

Rochester, N. Y. Club.....June 26 to 28
 I. C. N. Y. Club.....July 3 to 5
 American Jockey Club.....July 2 to 16
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CANADIAN.

Montreal Hunt Club.....June 9
 Ottawa, Dom. Park.....June 27 to 29
 Exeter.....July 2 to 3
 Prescott.....July 2 to 3
 Orangeville (local).....July 2
 Montreal, Lepine Park.....June 11 to 13
 Exeter.....July 2 to 3
 Hamilton.....July 2 to 4
 Mt. Forest (local).....July 2
 Orangeville.....August —
 Mt. Forest.....Sept —
 Oshawa, Stallion Race.....Sept —
 Fergus.....Sept. 11 to 12
 Stallion Race.....Sept —
 Orangeville (opening).....

ENTRIES CLOSE.

Montreal, Lepine Park.....June 9
 Queen's Plate, Prescott.....June 11
 Ottawa, Dom. Park.....June 21
 Prescott (except Queen's Plate).....June 25
 Ogdenburg.....June 27
 Exeter.....June 30
 Colt Stake.....July 1
 Oshawa (Stallion Race).....August 15

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THE WOODBINE MEETING.

When a fine bill of fare is presented to a hungry man, it is but natural to suppose he will discuss it with more than ordinary satisfaction; and there must be some extreme reason when he can not appreciate the labors of his host. It was thus to a great extent with the late Woodbine Meeting. The managers had exhausted their efforts to please; the weather was delightful; the fields were large; the rank of the horses engaged considerably above the ordinary, and the different events hotly contested. The tariff of admission had been fixed at a popular rate, and everything that money could do or experience suggest was done to make it a success. The result, financially, is not such as to encourage the managers in their efforts to establish racing on a first-class, solid, reliable basis in Toronto. They are of the kind of metal, however, not to be discouraged by this result, and already we learn they have in contemplation quite a large meeting in August, for which a large amount of premium money will be offered.

But to speak more particularly of the meet-

ing which has taken place, we have an easier victory. It is not our intention to give a description of the race, but to only speak a few words on the verdict of the judges. The Dominion Rules forbid any outside evidence being taken in a matter of this kind; the offense must be visible to the judges, or the racing officials. We believe we are correct in saying they observed no offensive act on the part of Taylor; while the acts of violence of Wise were patent to every one on the track. If no further evidence than their own observation had been considered, Wise and the mare should certainly have sufficed, but the outside evidence was sufficient to convince the judges that Taylor had committed the foul complained of by Wise. In accepting this testimony the judges acted beyond the authority delegated to them by the law, but it was so strong as to leave but little, if any, doubt of the fact. This being accepted nothing could be done but to disqualify Paladin, and under the same rule, 84, Bruce was made a sharer in the penalty, on account of belonging to the same owner. The acts of violence of Wise were considered justifiable—were deemed retaliatory—and not deserving of censure. The result was, although Bruce beat the mare out, he was, with Paladin, disqualified for winning, the race given to Inspiration, and Morris placed second. Pools and bets on the race were declared off. The judgment appeared to give satisfaction to the public, but was very faulty in racing law. In the first place Rule 5 provides "they (the judges) shall receive no evidence in regard to foul riding except from the racing officials;" Rule 84 states "if, during the running of a race, a jockey does any act of violence to another jockey or horse * * * his horse is disqualified for winning;" and Rule 1, of the Betting Rules, says "no pools or bets shall be declared off except for fraud." Now on these three points the judges evidently were wrong. They admit not seeing Taylor commit any improper act, that assertion being established by outside evidence which was not admissible; they saw Wise use his whip on Taylor, and hold him guiltless; and declare pools and bets off when there was not even a suspicion of a fraud. That their verdict was expedient is shown by the favor with which it was received, but that it was not correct in principle the above extracts which cover the law of the case fully show.

Taylor was ruled off, a penalty that should have been inflicted on some of the strong-armed trotting horse drivers who showed their wonderful pulling power immediately in front of the stand. The disorganized state of the turf in Canada renders such a penalty comparatively harmless, as it is not probable there is another course in the country that will respect the rulings at Woodbine. We have exhausted ourselves in pleading for some organization to that end, and last week's meeting at Woodbine shows it to be necessary.

Mr. C. J. Alloway, V.S., of Montreal, recently purchased from Mr. Vissman, of Kentucky, the bay colt Leamingtonian, 4 years, by imp. Leamington, dam Mollie by Lexington, for \$500. Leamingtonian started six times last year, but was not successful in getting to the front, his best effort being second in the Galt House Stakes, at Louisville, Ky., Sept. 26, 2-mile heats, won by Harry Hill in 8:41½, 8:41½.

ous entrants; but most of them are well known, and some of them have provincial reputations. The proportion of fresh horses is quite large, and will add greater interest to the race. Some of them have yet to face the starter, but their debut may prove an astonishing one to the public. In another issue we will revert to the subject at greater length.

