

Aquatic.

ON THE KENNEBECASIS.

MANLAN PROVES HIS SUPERIORITY.—ROSS FALLS OVERBOARD.

St. John, N.B., July 31.—The match rowed to-day between Edward Hanlan, of Toronto, Champion of America, and Wallace Ross, of St. John, N.B., originally fixed for the 25th inst., but seven times postponed by reason of rough water and stormy weather, was made immediately after Hanlan's victory over Blasted in May, though the date was not definitely fixed until the eve of the Hanlan-Morris race on the 20th of June. Ross was not satisfied with his defeat by Hanlan at Toronto on the 18th of October last, and accordingly Mr. George Barker and others of his backers determined to give him another chance. Ross began training early in the spring. He refused to accept a challenge from Warren Smith, of Halifax, in May, declaring that he would not row another race until he had at least attempted to turn the tables on the Toronto oarsman. The stakes in this race were \$1,000, Hanlan being allowed to \$250 for expenses. Mayor Kello was stakeholder and Sheriff Harding referee.

Hanlan arrived here on the 8th inst., fresh from the triumphs at Brookville on the 1st and Cape Vincent, N. Y., on the 4th. Mr. J. F. Scholes, of Toronto, the well-known athlete, and Jimmy Heasley, his trainer and boatman, came with him, and after receiving a royal welcome here the party bade adieu to the city and took up their quarters at Widow McGowan's on the Kennebecasis. Curiously enough Hanlan occupied the room in that hostelry where James Renforth, champion of England breathed his last on the morning of the 23rd of August, 1871, but the Toronto oarsman is a youth of glacial imperturbability and no respecter of omens. Ross's quarters were at Gudard's. He was trained by his brother Ned, taking occasional runs to the city and practising in the harbor when the river was rough. Ross had ordered a boat from Swaddle & Winship, but through some misunderstanding as to the date of the race, it was not shipped from Liverpool until the 23rd inst., and the New Brunswick boat had to practice in his Scotswood and row the race in a new Swaddle & Winship boat lent him by the Halifax Rowing Club. He was well satisfied with the craft. Hanlan's first venture over the course was a disastrous one. His boat house stood behind the river bank on Bishop's Creek, and in getting out he ran his boat on a rock. Heasley patched it up, but the very next day—on a Sunday—he ran her on another snag, and stove a hole in her bottom, much to the satisfaction of some of the "unco guid" of the neighboring village of Rothesay. Mr. David Ward, of the Hanlan Club, brought down another Elliott a few days afterwards, in which Hanlan continued his practice. He rowed to-day in his Swaddle and Winship. He weighed 157 pounds on his arrival, having put on flesh rapidly after the Morris race, but stripped to-day at 154. Ross weighed 166 pounds.

The articles provided that the race should be rowed between 3 and 6 o'clock, or later if mutually agreed on, in perfectly smooth water, the "perfectly" being underlined at Ross's request. The Kennebecasis course is three miles wide and divided by a large island, which gives the southern channel, on which the race was rowed, a width of a mile and a half. It is seven miles from St. John, with steamboat and rail connections. The land round about is high and sheltered with pleasant copses of greenwood, and the shore sweeps from Rothesay to Torryburn Cove with a bend which forms a natural amphitheatre. It was on this course that the Paris crew—the first New World oarsmen to win a victory in the Old World—laid the foundation of their brilliant career which ended so disastrously at the Centennial regatta; but the more tragic ending of Renforth's life is what gives to this noble river its enduring though melancholy fame. Here, also, on the 26th of September, 1874, George Brown, of Halifax, then champion of America, defeated Evan Morris in a 500 mile race by three quarters of a length in 37m. and he was here that Wallace Ross in his race with Rogers in October, 1876, made the fastest four-mile time on record—28m. 30s. The course in to-day's race was carefully measured on the ice last winter and pronounced a good five miles, neither more nor less. The starting point was off Torryburn Cove and the turning buoys two miles and a half up the river in the direction of Rothesay. The course lay close to the bank from end to end.

As the two men rowed from their boat-houses to the starting point in obedience to the signal, whistle from the referee's tug, the difference in their style was very apparent. Ross rowed a powerful cross-handed or fisherman's stroke, sliding nineteen inches, while Hanlan has a long, sweeping stroke that drives his boat through the water without a quiver. He slides twenty-

