

DATES CLAIMED FOR 1876.

AMERICAN.

Freeport, Ill.	May 30 to June 2
Leroy, N.Y.	May 30 to June 1
Am. Jockey Club, N.Y. (alter- nate days)	June 8 to 17
Lawrenceville, Mich.	June 6 to 8
Medina, N.Y.	June 6 to 8
Cambridge City, Ind.	June 6 to 8
Grand Rapids, Mich.	June 13 to 15
Hager, N.Y.	June 13 to 15
Lafayette, N.Y.	June 13 to 15
Flint, N.Y.	June 13 to 15
Freeport, Ill.	June 13 to 17
Jackson, Mich.	June 20 to 23
Freeport, Ind.	June 20 to 23
Syracuse, N.Y.	June 20 to 22
Point Breeze, Philadelphia	June 24 to 28
Watertown, N.Y.	June 27 to 29
East Saginaw, Mich.	June 27 to 30
Wilkes Barre, Pa.	June 28 to 30
Long Branch, Philadelphia	July
Chicago, Ill.	June 30 to July 4
Dayton, Ohio	July 8 to 6
Ogdensburg, N.Y.	July 4 to 8
Detroit, Mich.	July 11 to 14
Forest Park, Cincinnati	July 11 to 14
Newark, N.Y.	July 12 to 15
Chicago, Ill.	July 18 to 21
Cleveland, O.	July 25 to 28
Carleton Place, Ont.	Aug.
Freeport, Ill.	Aug. 8 to 11
Buffalo	1st week in Aug
Rochester	2nd "
Utica	3rd "
Mendota, Ill.	3rd "
Poughkeepsie, N.Y.	4th "
Earlville, Ill.	4th "
Hartford, Conn.	Aug. 29 to Sept 1
Springfield, Mass.	Sept. 5 to 8
Myatie Park, Boston	Sept. 12 to 15
Am. Jockey Club, N.Y. (alter- nate days)	Oct. 8 to 14

CANADIAN.

Whitby	June 5 to 6
Woodstock, Ont.	June 7 to 8
London	" 14 to 15
Chatham	" 21 to 22
Hamilton (match)	June 23
Hamilton	June 29 to July 1
Exeter	June 30 to July 1
Aurora	June 30 to July 1
Woodbine (match)	June 8
Montreal (holiday)	July 1
Oshawa	July 6 to 7
St. Hyacinthe, P.Q.	July 11 to 12
Montreal (regular)	July
Barrie (match)	Sept. 15
Canadian Station Race	Sept

ENTRIES CLOSE.

AMERICAN.

Grand Rapids, Mich.	June 7
Ogdensburg, N.Y.	June 21

CANADIAN.

Aurora	June 29
Canadian Station Race	June 1
Whitby	June 1
Woodstock	June 8
London	June 12
Hamilton	June 28
Exeter	June 27

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

A PREJUDICE.

When anything new is introduced tending to throw the current of affairs out of a time-honored channel, it is sure to be looked upon with a certain amount of want of confidence in its results as compared with the more venerable system. The workings of the novelty in many cases surprise its intro-ducers in their effectiveness; and in other instances the test of time shows it wanting in some essential element, and it is consequently relegated. The test of success is the usefulness, and in its proportion to that it becomes more or less popular. Years gone by it was supposed to be impossible almost to have a good race meeting on anything but a mile track; but recent events, recent in years

always have shown superior to its more lengthened rival in having the horses pass the stand twice as frequently. With the experience of the past few years, it can be safely said the half-mile track has made great inroads in the affections of horsemen.

THE ENTRIES FOR WOODSTOCK RACES CLOSE SATURDAY EVENING NEXT, JUNE 8.

LATE DECISIONS.

At the recent meeting of the Board of Appeals of the National Associations held at Cleveland, Ohio, the following decisions affecting Canadians were given:—

580. G. W. Fanning, Belleville, Ontario, Can., ex-parte.—Application for the removal of the expulsion of the b m Eva, alias Georgia, alias Ruth, alias Ella Millard.—Application denied.

