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## DATES CLAIMED FOR 1876.

## AMERICAN.

Jerome Park (Running)...Sept. 30 to Oct. 14  
Pottstown, Pa. ....Oct. 3 to 6  
Washington, D.C. (Running)...Oct. 24 to 27

## CANADIAN.

Ottawa, Mutchmor.....Oct. 4 and 5  
Ottawa, Dominion Park.....Oct. 5 to 7  
Mt. Forest .....Oct. 9 to 10  
Kingston .....Oct. 10 to 12  
St. Thomas .....Oct. 12 & 13  
Chatham.....Oct. 17 to 19  
Wallaceburgh.....Oct. 24 & 25

## ENTRIES CLOSE.

## CANADIAN.

Kingston .....Oct. 6  
Mt. Forest .....Oct. 6  
St. Thomas.....Oct. 11  
Chatham.....Oct. 14

## DATES CLAIMED FOR 1877.

## AMERICAN.

Freeport, Ill.....May 29 to June 1  
Cleveland, O.....July 24 to 27  
Springfield, Mass.....July 24 to 27  
Buffalo, N. Y.....July 31 to Aug. 3  
Freeport, Ill.....July 31 to Aug. 3  
Rochester, N. Y.....2d week in Aug.  
Prophetstown, Ill.....2d " "  
Tiskilwa, Ill.....2d " "  
Utica, N. Y.....3d " "  
Earlville, Ill.....4th " "

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of other deserving, but less speedy horses. If the black-board had been a truth-teller at all times, it is more than probable that the :80 or :82 class would have been favored with several eligible members. Had the time been rigidly given in each heat, the chances are, the leading horses in the :84 or :85 class would have really been in no worse position, one with another, than they are to-day, as now they are trotting against one another in almost every race; while it would have given the horses who were in every respect honestly entitled to trot in that class an opportunity of earning something for their owners. It is almost too late in the season to expect any reformation now, but it is to be hoped that next season Associations will establish the principle of giving the record each horse makes without fear, favor, or affection. The story of records establishes its own truth, without any further evidence. The fact of horses trotting over all sorts of tracks, fast and slow, mile and half-mile, long and short, and perpetually getting there beat after beat, with only a variation of a second or so, is amply sufficient to prove there is something rotten in Denmark. In the slower classes the same disposition for misrepresentation is seen. How often has attention been called to the "no time" so frequently attached to racing summaries. This is clearly fraudulent. If the horse had not beaten his record no harm could come to him by publishing the correct time; and if he had trotted faster than his previous record it should be recorded against time. The formation of a Dominion Association for the protection and advancement of turf matters would do much to prevent this species of fraud, and if its establishment should result in no other benefit than this its mission would not have been in vain. As it is the greater portion of the rich plums keep continually falling in the same hands; whereas, if the spirit of fair play and equity to all was freely and faithfully administered, there would be more encouragement to trot horses, and as a consequence the number of entries would be increased in proportion to the number of horses that would be looked upon favorably in their proper classes. Now the same trio or quartette peddle around the country giving exhibitions of speed which might almost be termed of a hippodromic nature. One benefit at least would be realized from this new departure, the same horses would not eternally be seen contesting in the same races, which would be a novelty that would be appreciated by those who are in the habit of visiting our leading meetings.

ENTRIES CLOSE FOR KINGSTON RACES, TO-MAY, (FRIDAY.)  
PROSPECT FOR A RACING ASSOCIATION.

The continued advocacy of the establishment of a Dominion Turf Association in the SPORTING TIMES has been the means of directing attention to the matter in a quarter, where its agitation will surely result in the greatest benefits to breeding and racing. At the Western Fair, London, the subject of organization was a prominent topic of conversation among the horse owners and horse breeders present, and it is to be hoped the carrying out of the ideas advanced by those who are so strongly in favor of a better order of things will not be allowed to fail on account of any apathy shown by outsiders. The movement is but in its infancy, nothing formal having been undertaken; but it has been suggested that a meeting of those who are in sympathy with the results to be arrived at with the aid of such an organization should be convened some time this Fall or Winter, at some central point, at which the various questions that would come within its province might be discussed and the basis for future operations, at least, agreed on. In the attempt to combine the functions of a Jockey Club with those of a Stock Association

are ripe for any affiliation among themselves which has for its aim the protection of the racing interests. The Breeders' Association would occupy a field considerably larger than the scope a Turf Association would assume. The former would probably combine along with their racing departments, questions of pedigree, and suitable legislation thereon; the direct encouragement of the importation of the highest grades of blood in the several equine types; and, in fact, would exercise a sort of general supervision over the horse interests of the country. This is a more extensive platform than a provincial racing Association would probably accept. Its objects would not be so extensive, for the race horse is the only subject to which its attention would be directed. It is the only class of equine in which the racing Association would probably take any interest, and its energies would be devoted almost exclusively to the running and trotting classes. The heavy draught and roadster horses would have no charms for its members, as the breeding in the former section at least, if not inimical, is foreign to the principles under which they would be acting. The value of the slower breeds of horses, not coming within the province of the racing Association, would hardly receive any attention; while in a general Association there would receive suitable recognition, and the improvement of their breeding proper encouragement. To sum up, a Dominion Turf Association would have, as it were, a sectional field of operations, confined to the speed classes; while the object of the Horse Breeders' Association would be general, all the various classes coming within their scope, as well as the turf legislation which the racing compact would likewise have to take cognizance of. But in trying to secure the major benefit, the minor one must not be lost sight of. Therefore it devolves upon these gentlemen who have the initiation of the greater scheme in view, to at once, as soon as possible, enter upon its preliminaries; so that both of our pet infants may not meet with an untimely death through the dilatory action of its promoters. If a whole loaf cannot be had without a doubt, the half loaf which is assured should be accepted.

