

Woodbine (match)..... Sept. 6
 Pergus..... Sept 10 to 11
 Ottawa (Jockey Club)..... Sept. 19 and 21
 Stallion Race..... Oct. —
 Lepine Park, Montreal..... Oct 8 to 10

ENTRIES CLOSE.

Ogdensburg, N. Y..... Aug 31
 Pergus..... Sept 6

AMERICAN.

RUNNING MEETINGS.

Beacon Park, Boston..... Aug 28 to 30
 Jerome Park..... Oct. 5 to 12
 Baltimore, Md. (Fall)..... Oct 28 to 29

TROTTING.

Milwaukee, Wis..... Aug 27 to 30
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 Ogdensburg..... Sept. 10 to 12
 Hartford, Conn..... Sept. 10 to 13
 Ogdensburg, N.Y..... Sept. 10 to 12
 Cleveland..... Sept 10 to 13
 Toledo, Ohio..... Sept 16 to 21
 Dayton, Ohio..... Sept 28 to 27
 Cincinnati, Ohio..... Sept 24 to 27
 Rochester, N.Y..... Oct 1 to 4
 Cincinnati, Ohio..... Oct 1 to 4
 Zanesville, Ohio..... Oct 8 to 11

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IS IT A RECORD?

In common with the American sporting press, we have been appealed to to decide the question whether the 2.18 of Rarus at Buffalo is a record. It is a peculiar question, and one on which a great deal can be said on both sides. That the horse trotted in 2.18 does not admit of a doubt, but whether, by the rules, that would form a record is a matter of another kind. To obtain a record a horse must win a heat or make a dead heat. The conditions of the Special Sneed Purse were that if the horse trotted three consecutive heats averaging 2:15 or better, he should be entitled to \$1,000, and \$500 additional if any of such heats were trotted faster than 2:14. He was to have three trials. He received the word three times, and failed to accomplish what he attempted, consequently he could have no claim to the \$1,000 or the \$500. After he had received the word the third time and started on that heat, the result of the race depended on that effort. Upon pulling up and turning back he abandoned his chance in the race. This certainly finished the race as advertised, and Rarus was

question will probably be brought before the Board of Appeals, *ex parte* or otherwise, and until their verdict is recorded, we shall claim it is not a record. In this view we are opposed to the Turf, Field and Farm and N. Y. Sportsman, but in sympathy with the Spirit of the Times and the Clipper. So it will be seen it is an open question, and will be decided differently, just as to what particular authority the query is submitted.

HANLAN AND COURTNEY.

WILL THERE BE A RACE.

The negotiations for a race between Hanlan and Courtney have now been in progress since early in the spring, and up to within a few days late date it appears did not amount to anything which might be graced with the name of certainty—either one way or the other. But just now things are coming to a crisis. It has all along been assumed that the men were mutually committed to a match on general principles, the hitch being about some of the details. The backers of Hanlan and Courtney were to have met by appointment at the Brackett House, Rochester, N. Y., on the 10th inst., to finally arrange matters. On that day Messrs. J. H. Brister, E. B. Webster, and W. W. Hairland, of Geneva, N.Y., on behalf of Courtney, were present, but the Hanlan party was unrepresented. Quite late in the afternoon, however, they telegraphed they would not be present. Proposals were then made by wire to bring the affair to a conclusion, and we have understood that the American's friends made a final offer of \$5,000 as a bonus if they would be allowed to name the water. This liberal *douceur*, we understand has been accepted, and a delegation of Hanlan's backers has gone on to complete all the arrangements, which will include a view of the course selected and the signing of the articles. This is more like business than anything we have had yet, and the probabilities are before the week is out everything will be fixed for this great race. The negotiations for this extraordinary event have been so long in progress and carried on with such an air of mystery, that a great many were afraid it would never take place. The business has been conducted in a manner so foreign to the usual course in match-making that there have not been a few who were inclined to look upon it with suspicion, or fancied it would be simply a hippodrome affair with some unsatisfactory termination, having the financial receipts as the main object. Color is given to this view by the more than extraordinary amount, \$5,000, which it is proposed to allow Hanlan for expenses. But if this idea has really entered any person's mind, it will be speedily dispelled when "our boy" gets in his boat, and we have no doubt "Neptune Ned" will give as good an account of himself in this race as he did with Morris and Ross and at the recent regattas. To Canadians there seems to be something that cannot be understood in maturing such an unreliable man as Courtney against such a piece of machinery as Hanlan. In the Riley race last year, nervous depression exercised such a control over Courtney that he was obliged to give up the race and forfeit the

the extra part of property are in the vicinity of the tail, and are apparently not intended for use.