545. Mutchmor Park Trotting Association, Ottawa, Can., ex-parte.—Application for an order.—The Mutchmor Park Trotting Association advertised a meeting, to be governed by the rules of the National Association, and, pending the exhibition, they perfected their membership. When their entries closed they embraced several whose names were included in the list of penalties in force, and who were thereby disqualified to enter on the grounds of a member, of which fact the Association had not then received official notice. In administering their meeting, the Association imposed a fine and several expulsions for fraud and misconduct, on persons and horses whose names were included in the aforesaid list, and application was made to have such additional penalties established with other members through the records and notices of the National Association. Although the rules make such suspended and expelled entries ineligible on the course and grounds of each and every member, and the Board of Appeals have decided that members have no right to receive such entries, and if received they are void from the beginning, yet it has been decided that parties shall be held to warrant their entries to be eligible, and the Board now hold that parties who are ineligible cannot be allowed by reason thereof to escape the penalty of frauds committed on the grounds of members. Considering, therefore, the facts and circumstances presented, the Board

Ordered, That the Secretary be and he is instructed to record and issue notice of the penalties imposed and recited in the order of the Mutchmor Park Trotting Association.

A NEW TROTTING CLUB.

Every indication points to the increased interest which is being taken in turf events in Canada. It was only a few days ago we drew attention to a number of new tracks under construction, and to-day it devolves upon us to add a new trotting club to the numerous racing associations throughout the country. At a meeting recently held in Renaud's hotel, Murray street, Ottawa, it was decided by a number of gentlemen who take an interest in sporting matters, to organize a Trotting Club. Mr. Lauzon was called to the chair, and Mr. A. Robillard was requested act as Secretary-Treasurer pro tem. After some discussion it was agreed to lease a lot of 26 acres of land on the Montreal Road, opposite Lafleur's hotel, for a number of years, and convert it into a trotting park. A subscription was opened up, and a good sum was subscribed on the spot. Twenty-six persons joined the club, after which the meeting dispersed.

THE "BANK ATHLETIC SPORTS."

[Communicated.]

Never, perhaps, has the Banking community in this City been so stirred up and excited as it has been since the idea was first promulgated of holding for the first time "Bank Athletic Sports." To those gentlemen who first set about getting up these games the greatest praise is due, they have worked against difficulties and obstacles

we hope sincerely the bankers will have as good a day as they expect in every way.

WOODSTOCK.

Before another issue of the SPORTING TIMES is placed in the hands of its readers the Spring Meeting of the Woodstock Association will be one of the things passed. On next Wednesday and Thursday the events announced over that track will have an issue. We have before spoken of the merits of the programme and the standing of the Club, and have only to add the track shows to fine advantage the amount of money which has been expended in its improvements. To the "regular" it is unnecessary to speak of the quality of sport usually seen at Woodstock; suffice it to say, it is looked upon as one of our leading Associations, and has the hearty practical support of an extensive agricultural section, and the esteem of all those who have been brought in contact with it.

DEATH OF ERIN QUEEN.

Mr. M. G. Lamplins, of Lockport, N. Y., informs us that the famous brood mare Erin Queen died at that place on Sunday, 21st May. She was by imported Charon, dam by imported Blacklock; 2nd dam by Sir Henry. Investigations as to her pedigree established the fact that Blacklock was imported from England under the name of Fidget, but owing to the fact of never being able to get answers from her breeder, the Sir Henry horse has not been properly identified. It is said that, in her younger days her owner both run and trotted her, and she was very successful in both classes. She was attacked with acute indigestion, and the post mortem examination revealed the fact that in her struggles, causing death. It also showed she was carrying a fine filly foal by Country Gentleman, by Rydyk's Hambletonian. She was a mare of wonderful endurance, a magnificent roadster and of never failing courage. All her foals possessed the trotting faculty to a remarkable extent. She was purchased by Messrs. Lamplins & West, of the Niagara Stock Farm, Lockport, at the sale of the Aurora stock company in September, 1872. Her produce, so far as has come to our knowledge, is as follows:—

—Erin Chief, by Howe's Royal George.
1872.—Bik e Gen Canby, by Whalebone Messenger.
1873.—Gr f Scotess, by Winfield Scott.
1874.—Dead twins, by Seythian.
1875.—Missed to Country Gentleman.
1876.—Dead.

LONDON RACES.

The programme for London Races is given in our advertising columns to-day. The amount hung up for competition is \$1,600, and is divided among eight events, two trotting and two running races being announced for each day. A peculiarity about the bill is that the purse money in each of the races is the same, \$200. The races will take place over the Newmarket Course in that city, on Wednesday and Thursday, June 14th and 15th. For the first day there are trotting purses for Dominion bred horses that have never started in a race; and for 2:50 class: the running races being a dash of 1½ miles for Dominion bred; and a dash of 2 miles free for all. 3-minute Dominion bred and 2:32 horses are provided for in the second day, while the runners have allotted to them a Dominion 2-mile dash, and a mile heat race, open to all. The bill will be sure to attract attention. Entrance 10 per cent. of first money only. Conditional entries will not under any consideration be received. The entries close on 12th June, and horses must be eligible at that time. Read the bill for yourself.