should be. The referee Sheriff Harding, here said, as the matter was being taken out of his hands he would retire; he would act no more. This was a damper and great excitement ensued on the boat. Ross's backers applauded his resolution, while Hanlan's backers, of course, disapproved. Sheriff Harding made a written statement to the effect that the water was not perfectly smooth, but that it was smooth enough for practical boat racing, and that, as Ross and Ross's judge had objected, he had no recourse but to retire. Hanlan came to the judges' boat and said that if Ross would row he (Hanlan) would give him two lengths to start. Ross also came up and said the starting boats were out of range. A general discussion now took place, but no result was arrived at. Finally the two men were ordered to their quarters, and the judges' boat steamed up to Appleby's wharf, where the crowds were waiting in expectancy. Meanwhile the backers of the men unsuccessfully endeavored to patch up matters. The water at 9:50 o'clock was still rough and there was no appearance of it calming down. As to the cause of the postponement much may be said. Had Hanlan come out as quickly as Ross they might have been started, for the water was first-rate, but then Ross had objected to the line of buoys, and it would have taken some time to arrange them to his satisfaction, so that perhaps it would have been found that the race would not have then been rowed. Hanlan was willing to have the race come off and was greatly disgusted at being obliged to return to the boat-house. As to the condition of the water, it cannot be said that it was what would be called fit water here. Supporters of Ross say he was justified in refusing to row. Backers of Hanlan intimate that Ross did not want the race to come off so soon.

At the consultation held this afternoon between the backers of Ross and Hanlan the former proposed A. Chipman Smith as referee in place of Sheriff Harding. Hanlan's backers declined to accept any other referee than Harding. Judges Davis for Hanlan and King for Ross having telegraphed the state of affairs to the Sheriff, he finally consented to serve, and at 4 o'clock arrived on an engine, amid loud and continued cheers from the crowd. The Sheriff was at once taken on board the judges' boat, and at 4:45 he steamed down to Torryburn Cove. The signal to come out was at once sounded, and in three minutes Ross was out in his boat, wearing buff as in the morning. Hanlan appeared two minutes later dressed in blue, and was received with loud cheers from the crowd on the judges' boat. At 5 o'clock the men were given their instructions and ordered into line. The water was in good condition. At 5:08.20 the men were sent off, Hanlan being inside. Ross took the lead and struck out vigorously, pulling thirty strokes to the minute. Hanlan "flowed" at the same pace, but pulling a longer stroke, soon got even and before they had passed Appleby's wharf he had passed Ross. Above the wharf Hanlan was pulling thirty-two to the minute, going along beautifully. Ross following at thirty strokes. Three hundred yards from Appleby's wharf Ross's boat was seen to capsize, and for a moment it was feared he was drowned. It was soon seen, however, that he was clinging to his boat, and a boat went off and picked him up. Ross says the spring of the row-lock worked out and he upset, breaking the box of the boat. Hanlan meantime went up the course, taking his time, however, and went around the stake-boat at 5:28. On his return he showed some fine rowing, but did not over exert himself. He reached the point in about thirty-seven minutes.

The accident did not appear to do Ross any harm. When taken on board the judges' boat, he was very reticent and seemed to feel very badly over the way he lost the race. He says his boat got in bad condition soon after the race began, and that he was watching the boat and not Hanlan. General regret was felt at Ross's misfortune, but the prevailing opinion was that he was overmatched.

Appleby's wharf is three-quarters of a mile from the start. At this point Hanlan was a length ahead. Ross struggled gamely while rowing.

There was great excitement on shore during the continuance of the contest, but the accident to Ross of course threw a damper over the day's sport. Hanlan's time to the scene of the accident was about six minutes.

HANLAN'S STYLE.

A. N. Y. HERALD OPINION.

Hanlan in rowing reaches far forward, his oar taking the water immediately with a sharp catch. He uses his slide with vigor and goes far back, rowing his stroke fully out. His recovery is quick, but, when rowing in proper form, he cannot well go above thirty strokes to the minute, and a good deal of the time he does not go above twenty-eight. Nothing can be more beautiful, perfect, regular and machine-like than Hanlan's stroke, but that it is an easy stroke for the common man well has doubted. The recovery

as has never been seen in this country as the result. Already there are fourteen entries, as follows:—Edward Hanlan, Toronto; Wallace Ross, St. John, N. B.; Wm. McKen, Toronto; Pat Luther, Pittsburg, Pa.; Alex. Elliott, Toronto; J. A. Ten Eyck, Peekskill, N. Y.; Edward Ross, St. John, N. B.; J. Douglas, Toronto; Richard Nagle, St. John, N. B.; David Kennedy, Lowell, Mass.; Frenchy A. Johnston, Boston; M. Lynch, Salem, Mass.; Fred Plaisted, Boston; and Evan Morris, Pittsburg, Pa. This number will make a royal field even if there should be a moderate proportion of absences. Special rates have been made for return fares with all the railroads centering in this enterprising northern town, and there can be no doubt that the crowd there on Monday and Tuesday next will astonish the oldest inhabitant.

OTTAWA.—The proposed race between Hoadley of Alexandria Bay and Hinkley of Wolfe Island is declared off, the former having broken one of his ribs.

OTTAWA.—An effort is being made to have the Hanlan-Courtney race at Ottawa. It is thought \$5,000 bonus will be offered. This is the largest Canadian bid yet.

