. W. H. Wolstencroft: 22222 22222-10. W. Morris: 12122 22220-9.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Score. N. Thurman: 102*2 22212-8. Landis: 202*1 22222-8. E. D. Johnson: 11222 20020-7.

The supper which followed was a pleasant affair and speeches were made by those present.

Taken altogether the day was a very enjoyable one, and the Keystone League will continue to grow and prosper as long as they show the hospitable and friendly feeling that was exhibited on this occasion. Those seated at the tables were: Harry Thurman, W. H. Wolstencroft, G. S. Norris, Wade Wilson, Henry Febiger, H. L. David, Will K. Park, Thomas Keller, James Wolstencroft, Joseph Thurman, Howard Ridge, E. D. Johnson, D. Longenecker, J. Ross, Harry Stevenson, R. S. Elwell, H. S. Callaway, A. Stevenson, William Donnelly, W. H. Pack, J. K. Starr, J. Rothacker, C. H. Fitzgerald, N. Moore, O. K. Stevenson, J. B. Ridge, A. Worrell, Harry Allen, O. K. Wilson, Jr., N. Swope, P. N. Day and A. J. Rust.

The annual election of officers was held and the following were chosen: President, Wade Wilson; vice president, Albert W. Worrell; secretary, George E. Pack; treasurer, E. R. Johnson; field captain, William H. Pack; assistant field captain, H. L. David; scorer, Nathaniel Swope; Board of Governors, J. Longenecker, William M. Pack, Henry Febiger.

"Sporting Life" wishes a Happy New Year to the Keystone Shooting League, of Philadelphia.

SHOT FOR A GUN.

Thomas Small Won It at Belmont Park.

A number of Ardmore sports held a shoot Jan. 6 at Belmont Park, Philadelphia, for a handsome breech-loading gun. Blue Rock targets were used, rapid firing system, American Association rules, miss and out. The chances were 50 cents each, and most of the men took six chances. Thomas Small was the victor, carrying two chances out with six straight hits. The score:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Score. Small: 6 6 5 4 3 3-27. William Torpy: 4 3 1 0 0 0-8. John Dillin: 3 3 1 0 0 0-7.

Standard Gun Club.

The Standard Gun Club, of Baltimore, Md., had a live-bird shoot, December 31 at the Point Breeze grounds. Following are the results:

First event, miss and out; \$2 entrance—Ogden 5, Macalester 3, Hawkins 0, Howard 3, Sloan 2. Second event, medal shoot and \$5 miss and out handicap—Gent (29yds.), 11; Ogden (27yds.), 10; Macalester (30yds.), 4; Howard (30yds.), 3; Hawkins (30yds.), 3; Tyson (29yds.), 3; Sloan (26yds.), 4. Third event, miss and out, \$2 handicap at above—Gent 15, Ogden 14, Howard 13, Macalester 4, Hawkins 4, Tyson 3, Sloan 2. Fourth event, miss and out, \$2, all standing at 30yds.—Gent 13, Franklin 11, Macalester 12, Hawkins 11, Ogden 9, James 3, Johnson 2, Howard 2, Sloan 2, Collins 2, Jones 1, Tyson 1.

Robinson Won.

"Crit" Robinson, the well-known pigeon shot of San Francisco, defeated Mr. Beresford, an Englishman, in a match at live birds at Monte Carlo, on Jan. 5, by killing 95 out of 100 birds to 91 for his opponent. This is the second match, the first being won by the Englishman, by the score of 85 to 83. The match was for \$500 a side, and Mr. Robinson's score is considered a very fine one for Monte Carlo.

Dates Changed.

The dates of the Buffalo mid-winter shoot at Audubon Park, Buffalo, N. Y., have been changed to January 18, 19 and 20. Live birds and targets and a big shoot guaranteed. The Audubon Club have handled some large tournaments, and knows how to run them. The New York State shoot held under their auspices, was one of the best in the history of that organization.

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- Joseph Thurman won live bird championship, killing 39 out of 40. H. Landis won Parker Handicap. H. Thurman killed 42 straight birds in open sweeps. B. F. Smith won a 25 live bird match.

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BUFFALO AUDUBON CLUB.

E. C. Burkhardt Was the Lucky Shot For the Medal.

Large attendance was the rule at the badge and cup shoots of the Audubon Gun Club, at Buffalo, N. Y., on Dec. 26. Many shooters were in attendance and the shooting was brisk until darkness set in. The weather was all that could be desired at this time of the year, being entirely free from winds or cold. The main object on the programme was the handicap shoot for possession of the silver cup. In this shoot E. C. Burkhardt was the successful member, although tied by Hines, Kelsey and Talsman. In the shoot-off he shot in grand form and won by the narrow margin of one bird from Hines. This is a handicap affair and a poor shooter has an equal chance with his superiors. In the weekly badge shoot "Hanks" won Class A, "Sandy" Class B, and Ald. Zoeller Class C. In a few days C. S. and E. C. Burkhardt will shoot a match at 50 live birds against a crack team from Detroit. Fred Emond has also accepted the challenge of Harry Kirkover to shoot a match at 100 birds per man to decide the championship of Buffalo, the honor won from John Koch by Emond last year. Following are the scores made:

Table with 5 columns: Event No, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5. No. of birds shot at... 10 15 Shoot. Cup Edge. E. C. Burkhardt: 10 11 27 23 14.