At Saratoga, on Saturday last, Mr. Chas. Boyle, of Woodstock, Ont., purchased the bay colt Kenesaw, 4 years, by imported Glengarry, dam Kathleen by Lexington, 2nd dam Maria Innis, by imported Yorkshire. Kenesaw won the selling race at Saratoga that day. The consideration reported is \$500.

In speaking of the jockeys at Saratoga, the N. Y. Sportsman says: "Blaylock, the Canadian jockey, seems to know his business, and if he had the mounts of more successful riders he might supersede some of those claiming the first positions."

The fast trotting mare Sadie Bell is working at Woodbine. She is by Capt. West, and closed last season with a record of 2:27.

The Rochester Driving Park Association cleared over \$7,000 on its meeting last week. Buffalo cleared about \$6,000, and the net profits at Cleveland footed up \$7,500. The Circuit is a success in more ways than one.

The coming match trot for \$1,600, between the stallions Hamilton and Valentine, at Woodbine, on Sept. 6, is exciting a great deal of interest in the vicinities of Bradford and Newmarket. Both horses are reported doing well, but Hamilton's chances are looked upon as the more favorable; as, indeed, they should, from the fact of his owner betting \$1,000 against \$600 in the main stake.

The Canadian delegation to the grand trotting circuit have about all returned home. They report the racing as having been good, and in some cases *surprising*. The financial capital has not been largely increased by the trip.

Backers of Inspiration in the French Mutuals at Saratoga were paid pretty well in her first race on Saturday last. The tickets realized \$61.20 for \$5.

It has been decided to give two days racing at Matchmore Park, Ottawa, on September 19th and 21st. From \$1,000 to 1,500 will be offered in premiums. We will possibly have the bill next week.

Entries close for Ogdensburg, N.Y., races on 31st inst.

The N. Y. Spirit of the Times publishes the following piece of gossip about the Rochester races:—"Mrs. Splan said she thought it was real mean for the judges at Rochester not to put up another driver behind Scott's Thomas, when they wouldn't let John get away with such a little thing as that race with Croxie."

Rochester, N.Y., Driving Park Association claim for their next annual meeting Aug. 5 to 8, 1879, thus clashing with Buffalo.

A Texan mustang, seven years old, with horns like those of an ox, which he sheds every year, is on exhibition at Vicksburg.

Mr. Jas. Grey, of Florence, Ont., lost a valuable horse on last Sunday in a peculiar manner. While being shod about a week before he was pricked with a nail, which it is said produced congestion of the liver, of which he died. Mr. Grey refused \$750 for him a short time ago. He could trot in about 2:40, and had never been professionally handled."

Hansom cab races are the latest popular sport in London, Eng.

quire explanation or denial, have been in circulation the past week in regard to the contest for second place in the professional scullers' race at Barrie on the 12th. It is alleged, without any concealment, that a combination had been entered into by the men who were thought to be the most eligible for second place by which the popular favorite should be beaten. The knowing ones got the "tip," and invested their funds on the strength of it, only to be made the victims of too much confidence. Whether it assumed the shape of a double cross, or that a promising young oarsman had been left out of the slate is not positively known. But it is a fact that several who had friends high at court but quite large sums of money on the information thus obtained. If boat-racing is to maintain its present popularity in Canada, those who are mainly interested in its success, can not afford to allow such damaging statements to go unchallenged. It is their duty to sift the matter thoroughly, and if there was any improper combination at this or any other race, to hold the principals up to public exposure. The daily press who have taken such a sudden interest in sporting, it appears could afford to let such a serious charge pass unheeded. It should be the object of those who cater to the public amusement in the sporting line, to see that their affairs are properly conducted, and protect the public from fraud of any kind. If it had been a horse race, instead of a boat race, about which this scandal was so freely circulated, it would have been held up as an example of the degeneracy prostitution of the turf, and the outcry would have been loud and long. The fraud is as great in one case as in the other, and public confidence in boat racing will soon be destroyed unless such charges can be shown to be without foundation on evidence that will be incontrovertible.

WOODBINE RACES.

The races at Woodbine on this Friday and Saturday are likely to prove more than ordinarily interesting. The entries have been sufficiently numerous to guarantee good sport, and quite a number of new horses will put in appearances. The named races will bring out attractive fields of known horses, and the classed events, we are informed, give promise of being equally exciting. It is thought that in the free-for-all the fastest time ever made at Woodbine will be accomplished. The track is in good order, and the management in first-class hands. We expect to see model crowds at Woodbine to-day and to-morrow; the votaries of trotting are numerous in this city and vicinity, and we have no doubt they will take advantage of the opportunity, as this is likely to be the last meeting in Toronto this season.

