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DATES CLAIMED FOR 1876.

AMERICAN.	
Ogdenburgh	Sept. 26 to 29
Jerome Park (Running).....	Sept. 30 to Oct. 14
Pottstown, Pa	Oct. 3 to 6
Washington, D.C. (Running).....	Oct. 24 to 27

CANADIAN.	
Forgus	Sept. 27 to 29
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.	
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. 8
Freeport, Ill	July 31 to Aug. 3
Rochester, N. Y.....	2d week in Aug.
Prophetstown, Ill	2d "
Tiskilwa, Ill	2d "
Utica, N. Y.....	3d "
Eariville, Ill.....	4th "

Correspondents and others will remember the change of our office, No. 90 King-St. West, Toronto, as 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

the track, performing work to the satisfaction of his customers, but under a decision of "pools off," is compelled to repay the tickets in full, and his labor, time, and investment in the track are subjects deemed unworthy of remuneration. He has no control of the issue of the event, but is made to suffer a severe pecuniary penalty of others, who go unpunished. So glaringly inconsistent is this in principle that some of the leading American sporting papers call for a reform in this practice, and boldly claim that the percentage should, in all cases, be deducted; while some of them go so far as to advocate that pools under all circumstances should go with the race, in fact, that the power of declaring pools off should be taken out of the hands of the judges altogether. This would be a reformation with a vengeance, and one which in the present state of the public mind would hardly meet with the approbation its introducers anticipate. From the tenor of the press, however, it is quite plain to be seen that some change in the system is likely to be introduced by which Associations will at least be able to protect themselves. If the change should come into force in the States, its adoption would immediately follow in this country.

ENTRIES CLOSE FOR DOMINION PARK, OTTAWA, SEPTEMBER 30TH.

FAST TIME.

The world continues to move, and in no place, probably, faster than in racing circles. During the past season some of the fastest time chalked on the blackboard of time has been accomplished. Goldsmith Maid at Buffalo, placed to her credit the three fastest consecutive heats ever trotted in a race; and the mighty Smuggler has reduced the stallion record, in the trotting register, very rapidly. In the running classes the same relative increase in speed is not observable, though it will readily be believed the horses of to-day 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 Holton 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 1:47½, the second in 1:49, and the third in 1:50, making the three miles in 5:26½. 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 5:27½, 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 103 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 Followercraft's four mile time, 7:19½. 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

tent as to be hardly recovered from its effects yet. Had the scoundrels been a little more careful in their choice, the people of Canada, and the citizens of Toronto especially, would have been robbed of the proud honor they now enjoy of having the champion sculler among them one of themselves—native and to the manor born. Words fail to convey the depth of wickedness which this horrid attempt shows; and this small meed of punishment its perpetrators would receive in the failure of their diabolical scheme is in no way commensurate with the crime. Detection is now impossible, and the thugs who planned it are free from the arm of the law, and have only the consciousness of the failure of their attempt as a reminder of their iniquity. Haulon is to be congratulated on his good fortune in this affair, and it is hoped it will never desert him; while his friend has the sympathy of the champion's admirers, and his expression "it was better I should get it than Ned," shows a disposition of the right sort, and a heart that can be depended on in the hour of adversity.

QUITE A LOSS.

Owing to the postponement of the 2:35 trot at Woodbine over the time allowed by the Rules under which the race was conducted, the Association must have met with a severe loss in percentage money on the pools. It has been asserted that fully \$12,000 were in the box pending the result of the race. It would be folly to attempt to hide the dissatisfaction which was caused by the way in which the affair was managed. When it became known the race was postponed until Saturday, and the rules provided the pools, under this circumstance, were draws, they should have been repaid immediately and their redemption not put off until after the race. The rules must have been as well understood on Monday afternoon as they were on the Saturday following, and the dissatisfaction caused by holding the money could have been well avoided. There seems 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 stick in

Society of Scotland, embracing anatomy, chemistry, and the best general examination on all subjects. He was also awarded the silver medal for highest honours in Dr. Stevenson Macadam's class at the College of Surgeons. He was Secretary to the Dalrymple Farmer's Society for several years previous to beginning studies, and Secretary to the Edinburgh Veterinary Medical Society for the session of 1860-61, elected by an unanimous vote. For some time previous to 1861, the Board of Agriculture, of Upper Canada, saw the necessity of promoting the veterinary profession in this country, and through communication with the late Prof. Dick, Mr. Smith was induced to come to this country and begin the practice of his profession in the city of Toronto, and also to give a course of lectures on veterinary medicine in connection with P. F. Buckland's agricultural class in the University, with the view of forming an institute that might be termed a Veterinary School. The course of study was gradually increased, and as it was necessary to have proper accommodation for the teaching of veterinary students, in 1869 Mr. Smith erected the building on Temperance street, known as the Ontario Veterinary College. This college has proved the most successful veterinary institution on this continent, evidenced by the number of its graduates, close on two hundred, who are in successful practice throughout Canada and the United States. Owing to the great increase in students it has again been found necessary to enlarge the buildings, and at present the additions in the course of erection will make it one of the most complete institutions in America.

Mr. Smith as well as being an accomplished veterinarian, is also considered one of the best horsemen in Canada, and has shown his judgment in the selection of stock, by the importation of several of our finest thoroughbreds.

Prof. Smith may justly be termed the pioneer of the veterinary profession in this country, as by his energy and perseverance as a teacher, and by his success and straightforwardness as a practitioner, he has done much to elevate the profession in Canada, and to bring it to the position which it occupies to-day.

Prof. Smith is President of the Ontario Veterinary Medical Association which was formed in 1874, and now numbers some one hundred members; he is also President of the Caledonian 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 2:26½, 2:24½, 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. Hornbrook is agitating the question.

Messrs. J. Enright & 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 Fysal, imported from Kentucky last year. He is said to have been the best looking horse on the grounds.

The La Roy Driving Park Association give a Fall Meeting on October 2nd, 4th and 5th. The premiums amount to \$1,575.

Mr. Harold Lambe, of the Argonaut Boat Club, and Mr. James Pearson of the Toronto Lacrosse Club, of this city, are entered in several of the races and games under the auspices of the New York Athletic Club, at Mott Haven, to-morrow, 30th inst.

MOUNT FOREST RACES.

The inaugural meeting of the Mount Forest Driving Park Association will be held on October 9th and 10th. The track, we are assured, is equal to any of its class in the country, and a hearty welcome will be extended to horsemen and visitors. There are seven events to be decided; three on the first day, and four on the second. Two of the races are of a local nature, the balance being open. Both trotters and runners are provided for. Dominion Rules govern the running and National Association the trotting. Entries close on Friday, Oct. 6, at five o'clock, p. m. There is every prospect of a large attendance at the opening.

Billiards.

THE DISPLAY AT HAMILTON.

One of the most interesting displays in the Crystal Palace at the Provincial Exhibition, Hamilton, was that made by Messrs. Riley & May, billiard table manufacturers, of this city. The Mail speaks of it as follows:—

"Messrs. Riley & May, of Toronto, make a fine display in this department with their assortment of appliances for the game of billiards. First on the list is a very handsomely finished table of their very best style. Next in size but not in importance perhaps comes their reversible combined dining and billiard table. Used as a dining table this makes an elegant piece of furniture, and no one who had not seen it reversed would imagine that 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 belt 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 Simoni'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 fol-