SMITH.—At a meeting of the Halifax rowing association on Friday evening last it was decided to issue a challenge on behalf of Warren Smith, to row any man in America, but Hanlan and Courtney, three miles on Bedford Basin, for \$500 a side. This should suit Ross, Morris or Johnston.

BRANTFORD.—John Glennon beat Robt. Powell a dash of a mile at Brantford last week.

BROCKVILLE.—A sweepstake has been arranged in Brockville between Messrs. Neil McCorney, M. McGlade, and the Chatterton Brothers for a race on the 10th.—The handicap yacht race will take place on the 15th; entries close on 14th. Purse \$200.

STURGEON POINT.—There is some talk of a rowing regatta at Sturgeon Point, for \$1,000 prize in September.

Amusements.

CITY.

The only thing in the amusement line advertised for the city is Cole's great Circus and Menagerie, on Aug. 28 and 29.

GENERAL.

MONTREAL.—Academy of Music.—Di Muska's Concert and Operatic Combination, 2 nights, Aug. 9 and 10.—Dominion Theatre.—Wood & West's Burlesque and Variety Co. have opened this house for a regular season. Among the company are Harry Wood and wife, Ned West and Alicia Jourdan.

BARRIE.—Jolly Joe Banks' Carnival of Fun Company will be at Barrie 10th, 12th and 13th. The Co. consists of Joe and Dollie Banks, Ida Van Countland, Walter Gale, Add Weaver, J. R. Spackman and J. H. Scott.

PETROLIA.—Hilliard and Hunting's Pacific Circus, Aug. 10.

WELLAND.—The Sullivans, Aug. 12 and 13.

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On 200 entries will be received for each place. These sales will be extensively advertised all over Europe, America, and Canada, as the great secret of success in these sales is to bring lots of buyers.

This spring 783 horses were disposed of at Toronto, Hamilton, and London, at an average



\$3,575 IN PURES.

Ogdensburg, N.Y.
RACES!

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday,
SEPTEMBER 10, 11, and 12, '78.

FIRST DAY.

\$150. Running. Flash Stakes. Dash. 1 mile and one-eighth miles. Open to all, to carry 110 lbs. No allowances or penalties. \$100, 60.
\$300. Trotting. 2:40 class. \$150, 75 45.
\$450. Trotting. 2:28 class. \$225, 110, 75.

SECOND DAY.

\$300. Trotting. 2:50 class. \$150, 75 45.
\$400. Trotting. 2:34 class. \$200, 100 60.

\$225. Running. Open to all horses bred in the Dominion of Canada. American Jockey Club weights. A horse that has never started, or having started has never won to exceed \$100 allowed 10 lbs. Dash of one and a half miles. \$150, 50, 25.

\$225. Hurdle race, handicap, dash. 1 mile over eight hurdles, 3 ft. 6 in. high. Weights announced Sept. 10. \$100, 50, 25.

THIRD DAY.

\$600. Trotting. Free-for-all. 2 miles. 90, 60.
\$300. Trotting. Four-year-old class. \$150, 75, 45, 30.

\$300. Running, handicap. Mile and a half heats, 2 in 8. \$200, 100. Weights to be announced Sept. 11.

\$225. Hurdle Race, handicap, dash of 1 mile over eight hurdles, 3 ft. 6 in. high. \$100, 50, 25. Weights to be announced Sept. 11.

\$100. Running. Consolation. Dash of one mile and seventy-five yards. Open to all horses that have started and not won first money at this meeting. Am. Jockey Club weights. \$70, 30.

Trotting, mile heats, 3 in 5. No Royal Association Rules; a horse disqualifying the field to receive first money only; on entrance, 10 per cent of purse. Horses to be eligible previous to Aug. 31; 4 to enter, 3 to start.

Running and Hurdling under Am. Jockey Club Rules. Entrance, 4.6 per cent of purse. In dash and hurdle races any number of horses from same stable may start. Jockeys in costume. 3 to enter, 2 to start.

ENTRIES CLOSE ON AUGUST 31.

Entries must be made in writing and contain full description. If made by telegraph to be followed by letter, enclosing entrance money. The Society will insist on the above to the refusal of entries not made in compliance therewith.

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Secretary

Grand Regatta!

BARRIE, ONT.

August 12th & 13th, 1878.

\$1,500 IN PRIZES.

Canadian Turf.

TROTTING AT AURORA.

AURORA, Aug. 5.—\$200. Trotting; match. Mr. Bingham's stallion Valentine to beat 3:00. W. L. Bingham, ch. h. Valentine..... 1
Time—2:58.

TROTTING AT MONTREAL.

LEVEE PARK, Montreal, Aug. 5.—\$50. 3:00 class. Mile heats, 3 in 5, in harness.
M. Pickell's b. g. Tom..... 1 1 1
A. Langvin's Blainville Boy..... 2 2 3
Chas. Picard's Machine Boy..... 3 3 2
Time—2:38, 2:39, 2:38.