

"NO TIME."

It will be noticed by the summaries of our Canadian racing events, published in to-day's paper, that a timing watch is not now considered one of the necessities of the judges' stand. This has happened in places where quite good money has been offered. For some reason or other, there appears to be a decided objection among our smaller Associations to attach a time record to their trotting events, and we regret to say the practice is becoming too universal to be treated lightly. It is no mystery that the time record is the only plan of classifying trotting horses, and should the "no time" system come into general use, all the races will have to be made for named horses, or be at the mercy of a few of the speediest in the country. The present records against horses will soon die out—by the sale, death, or withdrawal of the horses from the turf—and then all our horses will be eligible for the slower classes. As it is now, it is very invidious that a horse with a record, on account of this disability, should be excluded from any race in which no record is to be attached. If Associations will not acknowledge the well-known practices of the turf law themselves, they should not respect the penalties imposed on horses through the enforcement of rule to which they give no adherence. This conduct is strangely inconsistent, and not up to the equity that is looked for in promoters of turf events. If the wayward Associations will not recognize the time record as a means of classification, by all means let them adopt a standard of their own and not accept the cuckoo principle of benefiting by the legitimate efforts of others. So long as it is the spirit of our turf practice to attach a time record to horses winning heats or races, it should be respected fully. If objectionable to the interests of racing the mandate should be changed, but so long as the edict is in force, it should have our support.

This "time" question is agitated in the States where the disregard of the injunctions of the National Association is sometimes felt, but by no means to the extent we find in Canada. Sometime ago a proposition was made by a prominent western turfman to have the rule so amended as not to penalize horses with a record or a bar in races where less than \$100 was the purse to be contested for. His plan scarcely attracted any other attention than to be pooh-poohed, but lately there has been a growing disposition in its favour. But if it should be adopted there is no greater guarantee than we have now that it would be any more fully respected than is the present law. When one edict will be broken another will hardly be enforced. A distinguished contemporary says:—It will be a sorry day, when, through a multiplicity of transgressions, the confidence of the public at large in the integrity of track management is undermined. Gentlemen show no favours. Time the horses accurately, and, in every instance, write upon the blackboard the time recorded by the hands of the watch.

ENTRIES CLOSE FOR THE STALLION RACE, TO-MORROW, JUNE 1.

WHO IS THE BREEDER?

A short time ago there was quite a correspondence published in some of the American turf journals, which elicited considerable editorial comment on the question of who should be considered the breeder of a colt—the man who owned the dam at the time she was served by the horse, or the owner of the mare at the time the colt was foaled. In

QUEEN'S PLATE REGULATIONS.

A correspondent at London requests us to publish the regulations under which races for the Queen's Plates are to be conducted. We regret at the late hour his communication came to hand and the limited space at our disposal we are unable to give the full text of the articles, but below will be found a summary which will give the leading features, condensed from the Laws and Practice of Racing by Admiral Rous.

The preamble declares that the rules shall be observed in all contests for Her Majesty's Plates at Newmarket and elsewhere.

WEIGHTS—A schedule of weights is annexed to the Articles by which the impost is to be regulated. In June 8-year-olds, carry 112 lbs; 4 years, 108 lbs; 5 years, 109 lbs; 6 years and aged, 140 lbs.

ENTRY—Every entry shall be properly described with the owner's name, and age, name and pedigree of the horse; and the charge for such entry shall not exceed five shillings.

DISTANCE—Heat racing is not permissible; and the distance shall not be less than two miles.

TIME—The Plates can be run for any time between March 25 and Nov 15, inclusive.

THE TROTTING STALLION STAKE.

Owners of eligible horses will not be likely to forget that the entries for the CANADIAN SPORTING TIMES Trotting Stallion Stake close to-morrow, Saturday June 1. In previous years, there have been laggards who have been too late with their nominations; and consequently lost the opportunity to display their horses merits. Nothing is to be gained by procrastinating in an affair of this kind; the conditions are positive and must be observed. None can claim that sufficient notice has not been given of the date of closing the entries, and in case any one this year is left out in the cold the blame must attach to himself. Next week we will be able to give a list of the nominations which it hoped will be formidable in proportions. Those who have already signified their willingness to join in the Stake under the present conditions are the owners or controllers of Fulton, Capt. Tom, Chestnut Hill, Combination and Ben Morrill. Among the trotting stallions of this country there should be at least as many more. The owner of an eligible horse can not afford to keep him out of this race.