HEYER WON THE LINCROFT.

Haywood, Bogardus and Patten One Bird Behind.

Frank E. Heyer, of Colt's Neck, won the Lincroft Handicap shoot at Elkwood Park, Long Branch, N. J., on Jan. 1, with a clean score.

Haywood, Bogardus and Patten all tied for second with one miss. The conditions were ten birds, handicap rise, 60 per cent, to high gun and 40 per cent to second guns. The scores were as follows: F. E. Heyer, 27yds. 21221 11211-10. B. Haywood, 28yds. 21011 1121-9.

Woolley, Daly and Bogardus tied in a second sweep, with five kills. In the third event, a \$5 miss-and-out match, Haywood, Daly, Bogardus and Gibbs tied and divided.

NOW FOR ERIE.

Clover and Pope Will Give the Boys a Dandy Shoot.

A midwinter tournament will be held at Massassauga Point, Erie, Pa., on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, Jan. 12, 13 and 14, by the Erie Gun Club, under the management of Seth Clover and A. P. Pope. Empire traps and targets will be used. Live birds will be shot under handicap from 28 to 33 yards. Targets thrown at unknown angles from known traps. The money will be divided in different proportions in each event, so as to give a variety, and the crack shots cannot win a lion's share. The programme for Jan. 12 is as follows:

- No. 1, 10 targets, \$1; divided 40, 30, 20, 10. No. 2, 10 targets, \$1; divided 35, 30, 20, 15. No. 3, 20 targets, \$1.50; divided 30, 25, 20, 15, 10.

No. 4, 20 targets, \$2; divided 30, 30, 20, 20. No. 5, 20 targets, \$2; divided 35, 30, 20, 15. A small can of Gold Dust powder will be given to each of the 10 high guns below fourth money, and a 5-pound can added to first place.

No. 6, 20 targets, \$2; divided 30, 30, 20, 20. A 1-pound can of King's Smokeless powder will be given to each of the 10 high guns below fourth money.

No. 7, 10 live birds, \$5; divided 40, 30, 20, 10.

SECOND DAY, JANUARY 13.

- No. 8, 10 targets, \$1; divided 40, 30, 20, 10. No. 9, 10 targets, \$1; divided 35, 30, 20, 15. No. 10, 20 targets, \$1.50; divided 30, 25, 20, 15, 10.

No. 11, 20 targets, \$2; divided 35, 30, 20, 15. No. 12, 20 targets, \$2; divided 35, 30, 20, 15.

A 1-pound can of Schultz powder will be given to each of the 10 high guns below fourth place.

No. 13, 20 targets, \$2; divided 35, 30, 20, 15. A 1-pound can of DuPont powder will be given to each of the 10 high guns below fourth place.

No. 14, 10 live birds, \$5; divided 40, 30, 20, 10.

THIRD DAY, JANUARY 14.

No. 15, 25 targets, \$2; divided 35, 30, 20, 15. Merchandise prizes will be added to first, second and third place.

No. 16, team match, any two men belonging to same club; 20 birds, \$4; divided 40, 30, 20, 10. To the first four places will be added some choice merchandise prizes.

No. 17, E. C. Powder Co. live bird event; 20 live birds, \$10; divided 40, 30, 20, 10; \$100 added. To highest score will be given a silver cup, donated by E. C. Powder Co.

The management fully expects at least 50 entries in this event, and everything will be done to make this a great tournament, and all who attend will have a jolly good time.

Philadelphia Rifle Club Shoot.

The Directors of the Philadelphia Rifle Club, elected about a month ago, met at Schuetzen Park, Tabor, Dec. 29, and elected the following officers: President, Henry Haepser; vice president, Jacob Kraemer; treasurer, Bernhard Ernst (in place of Jacob Weber, who was treasurer for 12 years, and who declined re-election); shooting master, Charles Molter; secretary, Henry Eggeling. The following committees were also named: Park—L. P. Kelly, H. C. Wetzel, Jacob Renz and Robert Mayer. House—F. Saechler, F. Orlemann and Justus Koch. Amusement—Charles Seider, Charles Molter, H. Velt and H. Saermilch. Shooting—Messrs. Molter, Seider and Geo. Nass. Bowling—Phillip Hildebrand. After the election there was a dinner, at which about forty-five persons were present. Speeches were made by most of those present.