## ENTRIES CLOSE FOR MOUNT FOREST RACES, THIS FRIDAY, AT 5 P.M.

## THE BASE BALL CHAMPIONSHIP.

The Base Ball season in Canada closed on Saturday last, and the scores for the Championship are now forthcoming. We learn the contest for the right to fly the whip pennant for 1877 has resulted in a tie. For a proper understanding of how the decision is arrived at as to who shall be entitled to the credit of victory it may be as well to quote the rule:

"6. The Club winning the greatest number of games in the championship series, with clubs entering for the championship, during the season, shall be declared champions of Canada."

At the beginning of last week the Tecumsehs of London had ten games won to their credit, and the Maple Leafs of Guelph only five. But on Sept. 27, the latter played and won two games from the Kingston club, and on the 28th repeated the performance of the previous day. These, with a game won from Toronto on the 29th made them a tie in the total number of games won with the Tecumsehs. If this contingency had not been provided for by the rules the question of the right to the championship would have been left in doubt, notwithstanding the fact that the Londoners have defeated the Guelphites three times this season, the fourth game of the series due by the Tecumsehs to the Maple Leafs remaining unplayed. The activity shown by the Maple Leafs in playing five matches in three days, and these away from home, having to travel upwards of four hundred miles to accomplish the feat is certainly noticeable, especially when it is considered the season was so nearly closed.

ment that he would attempt on Wednesday, 27th ult., to beat the best four-mile time, 7:19. The report of the race is now before us, and from it is seen that he accomplished his difficult feat handsily enough, beating the old scythe-bearer by three and three-quarter seconds, and marking down on the imperishable scroll the astonishing speed of 7:15. The day of the trial was cool and clear, and the track in superb condition. Ten Broeck was accompanied a portion of the distance by Add, his competitor in the three-mile dash on the preceding Saturday. In a short time Add was left hopelessly in the rear, and shortly afterwards the running was taken up by Nancy Hale, by Lexington, who urged the victor in his speed. The Turf Field and Farin gives the following:

"Our dispatch gives the time of the several miles as follows: First, 1:52; second, 1:46; third, 1:47; fourth, 1:50; first two miles, 3:38; first three, 5:25; and the four in 7:15. The feat was a wonderful one, but we would have preferred that Ten Broeck had carried the same weight which Fellowcraft did, 108 lbs., both being the same age and the performance being judged against Fellowcraft's. We never for a moment doubted the horse's ability to perform the feat, and so publicly expressed ourselves. The betting in New York was about \$100 on time to \$65 on the horse, although we saw several wagers laid of \$25 to \$100 that the horse would equal or beat 7:18."

Ten Broeck was bred by the late John Harper of Woodford County, Ky., and is the property of F. B. Harper, of the same place. He is a handsome bay, 16 hands high, with fine shoulders, faultless middle piece, and as strong and good back, hips and quarters as were ever seen upon a horse. He is by imp. Phaeton (son of King Tom, who is by Harkaway, the great Irish racehorse, out of Pocahontas, the dam of Stockwell, Rataplan, &c., by Glencoe). Ten Broeck's dam is Fanny Holton (Lytlington's dam), by Lexington; 2nd dam Nantura (Longfellow's dam), by Brawner's Eclipse (Counterplot, son of American Eclipse); 3rd dam Quiz, by Bertrand; 4th dam Lady Fortune, by Brimmer or Blue Bird; 5th dam Woodpecker's dam, by imp. Buzzard; 6th dam The Fawn, by Crax's Alfred; 7th dam Sh-pherdes, by Wormsley's King Herod; 8th dam by Morton's imp. Traveler; 9th dam by imp. Whittington; 10th dam by imp. Childers; 11th dam an imported mare by Babraham, &c."

## FELLOWCRAFT'S RACE.

On the 20th day of August, 1874, Fellowcraft, 4 years old, by imp. Australian, dam Aerolite by Lexington, with 108 lbs. up, ran four miles at Saratoga in 7:19. The miles were run: First in 1:47, second in 1:50, third in 1:51, and the fourth in 1:50. The first two miles in 3:38, and the first three miles in 5:29. Fellowcraft had never been considered more than a good second-class horse, yet on this occasion, without any prepared track, and one year younger than Lexington, and five pounds additional weight, he had eclipsed the greatest feat ever performed by any horse, and which had remained unequalled for nineteen years.

