

Brampton	11 to 12
Chatham, Ont.	12 to 14
Terre Haute, Ind.	12 to 15
Carleton Park, Toronto	15 to 16
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Baltimore, Md.	20 to 22

#### ENTRIES CLOSE.

Brampton	Oct. 9
Chatham	" 9
Carleton	" 11
Woodbine	" 18

### ATTENTION.

Horsemen will bear in mind that the entries for the following Races close as follows:

CHATHAM, SATURDAY, 9th INST.

BRAMPTON, SATURDAY, 9th INST.

CARLETON PARK, TORONTO, MONDAY, 11th INST.

WOODBINE PARK, TORONTO, WEDNESDAY, 18th INST.

#### WHAT IS A PROVINCE BRED?

A strong argument for the formation of a Canadian Turf Association and the establishment of a Board of Appeals for the purpose of settling disputed Turf matters, is brought forward in the case of Alice Pool the well-known western race mare. The facts of the case as they have come to our knowledge are as follows: At the Simcoe, Ont., Races in August last there was a Province bred purse to be run for, and among the entries were Alice Pool and Brown Dick. The former won the race and her eligibility was protested by the owner of the latter on the ground of not being a Province bred. The Club, as in duty bound, withheld payment of the purse until such time as the question should be decided. The owner of the mare has forwarded affidavits of Messrs. A. L. and H. Chappell to the Simcoe Club to the effect that the dam of Alice Pool was taken from Detroit to Canada, and there the mare in question was foaled. This action on their part they say was done "for the express purpose of making the filly Province bred." This is the spirit of the evidence, and it now remains with the Simcoe Club to adjudicate upon the matter. If there had been a higher authority to whom an appeal could be made, or if a Province bred had been qualified in the Dominion Rules, the question could easily have been settled, but as it is, it is doubtful if other Clubs will accept the ruling of our Simcoe friends as a precedent, no matter what it may be.

That the mare was bred in Canada within the letter of the term is difficult to deny, but that her being simply foaled in Canada for the express purpose of being made a Province bred, fills the condition, which the term is meant to imply in its fullest extent, very few will admit. It is working to the letter of the law while evading its spirit, and as it is purely a subterfuge to obtain a benefit to which the breeding *de facto* would not entitle the mare, should be discountenanced. Upon the same principle if a thoroughbred Southern mare were to foal while in railway transit through Canada the progeny would be entitled to the privileges of a Province bred. This would hardly be admitted, but under the present system of conducting racing in Canada it would be the business of each Association before whom the question was brought up to decide it.

The prime object of giving allowances to Province bred is to encourage our native breeders, but if such sharp practice as the Alice Pool case has disclosed was permitted, the good intentions would be lost. True, an allowance is absolutely necessary for our

interest to them; but we are aware of more than one instance, where they have lived to regret their folly or their ignorance. We notice by the posters of the Kingston Races it is publicly announced that the time will be suppressed—the Association thus directly abetting an illegal proceeding. It was hoped there was no Club in this country that would go to the length of thus publicly inviting the fly into the web. The record of trotting under suppression will attach to the horses engaged in these races, and may possibly come back on them at a time when it is least expected. From the names of the Judges, it is possible to hope, the conditions were so amended as to make the races legal throughout. With the decision of the Board of Appeals in the J. H. Boyle case to guide them, wherein it was laid down as a rule that suppression on any track was a bar, it would not only be a duty they owed to themselves but also to the horse owners to see that the contests were lawfully conducted.

#### DEATH OF AMERICAN GIRL.

Within comparatively a short time there has been a large percentage of mortality among the faster class of trotting horses. It is only a short time since the turf lost two of its most promising ones by the death of Glister and Camors in California, and to-day we have to chronicle the death of the widely known trotting mare American Girl, which event occurred in the first heat at Elmira, N. Y., last Saturday afternoon, while she was engaged in the free-for-all race with Carrie, Huntress, and Annie Collins. After scoring about a dozen times, they were sent off, American Girl taking the lead for about an eighth of a mile, when her driver, John L. Doty, noticed her wavering in her stride, and giving her the bit, the mare, contrary to her manner, commenced to slacken her speed, and when she got to the quarter pole fell, struck her head against the fence, and was dead in an instant. A singular circumstance in the matter is that from the grand stand a rainbow could be seen, (it had been drizzling rain) the end of which appeared to rest upon the dead horse. The probable cause of her death as shown by the post-mortem examination is stated to have been over-exertion while apparently recovered from the epizootic. The lungs were found in a congested condition, being greatly distended with blood, which had caused a suspension of breathing and consequently almost instant death.

