

RAMAPO LAID OFF.

RAMAPO, the winner of the Metropolitan and Suburban, has been turned out of training. During the Coney Island meeting we had heard this, but the colt came out at Brooklyn and won the Oriental Handicap from Bassett in the mud. Hearing it again the other day at Brooklyn, I asked Hyland, his trainer, as to the truth of it.

"Yes," answered Hyland. "Ramapo won't race this year—rumor is right for once."

"Is he broken down?"

"No," hardly as bad as that."

"I heard during the Coney Island meeting that he would not race again this season."

"Well, we had almost decided upon stopping him, but the going was soft and muddy in the Oriental and we took a chance starting him."

"Then he was ailing then?"

"In a sense, yes, he has always overreached and hit his heels in front, bruised them. This made him sore in front. Then in the last race he ran at Saratoga with Clifford he was hurt in a collision, and we had to stop him in his work. He was only a patched up horse when he won the Oriental, sir, and if Bassett had been a good horse that day he would have beaten Ramapo. He has been a hard horse to handle throughout this season. He is an awful strider, and that habit has been of cutting himself in front under you always feel uncomfortable. No matter how good those kind are you always feel afraid something will happen. He was an awfully good colt on the day he won the Metropolitan, but outside of Henry of Navarre and Reohe he didn't have much to boast. He was good when he won the Suburban, but the way Garrison messed him about in that handicap race when he ran a dead heat with Banquet, didn't do him any good. He was lame after that."

"Then we won't see him again until the spring handicaps?"

"I suppose not—he'll have a better lot to meet next year and will need to be a good one to win."

TANNER IS DEAD?

POLK BADGET, alias Tanner, with whom the notorious turf outlaws, the Brannon Bros., executed their historic coups, is reported dead, having fallen into a sink hole, broken both forelegs and crushed his shoulders. Previous to the announcement of Tanner's somewhat tragic death it was not generally known, if known at all, at what point he was eating the bread of enforced idleness. All of a sudden comes the news that the horse has been at Bowling Green, Ky., and is dead. A strange story indeed, and not at all unlikely intended to pave the way for another "killing."

Tanner may have died in the manner described, but the majority of turfmen will ask to see his carcass before believing it. Still more astonishing is the information that South Park, who was said to have been stolen from a farm near Lexington last fall, has been located on Long Island and in the custody of a lawyer. This astute gentleman of the legal profession demands payment of the thousand dollar reward offered for the recovery of the horse and refuses to give him up until he receives it. "Cy" James, who owned South Park, is willing to pay the price providing he is allowed to work him and find out if he is as good as when he was stolen—which is altogether improbable. The questions then arise, who were the thieves, how did South Park come into the custody of the lawyer, where has he been since he was purloined and why is the lawyer not arrested for losing in possession of stolen property? All of which seem hard to answer.—Chicago Horseman.

NEW REGISTRATION RULES.

It must be borne in mind that the changes in the rules governing registration in the American Trotting Register go into effect January 1, 1895, and that all applications based on the present regulations must be sent in before that time. The changes are in themselves important enough, and though generally understood, we repeat them for the benefit of those who may need the information. In the trotting standard rules 8 and 9 are deleted and an additional cross of stand and blood is required by rule 7, which will be altered to read: "Any mare whose sire is standard and whose dam and second dam are by standard horses." Old rule 2 granted registration to any mare or gelding with a trotting record of 2:30 or better. In the revised code it is additionally required that any animal for which registration is sought under this rule must be by a standard horse or out of a standard dam. In the pacing division the same changes are made in rules 2 and 7 as noted above, with the exception, of course, that records of 2:25 and 2:30 are demanded in place of 2:30 and 2:35. Old rules 8 and 9 are abolished and rule 10 made rule 8. Briefly stated, these are the changes and modifications which will become operative on and after New Year's day. All who wish to take advantage of the leniency of the old regulations must hasten their applications, as no reference is made to dates of foaling as has been by some erroneously supposed.

D. S. Urson, of the Sacramento Club of Wheelmen, on Monday lowered the world's mile record for class A., unpaced, but with a flying start, to 2:20 3/5, lowering his own record of 2:22 3/5, made a

few days ago. He did not ride a racing wheel.

At the annual meeting of the Queen City Homing Pigeon Club the following officers were elected for 1895: President, G. Atkins; vice-president, J. Kenny; secretary, J. Jennings; treasurer, H. Davis; corresponding secretary, F. W. Campbell. Executive committee—J. Davis, W. Kirstead, F. Lemon, W. Gray, J. Jack; inside guard, F. Farrell.

ANOTHER valuable horse has died. This time it was the chestnut gelding Newcastle, six years old, an Kentucky Prince, with a record of 2:29. He was owned by Mr. Renui Arbour, of Montreal, and showed a 14 gait this summer. He had been in charge of Mr. MacPherson, who prophesied great things for him. But he

took cold at Lepine track, and the best veterinary skill could not save him. He was valued at \$2,000.

"CURRIE" SMITH, owner of the Kendall stable, was hailed before the stewards of the Morris Park meeting after the fifth race on Saturday to explain the running of his filly Handspan in the second race, says the N.Y. Times. What he told the stewards was not made public, but before the third race he ordered his trainer, Lewis Marrow, to scratch Prince Kai from the last race, and never to put Reagan up on one of his horses again under any circumstances. Reagan had been engaged to ride Prince Kai.

It is generally understood by now that when the light went out Moses was in the parlor with his best girl.

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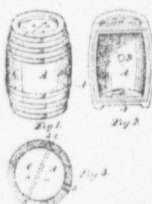


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