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DATES CLAIMED FOR 1879.

CANADIAN.

Hamilton Dundas	July 1 to 8 May 24			
ICE RACES.				
Belleville	Feb. 5 to 6			

AMERICAN.

TROTTING

Milwaukee. Wis	June 2 to 6
Chicago III	July 15 to 19
Claveland ()	July 22 to 20
Ruffelo N. Y.	Aug. 5 to c
Rochester, N. Y	Aug. o to c
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HIPPODROMING.

One of the greatest obstacles, if not the

greatest, to the success of the different sports

in America is the practice of hippodroming which has come so much in vogue during the past few years. If affairs conducted in this way were announced under their true titles as exhibitions pure and simple, the impression they would leave would not be to disastrons to the genuine article. The hippodroming business has entered juto all varisties of sport, and has been the bane of anything it touched. The general public are not too well informed on the minutiae of sporting matters, and when popular men or horses are announced to come together for fabulous stakes and under extraordinary circumstances, people are inclined to take everything on its prima facie appearance and never suspect that all the arrangements have been concluded sub rosa. resotion caused when this fact becomes known, is extremely prejudicial to the welfare of legitimate affairs. Pedestrianism has been run into the ground by this vile custom, as the recent walk in New York between O'Leary and Campana too evidently shows, since its completion. A match arranged in good faith between the best men in the world would not now draw the crowd that this miserable fraud on a confiding public attracted. A similarly concocted scheme in this city on Christmas met its proper fate, thanks to the exposure of the affair in these columns. Horse racing has suffered terribly in this country from the imputation that the contosts were not always on their merits, and it will take the best kind of management in the future to restore that confidence in turf matters that they formerly enjoyed. Aquatics have come in for their share of condemnation, and not without cause, for the in-andout rowing in Canada the past season was too apparent to escape the notice of the most casual observer, and this feeling of non-confidence was heightened into one of disgust by the management and curroundings of the race at Lachine. Looking over the horizon or sporting matters it will be seen that in the sphere of professional affairs there is scarcely one that has escaped the hippodromic fever and its all but fatal consequences. The remedy is as much in the hands of the principals as the condemnation is in the public-If professionals wish to see their sports flourish they must not kill the goose that lays the golden eggs. In fable we are informed this experiment was practically tried, and without the most flattering success on the part of the controlling power. A good name is a power of strength, and in no part of life is this more true than in the arena of sport. Once allow either the sport or the individual to become contaminated with suspicion and the evil is accomplished almost beyond redemption. Over and over again the public have spoken emphatically on this subject; their warnings have not been respected, and imposition upon imposition has been foisted on them until they groun beneath the weight of their burdens, and pray to be relieved from the meubus of hippodroming, which is surely crushing out all classes of protessional

THINGS REQUIRED.

It is never too late to repair an injury or correct an error. It is now over two weeks since the Globe made the charge that theexposure of the misdoings of the Haulan Club now claim they knew how some of the races | beaten by Mercy by a neck; in the next try were to turn out long before they took place. Trovador made all the running and won. With such knowledge as this it would have The Cosmos, two miles, was won after a been very impolitic to have had a disagree- | very fine race by the English horse Eclaireur, ment with the Club, or provoke a quarrel in any way. They had the benefit of the Club's by Mortemer. 4 years, 146 lbs., and two labors without assuming any of the respondothers, both English bred. Eclairent was

Although a week has passed since an explanation was asked respecting the \$2.000 alleged to have been paid to Courtney, nothing has appeared. This is a question that Hanlan can himself at once set at rest. He on Courtney's behalf, while Courtney d. clares he has never received a dollar of it. It has been represented in the Hanlau Club that but to the surprise of every one the mare the money was paid over. If there is an unfounded impression that Haulan paid the \$2,000 to some persons to hand over to mission and retained the money, it should be disabused, on the word of the champion himself. There is no one who would think it an having just previously won the Paninsular, honor to labor under such an imputation. It has now resolved itself into a question of fact between the parties to the contract, and for the credit of all concorned an explanation which will set the matter at rest is reanired.

The Toronto correspondent of the Hamilton Times says a meeting of the Hanlan Club was recently held, at which it was determined to assess the members \$250 each to form a fund to send the ch mpion to England. The correspondent is known to be well informed on the doings of the Club, and his information is supposed to be obtained from the fountain head. Singular in this case, however, no such meeting was held, and consequently no such assessment was made. It is possible it is the foreshadowing of the policy of the leaders of the Club, who took this means of declaring themselves without giving it publicity in the city. If that is the manner in which the money is to be raised, it will be seen in due time that our statement of last week, that the Hanlan Club of 1879 would be widely different from that which carried the champion through the past year, is not so wide of the fact.

WINTER PROGRAMMES.

It is a subject worthy the consideration of the managers of our winter races, to see that they do not run fool of other clubs in selecting their dates. There is nothing to begained by the hurry-up method of giving races; they should have benefit of due publicity. If this were done in all cases there would be fewer failures to report. Where meetings are only announced a few days, comparatively, in advance, it gives them the appearance of being simply "snaps" got up for the benefit of somebody or made in the interest of particular horses, and consequently they do not beat her by a length, each carrying 131 lbs. occupy that share of public attention that is desired. As soon as the time is selected, the, in New Zealand than in Canada, they having fact should immediately be communicated had no less than 147 race meetings last in our columns, thus advising other clubs \$182,000.—TRAMP. and as far as possible preventing clashing, which is always sure to result disastrously to one or the other, or both.

TRAMP'S GOSSIP.

