

# HORSE NOTES.

The GLOBE extends an invitation to its readers: Contribute to its columns. We extend the invitation cordially, and it is a general one to all farmer-breeders and horsemen who find weekly pleasure in perusing its columns. We want to give our friends the news and you can help us furnish it. The GLOBE's sole aim and desire is to deal fairly with everybody and print the news.

There are two or three enterprising managers out West who spend hundreds of dollars in advertising apart from that which is directed to owners and trainers every time a meeting is held. They go about filling their grand stands as a clever circus manager does about crowding his tent. They bill not only their own town but all the neighboring places with striking, attractive paper. They work the press from both ends and the middle from the beginning of the trotting season until the meeting comes off. They pay good men to grind and gossip about the trotters and send it to the editors of their local papers, who are always quick to give such matter space. When race week comes around people are interested and posted as to the horses at the track, and every dollar laid out in advertising brings ten to the box-office. They have cleared up as much as \$15,000 in a single week at the Detroit and Cleveland meetings. What is the matter with our local horsemen going to work after the same style? Try it this season and you will be fully satisfied with the result.

- Study the rules.
- Dictator is dead.
- Perseverance wins.
- Sealskin Wilkes is dead.
- The only way is to start right.
- This is going to be a great year.
- Conway is getting into great form.
- Don't over-feed hay in work hours.
- Harold is tottering above the grave.
- Fitchburg opens a meeting June 27th.
- Mixed-gaited horses are apt to stumble.
- California has had no spring meetings.
- Belmont park's meeting was a hummer.
- The best horses get the patronage as a rule.
- Minnie Wilkes, 2.16, will be bred to Wilton.
- Many horses are made rank pullers by abuse.
- The average buyer does not want a yearling.
- Nutwood has ten outside mares only this year.
- Buffalo's spring meeting has been declared off.
- Unloosen the check of your horse when roading.
- There are great risks to run in the horse business.
- Breed for purity of gait, whether it be trot or pace.
- E. W. Clement, Buffalo, has bought Excellence, 2.19 1/2.
- Entries for Mystic's opening meeting closed June 1.
- At the late Cleveland sale 174 head brought \$5,870.50.
- Good words are heard everywhere of the young Woodbrins.
- Ralph Wilkes' fastest youngster is out of a big Knox mare.
- The first two trotters to enter the list this year were by Reveille.
- Governor Sprague and Reveille have each contributed two new performers to the list thus early.
- Horsemen should take in the World's Fair in August and September if they want to see the races.
- All stakes for the New Hampshire Trotting Horse Breeders' association, September 1 closed June 1.
- The work of a starting judge if conscientiously done is trying to both mental and physical strength.
- Milfor C. Johnny Knott, Psyche, Lexington Chief and Twang are named in the 2.22 class at Lawrence.
- W. H. Pethybridge has twenty horses at Kenosha Park, Haverhill, including Tom Gillig yearling record 2.37 1/2.
- A three-year-old colt by King Wilkes out of the great brood mare Miss Russel is expected to enter the list this year.
- Belmont is likely to get a couple of trotters in the 2.16 list this year. Viking, 2.19 1/2 and Clara D., 2.17 1/2 are both working sweetly.
- The Connecticut legislators are in receipt of a petition signed by over 10,000 voters, praying for a repeal of the obnoxious anti-pool law.
- The trainers at the tracks are not going as fast just at present as they did last winter when they were stepping the nags around the stove.
- Charles McFadden, Philadelphia, has bought of J. C. Tallman, Bridgeport, Conn., the bay stallion Madison Chief, 2.21 1/2; reported price \$5,000.
- There are few surer ways to make sore-mouthed horses than by high checking on the road, and sore mouths make more pullers than any other cause.
- A good horse picture is always a "well of pleasure undefiled" to a good horseman, and when it is the likeness of a good horse the gratification is doubled.
- In the opinion of a Maine breeder January February and March are the three worst months of the year for foaling and the last of April or the first of May the best.
- A bit should be made as pleasant to a horse as can be, and have him safe. Many a race has been lost by a horse being vexed, irritated and maddened by an unpleasant bit.

The track owner who is niggardly with printer's ink never makes much money. The public look to the newspapers nowadays for information more than they used to do.

Budd Doble has 42 head in his stable for campaigning purposes headed by Nancy Hanks, 2.04 Stamboul, 2.07 1/2, Belle Vera, 2.08 1/2, Manager 2.09 1/2, Reina, 2.12 1/2, and others below 2.20.

Gen. Turner is of the opinion that lightness in a sulky below 50 pounds is not essential with the average horse. The absence of friction is all that is necessary, with a majority of horse.

Trotting races must be popularized, so that the general public will be drawn to the tracks to witness the sport. It is from the gate receipts that horse owners must make their money.

A keen reinsman quickly learns that in harness racing, where the man in the judges' stand novices, it won't do to take anything for granted; that all things come to him who kicks.

Robert Bonner says that when you raise the heel of a horse's foot you depress the ankle, and when you raise the toe you raise the ankle also, all the colleges and faculties in the world not withstanding.

In view of the many chances taken by the breeder he should receive a fair price for every good animal that he raises and, as only good ones are in demand, he cannot afford to raise any other kind.

There is a general demand that trotting races should be shorter and sharper and the reduction of the distance, it is claimed by its adherents, would have a tendency to fetch the fleet ones to the front and sift the slow ones out.