ENTRIES CLOSE FOR QUEEN'S PLATE, PRESCOTT, MONDAY, JUNE 11TH.

ENTRIES CLOSE FOR LEPINE PARK, SATURDAY, JUNE 9TH.

Sporting Gossip.

This week we are over run with racing summaries to the exclusion of more interesting reading matter. All our other departments suffer in consequence of this plethora. The records of the races are valuable historically, and our readers will have to suffer the infliction for this week.

At Jerome Park on Tuesday, Fugitive, Tom Ochiltree, Zoo-Zoo, Shylcock, and Trouble were the winners. We have not space for the summary.

Mr. Sanford's Bay Final has gone lame, and has been scratched from all his engagements.

Mr. John Forbes offers to run his horse Bill Bruce against Inspiration, 1½ miles, at Woodbine, even weights up (thus giving the mare a year), staking \$1,000 against \$600, at any time on a week's notice.

Mr. Foster, of Newcastle, informs us that the dam of Pilot has dropped a fine foal by Hyder Ali.

It is announced Long Branch Races will commence on June 30.

Sexton beat Joe Dion on May 31 at New York, for the billiard championship by a score of 600 to 442.

The race for the Oaks stakes was won by Placida, Belphoebe second, Muscabel third.

Mr. J. Hanlan, a brother of the champion oarsman, won a gold medal in a sculler's race on Saturday afternoon on the bay here, beating Hudson, silver medal, and four others. Since then a match has been made between the winner and Mr. John Adair to row 2 miles for \$200 this Friday morning at 10 o'clock.

Blink Bonnie, by Jerome Edgar, dam Pasta by Revenue, has been bred to Mr. Forbes' trotting stallion Combination.

Owens out-wrestled Jake Martin in New York, on the 30th ult., and is now the recognized champion.

Quite a lot of interesting racing matter has been crowded out this week.

Did you have a Goldfinch Mutual ticket? was a frequent enquiry at Woodbine on the second day of the races.

The Dundas Driving Park is advertised for sale by public auction. It is the most elegantly situated and completely fitted half-mile track in Canada. Read the advertisement.

Mr. A. Z. Blodgett, of Waukegan, Ill., has recently purchased a heavy Clydesdale stallion in Canada.

A first-class half-mile track has been built at Woodville, Ont., and the inaugural meeting will be held on July 2. The Secretary informs us full particulars will be given in SPORTING TIMES.

The Lacrosse match of the season—Toronto vs. Shamrocks—will be played on the Toronto ground, on Saturday afternoon.

Remember the entries for the Queen's Plate close June 11.

Amusements.

CITY.

Amusements in the city are very dull, the hot weather and pleasant evenings operating prejudicially to the houses now open. At the Grand the Swedish Lady Quartette have been attracting refined audiences who have been charmed with the wonderful harmony of the voices of the Swedish ladies. They closed on Wednesday.

The Queen's is offering a large programme this week. Several new stars in the variety firmament scintillated for the first time this week in Toronto. The price of admission has been reduced to 10 cents, an innovation that should fill the house if it does not put money in the treasury.

P. T. Barnum, with his great World's Show, will show here to-day and to-morrow, giving two exhibitions each day—afternoon and evening. The grand procession will pass through the principal streets each morning about 10 o'clock.

GENERAL.

MONTREAL.—The Academy of Music was opened on Monday evening by Max Strakosch as lessee, and John Norton as acting manager. Lotta, the peerless, was the star, in her play of Musette, supported by John Ellsler's Dramatic Company.—Hartz, the magician, commenced a season of one week at Mechanics' Hall on June 4.—Miss Thursby, under the management of Maurice Strakosch, sang at the Rink on June 1.

LONDON.—The Skaughraun Company closed a good season here on Saturday night last.

GODERICH.—Sophie Miles and Company have been playing to good business here. The team ran away with the band the other day, hurting the leader of orchestra, but not seriously.

Correspondence.

We would particularly request our correspondents and advertisers to send their favors as early in the week as possible—so that they will reach us by Wednesday morning. We are unable to use many items sent us in consequence of not receiving them in time for the issue intended.

INGERSOLL.—A valuable colt by Fearnought Gift, belonging to Mr. James Miller, got badly staked a day or two ago. The flesh was torn completely off the bone just above the right knee. Mr. Miller is afraid that the colt will never be sound again. Mr. Edward Golding's mare by Catch dropped a beautiful filly last Wednesday. He has already refused \$100 in gold for the suckling.

Mr. Edward Golding claims the name of Fearnought Maid for his filly, by Fearnought Gift, he by Western Fearnought, foaled May 30th, 1877.

A son of Mr. Dempster, manager of Molson's Bank, sustained a severe injury on Friday by a fall from his horse, having his collar bone broken.

