

Ottawa, Maitland	Sept. 27 to 29
Ottawa, Dominion Park	Oct. 1 and 5
Mt. Forest	Oct. 5 to 7
Kingston	Oct. 9 to 10
St. Thomas	Oct. 10 to 12
Chatham	Oct. 12 & 13
Wallaceburg	Oct. 17 to 19
	Oct. 24 & 25

ENTRIES CLOSE.

CANADIAN.

Ottawa, Dominion Park	Sept. 30
Kingston	Oct. 6
Mt. Forest	Oct. 6
St. Thomas	Oct. 11

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 "
Takulwa, Ill.	2d "
Utica, N. Y.	3d "
Earvauk, Ill.	4th "

Correspondent and others will remember the change of our office, No. 90 King-St. West, Toronto, is our present address.

POOLS OFF.

Very few have any idea of the whole import of this declaration of the Judges. It naturally presents itself that the money bet is handed back, and that all are the same as they were before the race. This is true enough, so far the gentlemen are concerned who have backed their opinion or knowledge in the box. But there are other parties interested in the decision who are in most cases entirely lost sight of. Reference is made to the Associations and Pool-sellers. It is a case of extreme hardship to the former, as the returns from the pool-box are calculated upon among the proceeds of the meeting to reimburse them in their outlay of purses and other expenses attending the management. When the pools are declared off, of course this source of revenue is withdrawn, and the receipts of the Association are just as much short. The purse money was usually to be paid all the same, the investors in pools take no share of the risk, and the men whose money is protected by this system of betting, under this contingency do not contribute anything for the benefit they receive. The practice is altogether one-sided. If a job explodes, its putters-up go unsentenced, are virtually assured they will meet with no loss, while the Association, who have been working right and main to render their meeting attractive, have to suffer the major portion of the penalty, though fulfilling as far as possible their implied contract with the people. If losses are made in this manner it seems but reasonable they should be borne mutually by those interested. Again, the pool-seller in many cases pays largely for the privilege of

of today possess speed which has never been equalled. The last instance of this occurred at Louisville, Ky., last Saturday, at the Jockey Club's Meeting, in a three-mile dash; when Ten Broeck, four years, by Phaeton, dam Fanny Bolton ran the fastest three miles on record. The summary of the race will be found under its proper head in our American Turf column. Our report states the track was good, but not considered fast; a slight shower having fell a short time previously, and the day being cloudy. The race was a Post Stake for all ages, and Ten Broeck had as a competitor the four year old colt Add, by Revolver. For two miles and a half it was a good race, but then the winner drew away and led under the wire by about six lengths. The first mile was run in 1:47, the second in 1:49, and the third in 1:50, making the three miles in 5:26. In September, 1865, Norfolk, by Lexington, then four years old, 100 lbs. up, ran the first heat of a three mile and repeat race in 5:27, the best time for the distance up to the present performance. Ten Broeck has cut that down by a second and a quarter, which must be considered a most remarkable performance. Ten Broeck in this race would carry 108 lbs., being run under the Kentucky rules; American Jockey Club Rules same age and distance would have been 118 lbs.; so that his performance is considerably better than Norfolk's who had only 100 lbs. impost.

So well thought-of was Ten Broeck's performance, that the Louisville Jockey Club have offered him a purse of \$1,000 if he succeeds in beating Fellowcraft's four mile time, 7:19. The trial was to have been made on Wednesday, but up to the time of going to press no advice of the result have been received. He will be accompanied by Add, who made such a good show in the three mile dash on Saturday. Should Ten Broeck prove successful in this effort, he will crown himself with imperishable honor, and assist in placing the Phaetons in the highest esteem among horsemen.

A NARROW ESCAPE.