SALE OF EDWIN FORREST.—Mr. Jas. Had-dock, Harrisonville, Mo., has sold to Chas. S. Green, Babylon, L.I. the bay gelding Edwin Forrest, 7 years old, by Brannock's Edwin Forrest Jr., son of Jas. Miller's Joe Downing, dam said to be by Flight, son of imp. Leviathan, for \$16,000. We doubt the pedigree on the dam's side, as we know no son of Leviathan's called Flight, but there was a mare of this name, but she is dead and never had a colt except by a thoroughbred.

front of Dalgasian, he four in front of Gallagher and Derby. There was no change in the run to the fifth hurdle, which was taken in the style Maney bringing Waller along and winning by a length, Dalgasian second, in front of Kelso, who beat Derby by a head for the place. Behind Derby was Gallagher, in company with Passion and Wild Oats. Time, 2:21.

KELSO WINS A GOOD RACE.

On the 15th there was a handicap hurdle race, mile heats, over four hurdles, in which the veteran Kelso came to the front, with a weight 150 lbs on him. Billy McBride had the mount. The following details tell the whole story:

Betting.—Disturbance, \$300; Dalgasian, \$100; Dandy, \$100; Kelso, \$80; Gallagher, \$70.
THE RACE.—**FIRST HEAT.**—The first of the flag fell Dalgasian jumped away like a cat and was followed over the first and second hurdles by Dandy and Disturbance, who were several lengths in front of Gallagher and Kelso. Disturbance stumbled badly at the second hurdle and lost several lengths, while Dandy stayed the pace, and at the third hurdle Dalgasian led by three lengths, but making a jump both Dandy and Disturbance closed up. The last named passed Dandy in the run, and reaching Dalgasian the two passed the quarter pole nearly even. They stayed together to and over the fourth hurdle, when Kelso drew away and won the heat by a length, Disturbance in front of Dandy, with Kelso fourth and Gallagher fifth. Time, 1:57.

SECOND HEAT.—Dalgasian, \$120; Dandy, \$100; Kelso, \$40; field, \$30. At the third effort the flag was dropped, with Dandy in front. He was the first over the first hurdle, with Kelso second and Dalgasian third, Gallagher fourth and Disturbance last. In the run to the second hurdle Kelso dropped back, while Disturbance closed up third. The run down the backstretch and over the second and third hurdles was very close and exciting, Dandy, Dalgasian and Disturbance running lapped until reaching the fourth hurdle when Dalgasian dropped out and Kelso moved up. The latter, who was third over the hurdle kept right along, passing Disturbance and, after a sharp finish, beating Dandy by a length, Disturbance third, Dalgasian fourth and Gallagher fifth. Time, 1:54.

THIRD HEAT.—Both horses in turn sold their choice, but at the close Kelso had the call. He took the lead at the start, and although Gallagher made big efforts to reach him in the home stretch, he failed to do so. Kelso won the heat and the race by three lengths in 1:56.

The mutuals paid very well. Kelso on first heat, \$43.30; on second, \$12.80, and on third, \$6.60.

INSPIRATION.

On Saturday last Inspiration won a half-quarter mile dash of which the following is the report.

Betting.—Several in turn sold the choice, but in the last pool La Belle Helene sold for \$2, Dan K. \$165, Rhadamantus \$155, Inspiration \$55, Pique \$50 and the field \$70.

THE RACE.—After three breakaways, in the first of which Ferida ran into the main track beyond the half-mile pole, the flag was dropped with Inspiration in front, Pique and Rhadamantus close up and Pilot, Ferida, La Belle Helene and Bijou behind. The first furlong was run fast, especially by those behind. Running into the track at the half-mile pole Inspiration and Pique were still in front, with La Belle Helene in close attendance. Ferida was lapped by Dan K. and Rhadamantus, while Pilot and Bijou behind. In the run round the turn Mr. Belmont's filly continued to improve her position so that on running into the home stretch she was enabled to take advantage of a wide turn made by Inspiration and Pique. The three ran on nearly even terms past the three-quarter pole. When well into the turn Dan K. began to close up on the leaders and Pique bolted to the extreme outside, the flag was left to Inspiration and La Belle Helene. The youngster did well up to the draw, when the pace she had run early in the race on her and she dropped back. Dan K. at the same time closed up, but was not fast enough to beat Inspiration, who kept right along and by three-quarters of a length, Dan K. second in length in front of La Belle Helene, who was followed by Rhadamantus, Pique, Ferida, and Bijou. Time, 1:17.

The same day she appeared in a two-mile dash but was not placed as the details of the race show.

Betting.—Bushwhacker, \$500; Virginus, \$