Sporting.

Cupid sees it. Starts to sing ; James invests in Diamong ring.

Theatres, balls and Country jaunting; Shady nooks till Midnight haunting

James buys tables, chairs And bedding: Friends invited— Stylish wedding.

Baby comes, and Yells like blazes James goes crazy Plays the races.

James gets busted; Mourns for cash; Dies of laudanum Settles hash.

NOTES.

What sporting interest is alive in Ontario is just now centred on the struggle for the Rugby football championship between the Queen's, of Kingston, and the Hamilton Tigers. Queen's won the first match on Saturday by 19 to 10, but they did it by virtue of superior weight on a field that was a sea of water and mud. On hard ground there may be a different story to tell. On the same day Ottawa Cofflege defeated Montreal 14 to 11, for the Quebec championship. The match between the Ottawa representatives and the winners of the Kingston-Hamilton series will be interesting.

THE week has seen another fiasco in trotting circles—the match between the two great pacers, Robert J. and John R. Gentry, at Philadelphia. The stallion was too lame to go and was withdrawn at the end of two slow heats, when the gelding went out and did the circuit in 2.06, lowering the track record by two seconds. Gentry should never have been started and his owners knew it, and so did the crowd after they had paid their good dollars. The long and short of it is this, that it was a skin game to draw a

It is a pity that the end of a great season should have been marred by these failures and the Alix-Directum fraud. Of this latter the statement now made is that Salisbury was guaranteed \$4,000 to bring the mare to Mystic Park, and start, while the promoters kept all they made over that amount. It was a nice scheme.

Well, the season is over, both for sulky and saddle. There is a trotting meeting at Dallas, Texas, yet to come, and the "skates" are still galloping around the southern tracks, but the good horses are all in winter quarters. Let us hope for a good year in 1895.

talk about the O.J.C. trouble as some of suet.

let it rest. Mr. Patteson, Mr. Torrance and Mr. Mead have retired. That is to be regretted for they were all good men. But the new directors, Robert Davies, Hon. Senator Ferguson, D. W. Alexander, Geo. Gooderham and Wm. Christie, are also good men and will be workers. The new second vice-president especially is no novice, and will be a decided addition to the working strength of the club-Better all, unite in an effort to make next year's meet a greater success than ever than grumble about what is past.

THE Hamilton Jockey Club is in good shape. The annual meeting was held on Monday, and all the reports were satisfactory. The old board of directors were re-elected: J. M. Lottridge, J. J. Stuart, Geo. Roach, W. Hendrie, jun., Geo. E. Tuckett, J. S. Hendrie and Robert Thomson. A. D. Stewart was re-elected as secretary. The directors will meet in a few days to elect officers.

THE sale of trotting stock at Madison Source Garden, New York, last week, shows that prices have come down most materially from the boom figures of a couple of years ago. On the first day the bay stallion Regal Wilkes, the star of the sale, was purchased by J. F. Callo way, of Louisville, Ky., for \$2,725. Mr. Shults, only two years ago, paid \$13, 000 to own him. Baron Rose, a hand some looking animal, sold for \$700, which was 87,200 less than was paid for him by the seller. Pandect cost 86,500 as a yearling and went for \$710. Robert Steel's consignment consisted of twentyone head, which sold for a total of \$4,935, an average of \$235 per head. Isaac V. Baker, jr.'s lot of twelve head brought \$1,510, an average of \$125.80 per head. Thirty-three head, the property of J. H. Shults, sold lor a total of \$13,090, an average of \$396.66. On the following day a Michigan stud worth two years ago \$250,000, sold for less than \$50,000. These figures are sufficient to indicate that prices have come down to a normal level to say the least.

The last issue of the American Sports man contains an excellent portrait of our own Uncle Charlie Brown, whom it describes as "one of the leading admirers of trotters in Toronto." We guess it is about right, and moreover it might have added "the man who holds the world's record for greatest number of heats started in two hours and a half, made at Toronto Exhibition in September, 1894.

FROM PROFESSIONAL STAND-POINT.

Young mother (whose baby has been weighed by the butcher)—"And how much does the little fellow weigh, Mr. Bullwinkle ?

Butcher-" Twenty pounds, mum. Young mother-"Isn't he a splendid

What is the sense of keeping up the prints of view, mum, he runs too much to

the papers are doing. The thing is over, COLT TROTTERS IN CALIFORNIA

The performances of the colt trotters in California so far this year have been very meritorious, when it is taken into consideration that the tracks they trot over are used generally one day for run-ning and the next for trotting. It is a very rare occurrence for the trotters to have track within two seconds as fast as any god track in the east. The most credit able performance by a colt this year is that of the yearling Adbell, 2:23, by Adthat of the yearling Adbell, 2725, by Advertiser, 2.154, Dam Beautiful Bells, by the Moor. His first race was at San Francisco, August 17, where he won the yearling free-for-all, trotting the mile in 2.28. His next start was at Petaluma, August 23, where he won, going an easy mile in 2:39¹. At Woodland, August 27, he again won the free-for-all yearling race, trotting the mile in 2:26, first half in 1:15, last half in 1:11, and gained the world's race record for an entire colt, re lucing Athadon's mark of 2:27 one second Having no engagements either at Sacramento or Stockton, and the tracks being used for both runners and trotters, was only exhibited through the stretches at these points. At San Jose, Friday, September 28, he was started to beat his september 28, he was started to beat his record of 2:26, and won, trotting a very even mile in 2:23, the world's yearling record. It is possible for this colt to trot a mile in 2:20; he has shown eighths in 17 conds—a 2:16 gait. He combines the qualities of the first-class racehorse, headed, game and wants to race.