People in this part hope that the SPORTING TIMES Stallion Race will be trotted towards the end of September, as it is hardly fair shakes for a horse that has served 70 or 80 mares to compete against those who have only served 10, and who are trotting now, without some little time for training.—TOR WRIGHT.

To Correspondents.

NIMROD.—Thanks for report; but you will see we have already published an account of the races. We have a correspondent's card out in your city which will not expire until July 1. Until then we could make no arrangements, but shall be pleased to hear from you at any time.

the lead, but the stout and speedy son of Quirer still had run in him, and making a splendid burst as Maritime reached his skirts, he held him there as they swept under the wire in 1:45½, though Kelle taking it out of the gelding with whip and rein. Inspiration was saved the next heat, Wise taking her in hand soon as he had had a taste of Bruce's quail on the upper turn. The second and concluding heat was very like the first, except that the struggle at the finish was between Maritime and Inspiration for second place the stallion taking first handsily by a length and the gelding beating the mare only a throatlash. Time—1:49.

As will be seen by the summary the and-a-quarter dash for Dominion maidens fell to Sunnyside who had a rather easy time of it going to the front and at last staying there to the finish. Time—2:30. Amelia was a good second, and Sir John after lagging hopelessly for the first three quarters, cut down Hurricane and Bazon in the last half, finishing a good third. Hurricane, who had broken away from the leader and pumped himself out, came fourth, Bazon last.

In order to have a full account of the meeting in one issue, we re-publish the summaries given last week.

WOODBINE PARK, Toronto, May 30th, 1877. Purse \$200.—Trotting; 2:40 class; mile heats; 3 in 5, in harness. \$120, 40, 25, 15.

R Reid's b g Barlow..... 1 1 1
 R Wilson's ch m Tempest..... 10 2 2
 W Kennedy's ch g Avenue Boy..... 2 7 7
 John Mitchell's b m Welland Girl..... 3 10 3
 E A Jones' b g Caractacus..... 8 8 8
 E Dean's b g Hulet..... 11 11 11
 J Bradburn's g g Monk Boy..... 4 11 4
 B Turnbull's ch g Aurora Boy..... 6 6 6
 John Fleming's ch m Jenny Vincent..... 7 7 7
 John Forbes' ch l Golden Farmer..... 9 9 9
 R C Stinson's ch g Nelson Chief..... 5 5 5
 J Bradburn's br g Black Bear..... & & &
 Time—2:36½, 2:34½, 2:34½.

Same Day.—Purse \$250. Running; mile heats; open to all; Dominion-bred stallions; \$175, 50, 25.

John Forbes' br h Bill Bruce, 5 yrs, by Inspirer, dam Aurora Lady, 110 lbs. Blazed in Fishar & Carson's b r Maritime, 5 yrs, by Jack Lane, dam by imp Saladin, 97 lbs. 10 lbs.
 C Boyle's br m Inspiration, 6 yrs, by Westminster, dam Sophia, 113 lbs. 10 lbs.
 Time—1:45½, 1:49.

Same Day.—Purse \$200.—Running; trotting; minion-bred maidens; dash of 1½ miles. 30, 20, 10.

C Boyle's br m Sunnyside, 6 yrs, by Inspiration, dam Augusta, 113 lbs. 10 lbs.
 Jas Morgan's b f Amelia, 3 yrs, by Inspirer, dam Lizzie Wright, 87 lbs. 10 lbs.
 C Bay's ch g Sir John, 5 yrs, by Liberty, dam Mary Mansfield, 107 lbs. 10 lbs.
 W E Owen's g g Hurricane, 6 yrs, by Inspirer, dam Julia Adams, 113 lbs. 10 lbs.
 John Griffin's br m Bazon, 5 yrs, by Inspirer, dam unknown, 107 lbs. 10 lbs.
 Time—2:19½.

SECOND DAY.

The attendance on the second day was better than on Wednesday, and the weather and track were almost all that could be wished for, though lack of moisture had the effect of so developing the "sandy" part of the composite of which the track is made and rendered it somewhat heavier than has been desired. This remark would apply to the whole four days, however, a sprinkle of Saturday had no perceptible effect.

WOODBINE PARK, Toronto, May 31, 1877. Purse \$200.—Trotting; 2:30 class. Mile heats; 3 in 5, in harness. \$130, 40, 25, 15.

Geo Clarkson's g g Grey Eddie..... 2 11 11
 Forbes and Burgess' blk g J H Boyle..... 2 11 11
 E A Jones' b g Caractacus..... 1 11 11
 W Kennedy's ch g Avenue Boy..... 5 11 5
 D Mahony's ch g Sir Henry..... 6 11 6
 A Porteous' b g Little Sam..... 4 11 4
 John Fleming's ch m Jenny Vincent..... & & &
 Time—2:44½, 2:40, 2:37½, 2:40, 2:40.