## LEXINGTON'S RACE.

On the 8th day of April, 1854, Lecompte beat Lexington and Rubie four-mile heats over the Metairie course at New Orleans, in 7:26, 7:38. Mr. Ten Broeck, the then owner of Lexington, believing that his horse was beaten by his rider pulling him up through mistake at the end of the third mile, proposed to run Lexington four-mile heats against any horse for from \$10,000 to \$20,000. The challenge wound up as follows: "As Lexington will probably follow the fashion in making a foreign tour, I propose the following as his valedictory: I will run him a single tour miles over the Metairie course, at New Orleans (under the rules of the club), against the fastest time at four miles that has been run in America, for the sum of \$10,000, one-fourth forfeit; two trials to be allowed, and the race to be run between the 1st and 15th of April next—Arrow to be substituted in case Lexington is amiss." This challenge was accepted by Col. Calvin Green and Capt. John Belcher, of Virginia. On Monday, April 2, 1855, Lexington, then actually five years old, mounted by Gil. Patrick, with only 108 lbs. up, ran four miles in 7:19. The miles were run as follows: First mile, 1:47; second, 1:52; third, 1:51; fourth, 1:48. First two miles, 3:39; first three, 5:31. On the 14th of April, Lexington, with 103 lbs. up, met Lecompte in the Jockey Club. Purse of \$1,000, four-mile heats, with an inside stake of \$2,500 each. Lexington won the first heat in 7:28, Lecompte was withdrawn, and the purse and stakes awarded to Lexington.

The Spirit of the Times remarks:—"It

## Sporting Gossip.

Mr. Wm. Long in company with some gentlemen of Pickering have shipped twenty horses to Liverpool as an experiment.

Mr. Harold Lambe, of the Argonaut Rowing Club of this city, won the mile foot race at the New York Athletic Club games last Saturday, beating six competitors. Time—4:51. Track bad.

Mr. Lyon of this city has disposed of a half interest in Oysterman, jr., to Messrs. Hunt, of Port Hope. He was taken to his new home last week.

The Dundas Driving Park has been offered to the Corporation of that town for a pleasure ground by the Association for the sum of \$6,000. At that price it is cheap.

Col. Strange met with an accident lately while riding a race at Quebec. His horse tripped and fell on him, dislocating the Colonel's collar bone.

Mr. Frank Lowell, of Galt, sold the well-known province-bred racehorse Gil D. Roy at the Fergus Races to a gentleman residing at Listowel. Consideration reported, \$750.

George Irving, the pedestrian, of Ottawa, was second in a 200 yards hurdle race at the Fultonville, N.Y., Fair.

It is proposed to have a day's races at Barrie this month. The prominent attraction is a match for \$400.

The Montreal horse market was very active last week. Mr. C. F. Elves had a large sale on Friday, at which about 40 head were sold at remunerative prices. Quite a number of private sales were made on American account.

Frank Smith, Esq., of this city, recently purchased from Mr. Joab Scales the fine black roadster Stonewall Jackson. He has a record of 2:46, at Woodbine last Fall.

## FROM INGERSOLL.

INGERSOLL, Oct. 8, 1876.

To the Editor of Sporting Times.

SIR,—A match trot which is causing a great deal of local interest is to come off on the Ingersoll half-mile track, Oct. 14th, between Mr. David Dandas' bay colt Little George, and Mr. Wm. McClure's bay gelding Country Boy, Mr. Dandas backing his horse at \$100 to \$50. Mile heats, 2 in 8.

Dr. John L. Burkart, of Ingersoll, has recently purchased the magnificent stallion Brigham, 5 years, he being a son of old Brigham Young, dam a very fine Morgan mare. Brigham is a fine dark brown stallion, standing 15-1, with fine points of speed, and can trot well down in the forties. We congratulate the Dr. on his plucky enterprise, for we think it will tend greatly to improve the trotting stock in the section in which he stands. Q.

## Canadian Turf.

## HORSE FAIR AND RACING AT FERGUS.

A detailed report of the Fergus Horse Fair and Races has been received, but owing to the late hour at which it came to hand we are only able to give the summaries. During the meeting rain was frequent, making the track muddy, which will account for the poor time in many races.

HONORABLE FAIR, Sept. 27—Heavy Draughts—1. J. Place, Guelph Township; 2. J. Gordon, Nichol.

General Purpose—W. Patterson, Marsville. Span Carriage Horses—1. Isaac Anderson, Eramosa; 2. Thos. Sherwood, Fergus.

Single Carriage Horses—1. Fred Armstrong, Eramosa; 2. Geo. Coghill, Eramosa. Roadster in Harness—1. J. McDougall, Galt; 2. Robt. Olwin, Guelph.

Saddle Horses—1. Jas. Agnew, Dandalk; 2. Dr. Orton, Fergus.

FERIOUS, Sept. 27—\$40; trotting. Open to horses owned within 10 miles of Fergus.

J. C. Morrow, blk g Black Duke..... 1 1 1  
Dr. Morton, br m Lady Polham..... 2 3 2  
A. Anderson, br m Morgan Queen..... 4 2 4  
J. Ellis, b h Royal Leopard..... 5 4 3  
J. Hower, b m Lady Coulson..... 5 6 8

No time.