American Girl was a bay mare, fully sixteen hands or over in height, rather angularly built, and with a plenitude of bone in her hind legs. She was foaled about 1862, and was sired by Cassius M. Clay, Jr., her dam being unknown but supposed to be a thoroughbred mare. She commenced trotting early. Her best record was 2:16½, at Albany, N. Y., when she beat Camors. During the season of 1874 she trotted 81 heats better than 30 over all kinds of tracks. Her owner, Mr. William Lovell of New York, valued her at \$25,000, and as often refused \$20,000 for her. She has campaigned all over the country, and next to Goldsmith Maid, was the best known of our American trotting horses. She was always a dangerous customer in a race, being very speedy and strong. The turf, in her death, loses one of its great attractions.

The Elmira Driving Park Association purpose to erect a \$1,000 monument to her memory. Subscriptions were taken upon the track to the amount of \$700 for that purpose, and doubtless the balance has been supplied ere this.

Drummer Boy beat Village Girl at Montreal on Sept. 29th. Harry Bradley drove the winner.

this week.

Col. William H. Johnson has sold to Mr. A. L. Chappell, of Detroit, Mich., the grey colt Greysteel, three years old, by Vandal, dam Carolin, by imp. Seythian.

There are strong talks of a meeting to revise the Dominion Turf Rules and appoint a central Board of Appeals in connection with a Canadian Association of Turf Clubs. It can't be done too soon.

There will be an allowance at Carlton of six pounds to foreign bred horses wintered in Canada.

#### TO CORRESPONDENTS.

ENQUIRER, London.—We cannot answer your questions without further information from you as to the ownership and the breeding claimed. There have been several horses of that name thoroughbred, and to identify the one you mean further particulars are necessary. There are about a dozen mares of that name in the Stud Book.

B. C., Harley.—We cannot assist you. Have made all the enquiries possible.

#### THE EPIZOOTIC.

Within the last week or so, the well-known "horse disease" or epizootic has become quite prevalent among the stables in this city. This was anticipated from the rapid spread of the epidemic among the equine race in the States. The present appears to be much milder than that with which the country was afflicted a short time ago. The symptoms are not strongly marked as on the former occasion and the mortality and inconvenience will, in all probability, not be so great. In the eastern cities such has been the experience, and there is no reason why it should not be repeated in Canada. With care the disease passes away in a few days, but leaves the animal weak, and predisposed to inflammation when overworked or driven. The following extracts which are clipped from the New York sporting papers contain the treatment as recommended by some of the best "vets" in the United States, and we reproduce them for the benefit of our readers who may have horses suffering from the disorder. The first is from the *Turf, Field and Farm* and contains an interesting description of the disease, its causes, and treatment:—

"The great epizootic excitement aroused again by several of our news journal, the columns of which filled with sensational twaddle, ostensibly for the purpose of another causeless scare among horsemen, and to further enable the quacks to make gainful markets from the credulity of our horse-owners and make profitable sales of their quack nostrums. For the general benefit of all who may own an invaluable animal, and bearing the nomenclature of a horse, we advise you not to scare worth a cent. We will give you an accurate diagnosis of this affection, with the physiology of the organs affected and a correct pathology of this disease, and we will prescribe an efficacious treatment for it. This disease, that is at the present time prevailing in many localities and also in the stables in this city and vicinity, is nothing more or less than acute bronchitis. The seat of this disease in its incipient stage is the bronchia, or wind-pipe. This organ before it enters the lungs divides into two tubes, one of which enters the right portion of the lungs and the other the left portion. These two cartilaginous tubes are termed bronchia. On entering the lungs the bronchia divide into a number of smaller tubes, which still divide until they become invisible. The terminations of the bronchial vessels form the air-cells of the lungs. The inside of the bronchial tubes are filled with little minute glands which secrete a mucous. The bronchia is the seat of the disease diagnosed bronchitis, or an active inflammation of the bronchia. It is the seat of the cough with which our horses are, at present time afflicted. The bronchia, being composed of cartilage, like the