WHITBY RACES.

On account of the postponement of Woodbine Races until this week, the Whitby Association were in consequence obliged to change their dates from those originally announced until Monday and Tuesday of next week. The programme and conditions will be found in their proper place in to-day's paper. It was the intention of the Managers of this meeting to postpone until some convenient time next month, but as the lease of

tioned in last week's paper, the managers of Woodbine Park substituted an extra day's racing on the 24th for the regular programme of that day. Considerable disappointment was shared in by many who came from a distance, expecting the regular races advertised to come off. The Association did all in their power to keep faith with the public, and made the best of a bad job by furnishing the day's sport. The attendance was certainly flattering to the Club; while the order maintained was appreciated by the spectators. Stimulating beverages and fakers were conspicuous by their absence, which doubtless did much to contribute to the pleasure of the afternoon. The weather was beautiful and the track in much better condition than could have been anticipated. Speculation on the events was rather flat. The afternoon's programme opened with the Hunters' Stake, a steeplechase, dash of about two miles over the regular cross-country course. In this Magnet sold for about even up against the field. The start was fair, and Boney and Magnet topped the first hurdle together, Sterling being in the rear; at the second hurdle Sterling refused, and from that place was out of the race. Boney held the lead throughout, jumping nicely, and winning handily. Magnet made a brush for the lead when running home, but could not catch her rival. The following is the summary:—

Woodbine Park, Toronto, May 24.—Steeplechase. Hunters' Stake. Sweepstake of \$16 each, half forfeit, with \$150 added. Open to half-bred horses; gentleman riders; heavy welter weights. Second horse to receive \$50 out of the stake; balance to winner. About two miles.

F Pearson's b g Boney, by Ruric, 4 yrs, 141 lbs. Defries 1
F Davy's b m Magnet, by Jack the Barber, 5 yrs, 147 lbs. Capt Grant 2
Capt Poole's b g Sterling, aged, 153 lbs Owner 0

The half-mile heat race brought out a good field. Before the race Hemisphere and Maratime were picked out in the pools, selling for about \$10 each, and the field bringing \$15.

On getting the word Mont eal jumped away with the lead, the rest well together. This position was maintained until the head of the stretch, when Galvantesse forged ahead and won what was a good heat.

Second Heat.—Montreal away first again, leading for about half way, when Hemisphere, Maratime and Pilot came up, and the first-named forged ahead; about midway down the stretch Pilot made a rush for the lead, but Taylor on Hemisphere coolly pulled across the track to the outside, cutting off Pilot; Hemisphere was first at the wire, a dead heat for second place between Maratime and Pilot. Hemisphere was distanced for the foul. This is not the first time Master Taylor has tried his little games at Woodbine, it is hoped he will be a little careful in future, as for the next infraction it might be politic for the Judges to disqualify him, a penalty he will richly deserve if he offends after this warning.

Third Heat.—All off on even terms, but Pilot quickly worked ahead and won the heat easily. Fourth Heat.—The race was now Pilot's, bar accident. Galvantesse had the best of the send off, but the chestnut soon overhauled her and won the heat with hands down. The summary follows:—

Same Day.—Running. Province bred, Purse \$250. Half-mile heats, T.C.W. \$200, 50.
F Martin, ch g Pilot, 5 yrs, by Jack the Barber, dam by Pilot, 107 lbs. 3 0 1 1
J Morgan, b m Galvantesse, 6 yrs, by Somersault, dam unknown 1 4 2 2
J Lannan, b g Maratime, 4 yrs, by Jack Lane, dam by imported Sambo, 101 lbs. 5 0 4 3
A Fisher, b g Montreal, aged, by Thunder, dam Miss Shanly by Lepidist, 113 lbs. 2 5 3 0
C Boyle, b g Hemisphere, 5 yrs, by Harper, dam unknown, 113 lbs. 4 dis
Time—:55½, :57½, :56½, :58½.

The open steeplechase which had three entries finished the day's bill. In the betting Kelson had the call against the field. Kelson and Magnet got away with the lead, The Judge (an unaccountably whim in charging the name of Judge Pryor) as is his usual custom, sulking and buck jumping when the word was given. Finally the latter was started when the others appeared to have a hopeless lead, but being well handled and full of run was soon up with the

hurdles, 8 ft 6 in. Light welter weights. \$225, 50.