The forfeit money \$50 will have to accompany the nomination, the remaining \$50 being due on September 20. Entries should be full in their particulars, giving name of owner, and name, colour, age, and pedigree so far as known of horse. The full conditions of the race will be found in another column.

OBITUARY

MR. HARRY JAFFRAY, GALT.

Mr. Harry Jaffray of the Galt Reporter, who was drowned on the evening of the 22nd by the distressing accident on the Grand River, was one of the oldest members of the Galt Cricket Club, and was known by the cricketers of Ontario, the western part especially, as a skillful bat; he being considered one of the stand-bys of the club. In 1870 he joined the first Red River expedition under Col. Wolsey, and was a member of No. 2 Co., First Ontario Rifles. In 1871 he returned to Galt, having made the trip from Winnipeg to St. Paul, across the plains, in ox-sled. Deceased was a genial, whole souled man, and was never known, no matter what the provocation, to lose his temper. His untimely death will be regretted by many throughout the Province.

PRESENTATION TO MR. GEORGE FORBES.

The friends of Mr. Geo. Forbes having

and for the many good wishes expressed. The usual loyal and patriotic toasts were duly honored. The toast of the guest of the evening was proposed in highly complimentary terms, and fittingly responded to by Mr. Forbes. Other toasts were proposed and honored, and the pleasant evening's proceedings broke up at a reasonable hour.

ENTRIES CLOSE FOR THE STALLION RACE, TO-MORROW, JUNE 1.

To Correspondents.

(No notice taken of anonymous communications or queries. No answer by mail or telegraph.)

W. M., Barrie.—Your communication received, but too late to publish this week.

J. A. N., Clinton.—Lady Bruce is entitled to second money. Had it been trotting the money should have been divided.

EQUINE, Hamilton.—Big Sandy is a thoroughbred, and a very fashionably bred one at that, being by imported Australian, out of Genevra, by Lexington, 2nd dam by imported Glencoe. He was foaled in 1872. You can see full particulars in Bruce's American Stud Book. Vol. III., page 128. He was quite a good race-horse; we have not room to give his performances.

HARRY, Strathroy.—Among the good Province-breds that never won the Queen's Plate were Emily, Goldfinch, Pilot, Terror, Jim Christie, Lady D'Arcy, Jack Vandal, etc.

A. L., Owen Sound.—Hazor, grey gelding, by Young American, has a record of 2:26. Is this the horse you mean?

G. K., London.—Better than 8:00, but we cannot put our hand on the race. Do not know where he is.

BROO.—Too late for this week. Thanks.

B. Mc.—The address of his owner is York Mills; he is four years old, dark chestnut, about 15:8, by Kondall, he by Alhambra, he by Mambrino Chief, dam by Harper.

ENTRIES CLOSE FOR THE QUEEN'S PLATE, TO-MORROW, JUNE 1.

Correspondence.

FROM CHICAGO.

LICENSING STALLIONS.

To the Editor of the Sporting Times:

SIR,—Your valuable paper occasionally falls in my hands. Your issue of the 17th inst. was kindly sent me by a Canadian friend. Your article on Licensing Stallions I have perused with a great deal of attention, and every man who owns a good stallion I know will cheerfully endorse your sentiments. The article is in the right direction and a sound suggestion. I am somewhat interested in stallions myself, and what little I know of breeding, &c., I fully coincide with your views.

If ever a country was cursed with scrub stallions, with fraudulent pedigrees attached, Canada is the spot. I know whereof I speak, having lived there a large portion of my life, and right in the country, and probably more familiar with that class of horses than yourself. In my days there, it was no uncommon thing to see stallions peddled around from point to point, at \$6 and \$8 to insure. Any sensible man knows that such a paltry sum scarcely pays for their feed, but that is not all. They have to wait till the January following to collect, then possibly a "stand off," or make you believe the mare is not in foal; this latter is not an uncommon occurrence. I like our system here, pay in advance, if the mare does not prove in foal return the following season free; but if you

Sporting Gossip.

BENTON'S SPEED ACCELERATORS.—A sporting papers throughout the United States announce that Wilbur C. Benton, of Brownstown, Indiana, has reduced the price of Accelerators to \$8.00 per pair, or two for \$5.00. These figures place the device within the reach of every road rider, who ought to have it in order to successfully compete with the thousands of gentlemen who are now using it.

Mr Geo. Stevens of Galt, recently the trotting stallion Clear Grit for \$1,250. A match has been made at Oshawa between Lyndes' gray filly, and a full sister Pilot. The race is to take place in about two weeks.