If the throat is sore and causes distress to the patient in raising his head to give the drench, steam his head in the following manner and by means of a nose-bag: Take 4 quarts of bran and 6 ounces of bruised linseed meal, pour boiling water upon these, and after thoroughly mixing, put the mash in the nose-bag and hang it on the patient's head; steam twice a day. Place on top of each mash, not stirring it into it, a powder composed of powdered gentian and Jamaica ginger, of each one large tablespoonful: powdered nitre, 2 drachms, and tartar emetic, 1 drachm. This will be all the treatment necessary to totally remove the difficulty.—EDWARD S. SMITH, E. V. S."

The following is the treatment recommended by Wilkes in an answer to a correspondent:—

In the treatment of distemper, which is prevailing in so many parts of the country, depletory measures must be avoided. The diet at the outset should be light, easy of digestion, and limited in quantity, with hay, t-n, oatmeal gruel, or linseed mucilage to drink. Attention to the surface of the body is important. In cold weather woollen bandages and blankets should be applied. Medicines may be employed with a view to palliation and cure. If the fever be moderate, half an ounce of nitre in a mash, or dissolved in the drinking water may be useful. In cases where the prostration is great, diffusible stimulants, in combination with vegetable tonics, say carbonate of ammonia, two drachms; gentian and Colombo, of each three drachms, made into a ball with syrup, may be given twice, or even three times, daily. The iodide of potassium is sometimes an excellent remedy, particularly in cases marked by a tendency to dropsy; the chlorate of potassa is also sometimes very efficacious.

#### BILLIARDS.

There has probably never been a time when there was such a demand for billiard tables as the present. The well-known manufacturers, Messrs. Riley and May, of this city, have within a short time disposed of the following lots:—Three tables to Mr. Sparling, of Dunnville; three to Mr. Jacques, of Cobourg, and three to our young friend Mr. Halloran, 6 Richmond street, east, in this city. It is satisfactory thus not only to find that there is an increased interest taken in the game, but purchasers are assured by dealing with Messrs. Riley & May that they obtain an A No. 1 article at a price that meets with no competition. During the incoming season the firm have a number of other rooms to furnish and refit, and it is a pleasant guarantee to them of the excellence of their work that their tables are so highly appreciated.

#### OGDENSBURG RACES.

The Ogdensburg Races commenced on Tuesday, 28th ult., and were witnessed by a very large number of spectators. The race committee, especially Mr. W. H. Daniels, exerted themselves to their utmost to have everything pass off all O. K. The track was good but rather slow as the time of the various races will show. On account of wet weather Wednesday's races, after the Hurdle Race, had to be adjourned until Thursday, which consequently threw the latter day's programme over to Friday. The free-for-all Trotting which it was supposed would have been the feature of the meeting, lost much of its interest from the illness of York State, whose sickness developed on the track to such an extent that he could hardly trot at all. The western men backed him pretty well, and consequently came out at the small end of the horn, the grey gelding Joe Brown, the speedy ice horse, getting away with the trick handily enough. Rather a remarkable circumstance in connection with the Races was the large number of Canadian running horses that were entered. The following are the summaries of the contests:—

Ogdensburg, Sept. 28.—Trotting, 2:50 class.—

Best time—2:51.

Running, mile heats, 2 in 3. Weight for age. \$165 to first, 60 to second.

John Forbes, ch h Vicksburg. - 1 1  
Dr Smith, br m Inspiration. - 2 2

Time—1:55½, 2:00.

October 1.—Trotting, open to all, mile heats, 3 in 5, in harness. \$350 to first, 150 to second, 50 to third.

Dan Jenkins, g s Joe Brown. - 1 1 1  
G Forbes, b g York State. - 3 2 2  
T Ives, ch g Lew Ives. - 2 3 3  
H W Brown, b g Decoit. - 4 4 4

Best time—2:39.