The best two year-old so far on the circuit this year is the chestnut filly La eitent this year is the chestinut miy La Belle, 2:16f, second heat. She is by Sydney, dam Anna Belle, by Daan; sec-ond dam by Hubberd, son of Planet. This is a truly remarkable filly. She has a wonderful burst of speed, showing a half mile in a race in 1.96, and over such haif mile in a race in 1.96, and over such a track as Terre Haute or Galesburg would, without doubt, go a mile close to the two-year-old record of Arion, 2:102. Her best performance was at Stockte September 17, where, trotting out two widths from the pole, the track being torn up on the inside for runners, she de-feated the great colt Athania, by Junio, in 2:18½, 2:164, the best two-year-old race ever trotted. The best three-year-old of ever trotted. The best three-year-old of the year so far is the unbeaten Aria, 2:162, third heat. She is by Bernal, 2:17, son of Electioneer, dam Ashby by General Benton, second dam Ashland, by Ashland, neuton, second dam asmand, by Asmand, son of imp. Glence. She began racing an Petaluma, August 25, where she be-feated a field of eight good three-year-olds in 2.18], 2.17; 2.16; the best three-year-old race ever trotted in California. At Woodland, September 1, she was again victorious in the free-for-all three-yearolds, trotting in 2:181, 2:20, 2:19. At Sacramento, September 6, Aria won the Occident stake, having an easy race, 2:271, 2:29, 2:31½. At the same place September 2.20, 2.312. At the same place September 11, she again won the three-year-old free-for-all. Losing the first heat in 2.20, she won the next three in 2.17½, 2.18½, 2.21, going to the half in the third heat in 1.05, and finishing the mile in a jog. black filly, by Gossiper, has trotted the fastest mile for a three-year-old in Cal-ifornia, and it is the race record for the coast, 2:16. She has a fine way of going, is level headed, and is capable of beating her record. There are other three-year olds that have shown that they are entitled to rank with the first division, several of them having, when beaten, been close up, and again won heats in the fastest races for three-year-olds, Visalia, by Iris, son of Eros, winning a good race from a field of thirteen more than ordinary three-year-olds in 2:23, 2:21 $\frac{1}{6}$, 2:24 $\frac{1}{2}$ 2:20 $\frac{1}{6}$, though losing the third heat. A Sacramentoshe reduced her record to 2:20, and was second in 2:17½, 2:18¾. This filly has a phenomenal burst of speed, in

a third heat she trotted the last half in 1.942. Rio Alto has shown that he is made of the right material to race. It is by Palo Alto, 2.982, dam Elsie, ly General Benton; second dam Elaine, 220 half sister to Electioneer. Rio Alto am the richest stake in California, the State Fair Futurity, worth \$5,000. in straight heats, 2:21½, 2:21½, 2:20½. He has farther engagements at the fall acceting a the Pacific Coast Trotting Horse Breeden Association, and before the season is en ded he will add more laurels wreath that encircles the memory of it dead queen, Green Mountain Maid, i

A DOUBLE CROSS.

In the Time When They Used to Trot Ten Mile Races.

It is nearly thirty-five years since I for went into a judges stand as on three magistrates of a turf event. some time in March, 1859, and the co tending horses were there to go their a ond ten mile race within twenty-These were two matches for 8 a side, play or pay, the contestants be the grey gelding, Glen Chief, who was all appearances a thoroughbred and it was claimed at the time was by Gray Eagle, the great rival Wagner, out of a Glencoe mare. other was the famous bay mare, Prin subsequently celebrated as the conquer of Flora Temple, and now world-renor as the dam of Happy Medium. It is necessary to go back a little to view the circumstances that led up to

Princess had been brought

Andrew J. Daniels in the fall of when she beat Trade Wind and Pr in 2.36 or thereabouts. She then up to the State Fair where she Barton, and was beaten by New Yo On the return to San Francisco atra lar race between those two geldings Princess was arranged for \$500 as the track to add \$500, making \$2,00 all. The day was a perfect one, October, but the track was ver Betting was one hundred to sixty on York, against either of the oth even against the field. The horses t called, and Jim Barton being quite permission was given to draw setting closed at 100 to 40 on when they were called in. first heat on sufferance in 2.32, but i second heat just as Princess was m up to him at the half-mile post consternation of the talent, she brok they took a long breath again head of the stretch she was not five lengths astern when Andy br her up with such a rush at the draws and the crowd yelled so loud that York left his feet and Princess we 2.30 by an open length. "dead give away" and everybox she could trot in 2.25 barring a

No more mile heat races for her At this time Charles Hosmer or strongly built and well proper brown gelding called Honest John had defeated Werner's Rattler. stallion was a blood bay horse James Bigart, of Sandy Hill able to trot in about 2.34. had defeated him in two races of two heats each, one to harness and the to wagon. In the harness race won the second heat in 5.19 and wire to wire in the second mile in which was the fastest mile ever in a two-mile race by a stallion, the would not stand as a record subsequently the sire of

Honest John, about a week two victories over the stallion, was a trial by John Crooks of ten management harness in the presence of a dozen

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