While the citizens of Toronto were paying tribute to their champion oarsman, very few were aware of the narrow escape he had had from the hands of some unprincipled party or parties. To show to what length the lust for gain will carry men from the straight path, it is only necessary to recount the story. When he left the city he was accompanied by a friend, who is no mean oarsman himself. Upon arriving at Philadelphia, Hanlon commenced to take his breathings, being looked after by this friend. His style of rowing must have attracted the attention of some of the interested ones, who saw in him a most dangerous competitor to themselves or their favorites. Means were taken to "fix" him, so that his defeat would be sure, but fortunately they miscarried when the villains thought they had their job accomplished and the victim surely within their grasp. By some means the friend was taken for Hanlon, and in some way or other was poisoned, not fatally, but to such an ex-

cess that it will require the aid of the horses to be no reason why men who had money in the box should have been compelled to stay over here for nearly a week at great inconvenience and expense; when, as the subsequent action shows, the Association had determined upon following the rule governing the case. It may have been an unintentional error that the race was postponed for such a length of time as to let the money out of the box; but that is no reason why investors should be made to suffer. It did not appear there was any chance for an interpretation of the rule to save the Association from loss (which is regretted in all quarters), and it would only have been carrying out their obligations to their patrons if the Association had repaid the money on Monday after the postponement.

THE CENTENNIAL REGATTA.

PECULIAR STORIES.

It would be hard to believe that any of our gallant oarsmen who were sent from Canada to try their abilities among the pick of the world at the Centennial Regatta, would be found guilty of practices that will bring a blush to the face of every man who values honest sport, and believes in encouraging athletic exercises. It has been publicly stated, through the medium of our telegraph reports, that Price, one of the Paris crew of St. John, N. B., sold the race at Philadelphia, in which his crew was beaten by that of Halifax. The charge is made by Fulton, another member of the crew; and Price retaliates by charging that Fulton bartered the chances of the New Brunswickers, not we may rest assured for something so unsubstantial as the conventional mess of pottage. Both men have been expelled from the crew, and a reorganization is spoken of. It is a disgraceful position to occupy, even to labor under the imputation; and if the charges can be substantiated the names of Price and Fulton will hereafter stink in the nostrils of every oarsman and friend and lover of aquatic sport. Such deeds are repulsive to the better side of human nature, and it is hoped that both Price and Fulton may establish their innocence of the charge. To believe that men who are entrusted with the honor of their country would stoop to such a dirty action, is to lose faith in the fabric of sport. No indictment of a stronger nature could be brought against them, and if established, the punishment will be such as never to be escaped from.

PROF. SMITH, V. S.

The following sketch of the esteemed Principal of the Ontario Veterinary College, is taken from the Canadian Illustrated News, of September 16.

"Prof. Andrew Smith, V. S., Principal of the Ontario Veterinary College, Toronto, is a native of Dalrymple, Ayrshire, Scotland, and his father, the late Mr. James Smith, was long well known as an enterprising and highly respectable farmer. Mr. Andrew Smith studied his profession under the late Prof. Dick, of Edinburgh, and graduated with highest honors, having during his course of study gained four medals, besides other prizes from the Highland and Agricultural

the Canadian Society of Toronto, and Past Master of St. Andrew's Lodge, A. F. and A. M., No. 16, G. R. C. of Canada."

Sporting Gossip.

Mr. Charley Boyle has taken Inspiration to Jerome Park.

Smuggler tried to beat 2:14 at Gardiner, away down in Maine, on Sept. 16. It was a half mile track in poor shape, and the best he could do was 2:26, 2:24, 2:29.

Johnny Dwyer, of Brooklyn, N. Y., is out with a challenge to Tom Allen or any other man. He offers to go anywhere to insure the "mill" coming off.

The Montreal Hunt Club will hold their Fall Steeple Chase Meeting at Blue Bonnets, on the 12th and 14th of October.

In the last Dominion statutes we find the following: "No person shall fish for, catch, kill buy, sell, or have in his possession any speckled trout, brook or river trout between the 15th day of September and the 1st day of January in each year, in this Province of Ontario."

Passion has been declared out of the Manhattan and Grand National Handicaps at Jerome Park this Fall.

A foot-ball club has been formed in Guelph, with D. W. Saunders, President; C. R. Dunsford, Vice-President; Somerville Secretary-Treasurer, and W. A. Frazer, Captain.

A Driving Park Association is talked of at Mitchell, Ont. Dr. Hornibrook is agitating the question.

Messrs. J. Eaight & Bro., of Dundas secured the first prize at the Provincial Exhibition for the best Roadster Stallion, 4 years old and upwards, with the chestnut horse Benedict, by Almont, dam Susie Spears, by Arabian Fysaul, imported from Kentucky last year. He is said to have been the best looking horse on the grounds.