The California nag, Mollie McCarthy, arrived at Chicago, and many turfmen of the city have prophesied in her favor in her work with Ten Broeck. The New York Sportsman says "her entire build denotes staying powers; and from the close race Leonard gave the great horse recently, knowing ones should have a care, and act in so deep that they cannot swim out."

Prof. Woods, the fistic artist, has returned to London, Ont., from California.

Mr. Walter Ford, of Morrisburg, has fourteen horses to Oswego, N.Y., last week. They were all heavy horses and sailed a fine lot.

The net profits of the spring meeting at Lexington, Ky., footed up to over \$100,000, good deal better than racing in Canada.

D. E. Boulton, Esq., of Cobourg, writes us that he has disposed of Lady D'Arcy, the bay colt Kismet, by Hyder Ali, recently advertised in SPORTING TIMES. The considerations were not made public.

Nothing new in the aquatic world. Hanlan-Morris, goes on in the event of its way.

Mr. Wm. Oxendale, the well-known man of Brantford, has recently leased Farmer's Exchange Hotel in that city.

Mr. Alex. Fair, of Watford, recently sold a valuable thoroughbred colt. He was selling him on the track when he bolted against the judge's stand, breaking him.

There is an impression that the Earl of Hanover, who got a record of 2:19 1/2 year, has "gone back," and will not be to reach the same figures this year.

Mr. John W. Quimby, will be at Genesee, N.Y., races, June 4 to 6; Watford, N.Y., the following week; and Syracuse, N.Y., June 18 to 20.

The Toronto Hunt Club closed their season with a meet on the Queen's Birthday. A fine fox was started, and after a spirited the brush was carried off by Mr. J. A. Aldson.

Gentlemen desirous of investing a thoroughbred stock, will bear in mind an auction sale in London, on the track, immediately after the Queen's Plate is mentioned last week, we are instructed say the sale is positive and without reserve.

A meeting will take place at Leprosy Montreal, towards the end of June. Dates will probably be announced next week.

The stallion Ben Morrill, one of the mixed candidates in the SPORTING TIMES showed up at Montreal the other day race with Drummer Boy. He made a heat of the first one.

The old trotter Woodstock (Western) now being handled by Mr. D. M. Rochester, N.Y. He has a record of 2:10 and Denny thinks he will be able to



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DATES CLAIMED FOR 1878.
CANADIAN.

Brussels	July 1 to 2
London (Queen's Plate)	June 5 to 6
Woodbine (match)	June 15
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Moun' Forest	July 1
Orangeville	July 1
Exeter	July 1 to 2
Stallion Race	Oct. —

ENTRIES CLOSE.

Stallion Race	June 1
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AMERICAN.

RUNNING MEETINGS.

Cincinnati, Ohio	May 31 to June 5
New York, A. J. C.	June 1 to 15
Gouverneur, N.Y.	June 4 to 6
St. Louis, Mo.	June 4 to 8
Columbus, Ohio	June 12 to 15
Pittsburg, Pa.	June 19 to 22
Kansas City, Mo.	June 27 to July 4
Denver, Col.	July 3 to 6
Farmington, N. Y.	July to August
New York, A. J. C.	Oct 5 to 19
Baltimore, Md. (Fall)	Oct 28 to 26

TROTTING

Lyons, N.Y.	June 4 to 6
Prophetstown, Ill.	June 4 to 7
Milwaukee, Wis.	June 4 to 7
Adrian, Mich.	June 4 to 7
Kalamazoo, Mich.	June 11 to 17
Grand Rapids, Mich.	June 18 to 21
Akron, Ohio	June 19 to 21
Jackson, Mich.	June 11 to 14
East Saginaw	June 25 to 28
Sodus, N. Y.	June 26 to 28
Batavia, N. Y.	July 2 to 4
Cincinnati, Ohio	July 2 to 5
Detroit, Mich.	July 2 to 5
East Aurora, N. Y.	July 8 to 4
Clyde, N. Y.	July 8 to 5
Warren, Ohio	July 8 to 5
East Saginaw, Mich.	July 9 to 12
Columbus, Ohio	July 9 to 12
Toledo, Ohio	July 16 to 19
Cleveland, Ohio	July 23 to 26
Buffalo, N. Y.	July 30 to Aug 2
Fresport, Ill.	July 30 to Aug 2
Rochester, N. Y.	Aug 6 to 9
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