Nothing very remarkable in English racing if we except the victory of Marshal Neil, was due to the jealousy of a few outside gen- 4 year-old, with 140 lbs. up, in the Sandown 2:141. The proposed match between him tlemen that that raper was ungracious enough steeplechase-4 miles-leading seven others, and Hopeful is "off" until next season any to stigmatize as "crocked camblers." This in 9m. 2s. Carthusian by Bead.

olub. They invested their money on a sure count of a false start; the first time Trovathing, and it is no secret that many of them |dor waited, and, after a severe race, was in Canada last winter during the by Dollar, 6 years, 176 lbs., beating Pagnolle, ridden by a Spanish jockey called Adogo, and lost thirty lengths at the start. Pagnolle had young Jennings up, a nephew of the celebrated Tom Jennings. The Omnium, two miles, went to the Spanish and English horse, Petit Vere, by Eau de Vie, with 169 knows if he paid the money over to any one lbs. up. On the second day Pagnolle and possibly have been niade. Ectaireur met again, this time with the weights much more in favour of the horse, won. Pagnolle carried 151 lbs. and Eclaireur 9th and 10th inst. 160 lbs., same jockeys and same distance. Pagnolle also carried off the handicap of Courtney, and they failed to lischarge their \$1,000, 12 miles, carrying 140 lbs., beating Ogdensburg, N.Y., with their own. I Trovador, 128 lbs., and four others, including Petit Verre; Trovador, with 140 up, 14 miles, beating Petit Verre and four others.

Mr. Davies, the owner of Troyndor, not thinking, I suppose, that his colt had had enough of it, started him in the next race, a mile handicap, when, with 180 lbs. on his alley is a model of its kind, has all back, he tried to give 80 lbs. to Mercy, same age, and got beaten by three lengths.

In India, at Dehra, the Doon steeplechase, two miles, ended in a dead heat between Telegram and Kilmore, with the respective weights of 161 lbs. and 144 lbs. 6 ran; time, 5 min. 11 sec. The Landown Purse for Arabs and country-breds was won by Waldon (who has been previously chronicied as a winner), leading 6 others by three lengths in 4 min. I sec.; distance 11 miles; and a ‡ mile race was carried off by Yanathan, 151 lbs. in 1:27; 5 ran.

In aquatics the principal events have been the defeat of Bullman by Spancer on the Thames, and the victory of Forster over Stewart on the Tyne. In the former race Bullman seemed to be winning so easily that one gentleman offered to bet \$500 to a box of cough lozenges on him, an offer which, luckily for him, was not accepted.

From India comes more news of racing, this time at Rangoon and Sonepore. At the former place the bay Australian mare Fieldfare won both the Derbingah Cup, 2 miles, and the Civilians Cup, 1m. 5 for.; and the grey Arab horse Cardigan, with 140 lbs. up, landed the Hulwah Cup, 2 miles, for Arabs' beating four others; but at Sc spore he suffered defeat in the Derby by the Arab horse Saracen.

Fieldfare added to her winning score by carrying off the Bellish Cup, 1 mile, beating the Australian horse Kingcraft and two others by half a length in 1m. 48s., but next day had the tables turned on her by Kingcraft in the Hajepore Stakes, 12 miles, ashe

Rucing seems to thrive a great deal better to this office, and the date will be registered season, and the amount of added money was

Sporting Gossip.

Rarus has been astounding the Californians again. At Oakland Park, San Francisco, on the 21st ult., he trotted his first mile in 2:14; and then repeated, with a running horse, in

Mr. David Muckle, of Lexington, Ky., races, has in his stable the trotters Lew and John H., and the pacer Sleepy Ge A knitting factory is soon to be start

Dundas, Ont. There's millions in knit. Mr. Pierre Lorillard is not meeting the best of luck with his horses in Engi

The Duka of Magenta, the hope of the st has gone all wrong, and it is doubtful will ever be able to start again. Among the militia appointments gaz

on Saturday is that of Mr. A. O. F. Cole of Ottawa, as Veterinary Surgeon t Dragoon Guards. No better selection

"Put not not your trust in kings." aces and a jack will skin them every tir Ice races will be held at Napanee

The Ottawa people are trying to get circuit of winter races taking in Potsdan probably be known by next week if th gotiations are successfully concluded.

Mr. Frank Martin, the popular horse and proprietor of the Turf Club House King Street west, has recently increase attractions of the house by the addition aplendid bowling alley of four beds. latest improvements, and was constru under Frank's personal supervision.

OTTAWA RACES.

The fourth annual meeting of the O Winter Trotting Club will take place in February, about the time of the openi Parliament. It is proposed to give it neighborhood of \$1,700 in purses, divid a programme that will extend over four The classes are as follows:-2:40, 2:37, 2:82, 2:80, 2:27, free for-all, five-mile da all horses, and a local trot. The pren run from \$150 to \$800. Ottawa has ob an enviable notoriety for its winter r and well deserves the appellation of Buffalo of Canada for Winter Trot More than ordinary efforts are to be this year—a new track will probabl selected of easier access to the city nothing will be left undone that can i way contribute to its success. As so the dates are positively settled apon w be able to publish the full programme, it is needless to remark will be an in

EDITORIAL NOTES.

While Canada has devoted consider sums annually to pisciculture, the States have not been lagging in their to replenish the lakes and rivers wi more valuable kinds of fish. The fish ers are now in full operation. From fifteen million whitefish will be dumpe Detroit river next spring from the Am side, while the Dominion establishme contribute about twenty millions. Tw lion trout will also be placed in the from the American side. Wisconsin turn adrift four million lake trout at million whitefish. At Madison half a lion brook trout eggs have been taken, from that hatchery 150,000 California si will be set affoat on the inland lake rivers of Wisconsin. At the State had in Iowa, 100,000 California trout have placed in the rivers. The different are devoting much attention to fish bres and with the assistance of the Canadian tablishments the supply in the lake doubtless continue to be abundant.