A correspondent of the Spirit of the Times says the chestnut gelding, Dan, winner of the 8:00 and 2:50 classes at Point Breeze, Philadelphia, was Little Ethan from Canada. It is possible, however, for him to be mistaken.

The fine thoroughbred Osseo is offered for sale. He took first prize at Hamilton in the three year old class. He is a race horse of considerable merit, and we are advised he will be disposed off cheap. For particulars address as per advertisement.

Mr. James Phelan of Hamilton, is now the happy possessor in his own right, of the champion cue which he won at the billiard tournament in that city last spring. He had to hold it six months against all comers, and the time expired on September 18th.

A span of Dominion bred horses belonging to H. B. Kennedy, of London Township, which took a prize at the Centennial, has been sold for \$1,500.

Mr. Alex. Speirs of Owen Sound has received a letter from a gentleman in England offering to invest from £20,000 to £100,000 sterling in the business of exporting meat cattle and horses from Canada.

it could ever be devoted to any other purpose. In fact, if any one were to be told it was a billiard table he could hardly credit it as he would at once conclude that it was much too low. A bolt slides, however, the bed of the table turns over and, instead of the smooth surface of the polished walnut the astonished on-looker sees a billiard table with solid slate bed, first-class cushions, and the covering of Simon's cloth standing before him, at just the proper height. This ingeniously contrived piece of furniture costs only a little more than the bagatelle boards which are often introduced into houses where a billiard table is rejected solely on grounds of economy. The same gentlemen also exhibit the dwarf billiard table, to place upon an ordinary library or dining table. This is smaller and still cheaper than the combined reversible. A few racks of handsome cues, and a show case full of highly finished ivory billiard goods, complete this display, which has been awarded a first extra prize."

Veterinary.

ONTARIO VETERINARY ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Ontario Veterinary Medical Association was held in the Woodbine Hall, Merrick street, Hamilton, on the evening of Wednesday, of last week. Prof. Smith, the President of the society, presided. After the regular business of the society was transacted, the President stated that he had been requested to take part in the proceedings of the United States Veterinary Association, which was being held in Philadelphia this week, and he very much regretted his inability to attend owing to the Provincial Exhibition being held in this Province, but he had requested Mr. Duncan, V. S., of Goderich, to represent the Ontario Society at Philadelphia meeting. Mr. Elliott, V. S., of St. Catharines, then read an excellent paper on pleuro-pneumonia in a horse followed by hydro-thorax. Mr. Sterling, V. S., of Bradford, also read a paper on a case of poisoning, a result of eating poisonous herbs, and Mr. Brady, V. S., of Tilsonburg, read a communication on a disease which appeared among cows in his neighborhood last spring. After the reading of the papers an interesting and instructive discussion followed.

UNITED STATES VETERINARY ASSOCIATION.

The thirteenth annual meeting of this association was held at the American Veterinary College, No. 141 West Fifty-fourth street, New York, on Tuesday. A large number of the most brilliant lights of the profession met, among whom we noticed Professor McEachran, of the Montreal Veterinary College; Dr. Duncan, of Toronto Veterinary College; R. Wood, Lowell, Mass.; A. Lockhart, New York; J. Meyers, Cincinnati, O.; B. McInnes, Charleston, S. C.; R. Laidlaw, Albany, N. Y.; W. Bryden, Chelsea, Mass.; A. Holcombe, Plainfield, N. J.; J. Corlies, Newark, N. J.; L. V. Plageman, Brooklyn, N. Y.; J. F. Budd, New York; E. F. Thayer, West Newton, Mass.; T. H. Flagg, New Bedford, Mass.; Professor Law, of Cornell University. Professor A. Liantard occupied the chair, with T. S. Very, of Boston, Vice-President; J. D. Hopkins, of New York, Recording Secretary; C. P. Lyman, of Springfield, Mass., Corresponding Secretary; C. Burden, of New York, Treasurer. Several committees presented reports, which, without reading, were referred to an adjourned meeting, to be held in Philadelphia the next day. The Treasurer's report for the year was a gratifying one, showing the society had a balance on hand,