Running—One and a quarter mile heats, 2 in 3; weight for age. \$275 to first, 75 to second. Winner of the mile heat race to carry seven pounds extra.

John Forbes, ch h Vicksburg. - 1 1  
Dr Smith, br m Inspiration. - 2 2  
E F R Wells, ch h Vespuclus. - 4 3  
James Lanning, br g Maratime, 3 years, by Jack Lane, dam by imp Saladin. - 3 4

Time—2:20½, 2:19½.

Steeple Chase—about Two and a half miles, handicap. \$250 to first, 75 to second, 25 to third.

Fisher & Carson, ch m Katie P. - 1  
J T Blanchard, g m Lilly. - 2  
Paul Woods, ch h Prince Edward. - 3  
A H Heuey, b g Jack on the Green. - 0  
Jas Connelly, ch a King Tom. - 0  
M Flynn, br s Claret, aged, by Reporter, dam Seven Oaks. - 0  
A H Coleman, ch c, 3 years, by Enquirer, dam Leisure. - 0

No time.

### CANADIAN TURF.

RACING AT ST. JOHN, N. B.

MOOREBATH PARK, Sept. 28.—Purse \$150, for horses that have never beaten 8:00; \$75 to first, 50 to second, 25 to third; mile heats, 3 in 5, in harness.

C W Bell b m Nellie Thorne. .... 1 1 2 1  
J B P Wheelden b m Sunrise. .... 2 2 1 2  
T Gregory b m Rose. .... 3 3 3 3  
D M Avery b m Kingston Girl. .... dis  
N Campbell b m Kingston Girl. .... r o  
W T Covil b g Vanity. .... r o

Time—2:47, 2:48, 2:47, 2:46½.

Same Day.—Purse \$150, for horses that have never beaten 2:40; \$75 to first, 50 to second, 25 to third; mile heats, 3 in 5, in harness.

J E Burnham b g Baker Boy. .... 2 1 2 1 1  
F Sparrows m Hattie. .... 1 2 3 2 2  
J M Brine g m Emily. .... 3 1 3 3 3

Time—2:47, 2:49, 2:49½, 2:46½, 2:48½.

Same Day.—Purse 100, running, mile heats. W B Phair Sussex Lass. .... 1 1  
H M Monagle Sambo. .... 4 2  
D Teernan Bella. .... 3 3  
J A Bewes Wanderer. .... 2 dr  
Gaunce & Russell Flora. .... dis

Time—2:00, 2:01.

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#### FERGUS FALL RACES.

The fall meeting of the Fergus Driving Park Association opened on Wednesday afternoon, 29th ult., and although the weather was very unpropitious there was a fair attendance and excellent sport. As will be seen by the entries below, a number of fast horses were there.

FERGUS, ONT., DRIVING PARK, Sept. 30.—\$100 Trotting. Open to all horses that have never beaten 3 minutes, mile heats, 3 in 5. \$60 to first, 25 to second, 15 to third.

Mr Nichol, br g King John. - 1 1 1  
W Richardson, br g Startle. - 3 2 3  
C Lowell b s George Brown. - 4 4 2  
E J O'Callaghan, br g Arthur Boy. - 2 3 dr

Time—2:43, 2:58½, 2:58½.

Arthur Boy was suffering from the epizootic, and was drawn after the second heat.

\$125, Running, open to all Dominion bred horses, mile heats, 2 in 3, \$75 to first, 35 to second, 15 to third.

Dr. Morton, ch m Goldfinch, 6 years, by Harper. - 1 2 1  
Mr Meredith, br m Galvanter, 5 years, by Somersault, dam unknown. - 3 1 2  
F Lowell, br g Gil D Roy, by Gilroy, dam by Epsilon. - 2 3 3  
P Gilmartin, g s Dan Donnelly. - dis  
L Nelson, br m Jenny Slammerkin. - dis

No time.

\$175, Trotting, open to all horses, mile heats, 3 in 5. \$100 to first, 50 to second, 25 to third.

Jas Daly, b g Vanderbilt. - 1 1 1  
A Porteous, b g Little Sam. - 2 2 2