Fisher & Carson, b g Kelson, aged, by Voucher, dam Kate Leonard; 141 lbs. McBride 1
Forbes & Burgess, ch h Major Macon, 6 yrs, by War Dance, dam Mary Cass; 144 lbs. 2
C Boyle, ch h Helen Bennett, 5 yrs, by Ulverston, dam Helen Douglas; 135 lbs. 3
Time—4:10.

Same Day.—Running.—Park Plate; \$375. Dash of 1½ miles. Open to all. \$320, 75.

J Forbes, ch h Vicksburg, 4 yrs, by Vandal, dam Bloudin, 104 lbs. Thain 1
C Boyle, br m Inspiration, 5 yrs, by Westminster, dam Sophia, 107 lbs. 2
J Scott, b m Passion, 6 yrs, by Red Eye, dam Sympathy, 113 lbs. 3
Time—2:45½.

Same Day.—Running.—Queen's Plate, value 50 guineas, with a sweepstake of \$10 each, half forfeit; 50 per cent. of stake to go with plate, balance to second horse. Dash of 1½ miles.

Mr Peters, br m Norah B, aged, by The Tester, dam Fleetwood by Sir Tattler, 113 lbs. Cook 1
C Boyle, br m Sunnyside (for Emma P), 5 yrs, by Touchstone, dam Augusta, 107 lbs. 2
J Scott, gr h Grey Cloud, 5 yrs, by Thunder, dam unknown, 110 lbs. 3
C E Bay, ch m Sunbeam, 5 yrs, by Jack the Barber, dam by Pilot, 107 lbs. 0
C E Bay, ch c Sir John, 4 yrs, by Liberty, dam Mary Mansfield, 104 lbs. 0
F McEwan, b g Pilot Jr, 5 yrs, by Extra, dam by Pilot, 107 lbs. 0
Williamson, b h Harper Jr, 5 yrs, by Harper, 110 lbs. 0
A Simpson, br m Fisherman, aged, by Jack the Barber, dam by Wagner, 113 lbs. 0
F Lowell, b m Mary L, 5 yrs, by Melbourne Jr, 107 lbs. d'q
Time—2:52.

English Turf.

THE ENGLISH DERBY.

The Derby was run on Wednesday afternoon, 31st ult., and we are able to give the following summary by telegraph. Petrarch was the favorite at 2 to 1 against him; the winner being in the market at 4 to 1.

Renewal of the Derby Stakes of 50 sovs. each, h ft, for 3-year-olds; colts 8 st 10 lbs, fillies 8 st 5 lbs; about 1½ mile. The owner of the second received 300 sovs, and the third 150 sovs. 227 subs.

Mr A Balthazzi's b c Kisber, by Buccaneer—Mineral. 1
Duke of Westminster's b c Forerunner, by the Earl of Palmer. 2
Capt Macchell's b c Julius Caesar, by St Albans 3
Lord Depplin's b c Petrarch, by Lord Clifden 4

The following started but were not placed:—Wisdom, Father Claret, All Heart, Bay Wyndham, Skylark, Great Tom, Coltness, Hadrada, Braconnier, Advance, Wild Tommy. Time—2:44

It is announced the fine Province bred mare Emily injured herself the other day while exercising to such an extent as will prevent the possibility of her starting at Woodbine. This will be a great disappointment to many, who expected great things this season from the speedy daughter of Terror.

Mr. S. H. Defries, of this city, has purchased from Mr. Jas. Lannon the speedy province-bred Islander. The consideration was not made public.

Messrs. Burgess & Forbes, of Woodstock, have secured the running qualities of the mare Galvantesse for the coming season. She is undoubtedly very fast, and in their hands she may be expected to surpass her former efforts.

Hanlan and London met at our office on Saturday last and drew up and signed articles of agreement to row three-fourths of a mile for \$400, about the middle of the month.

An extensive sale of valuable thoroughbred Horned Cattle, Horses, and Pigs is advertised by Mr. C. F. Elwes, Montreal, to take place on the 10th inst., at that city.

Mr. John Esmonde, Ottawa, appears to be in bad luck. Only last week we had a paragraph where he was tossed by the cow with the crumpled horn; and this week we learn from the Ottawa papers that while out with the Hunt club, the mare Lady Maud which he was riding fell, and rolling on him sprained his shoulder severely. Lady Maud injured her leg.