Peter Nelson, blacksmith in Budd Doble's stable, has sent to the World's Fair the shoes worn by Nancy Hanks 2.04, when she made her various reductions of the world's records. They have been filed, trimmed and gold-plated.

It is estimated a loss of at least \$2,000,000 will be entailed upon the Western Union Telegraph company by the closing of the pool rooms in New York City. A net income of \$7,500 per day was collected from the 100 or more pool rooms.

The breeder has a far better chance of getting a good price for a well broken two-year-old that can step along some but whose pedigree is only moderately fashionable than he has of securing the same amount for a richly-bred yearling that can be shown only to halter.

An "off" color is likely to break out in any family and without warning, as many roan horses appear without either a known ancestor of that color or from even a combination of bay and gray—which is said by some to be responsible for the color in question—to show in extenuation.

When there is a demand always for good roadsters, small breeders should not devote all of their time and spend all their money raising cattle and sheep. The day for raising the fast trotter and pacer and the best of roadsters is at hand, and the man who judges rightly will sell off his half-breeds and invest his money where he will get the best results.

When the bottled speed in the stables of Starr, Geers, Doble, Curry, McHenry, Hickok, Thompson and other leaders in their profession is uncorked, and the time is ripe to start for the big moneys in the great circuits, what may we expect when nags turn a sticky track in March-like weather below 2.18 while the lilacs are in bloom?

A great many trainers have come to the conclusion that bandages are an injury to the horses legs. They hold that bandages increase the inflammation because they drive the blood back and when removed the blood turns with renewed force.

Concord (N. H.) track is rounding into shape and the horses quartered there are beginning to go some. The gray gelding Charlie Wilkes by Mambrino Wilkes, in Gus Rollins' string, is called the best green horse on the grounds. He should enter the list this year.

Although the majority of horsemen disagree with Robert Bonner as to the probability of Maud S. lowering her record, Mr. Bonner's confidence in her never wavers. Maud will be kept in training all the summer, gradually increasing her work until fall, when if all goes well she will be in condition for an attempt to realize the dream of the foremost patron of trotting champions, the dethronement of Nancy Hanks.

The trotting stallion Dictator, one of the greatest race horse sires that ever lived and an own brother to the immortal Dexter, died at Lexington, Ky., May 27, of old age. Dictator was the sire of Jay-Eye-see (trotting record 2.10 and pacing record 2.06 1/2) and of Nancy Lee, the dam of Nancy Hanks. He was foaled in 1863, and was by Hambletonian (10) out of the dam of Dexter, by Seely's American Star. He had 40 trotters and 5 pacers in the 2.30 list.

After the operation of castration its success depends largely upon the care and judgement of its attendant. The colt or horse should be exercised regularly and the incisions noticed, to see that they remain open. If the edges of the incisions adhere, the secretions get into the circulation and cause constitutional disturbances. The action of the muscles in exercise encourages discharges of secretions and prevents accumulation and subsequent swelling.

The rule that "like begets like" will always hold good, and any breeder who thinks he can sit in his office in the crowded city, and with nothing to guide him in the selection of a proper stallion with which to mate his mares, can succeed in his undertaking, is mistaken. He must intelligently mate his matrons with horses whose breeding, individual-

ity, conformation and disposition will blend in a happy manner. Theory in breeding the trotter is very fascinating, says Western Horseman, but often leads well-intending breeders to the brink of ruin. The best theory we know of in breeding is to mate speed with speed, and at the same time keep an eye out for perfect individuality. The man who breeds to a tabulated pedigree alone will surely come to grief.

Directum is picked out by some Kentuckians as the first 2.00 trotter. Private information received here last week, says a Lexington correspondent of The Horseman, states that this wonderful young horse has already gone a sixteen this season in the unheard-of time of six seconds, which is 1.36 gait, almost as fast as the speed of the great Salvator, of the running turf. In his race here last fall he showed remarkable bursts of speed, and it was then predicted that with no misfortune he would make a record-breaker this year. But his most enthusiastic admirers at that time never dreamed that he had the speed at the trot of the fastest runner yet known to the running turf. He possesses a conformation that permits of the highest muscular development. He is not a large horse, but nature has favored him in the most lavish manner. He is possessed of a large amount of heart and lung room, has the very best of feet and legs, is coupled short, has tremendous driving power, is a good feeder, a bulldog racehorse, and withal as kind and gentle as a pet lamb. In fact he embodies all those fine points that one would expect to see in the two-minute horse, and if the report regarding his wonderful work this season be true it would not surprise Kentucky horsemen to see him beat two minutes before the end of the present season.

### A GOOD MANY OF US LEFT.

The World's Population Now About 1,480,000,000—Density in Various Countries.

The population of the world is about 1,480,000,000, according to the Chautauquan. Of these there are in China 361,766,000; in British India, 286,136,000; in Russia, 117,736,331. One-half of the human race lives in Asia, and nearly one-fourth in China, which slightly exceeds the whole of Europe in population. India contains a little over one-fifth and Africa about one-ninth of the race. Less than one-fourth belong to civilized nations. Of these, nearly one-thirteenth of the total population of the world, belong to the English-speaking peoples. The density of population to the square mile varies greatly in different countries, being greatest in Belgium. The number of persons to the square mile is, in Europe, 95; Asia, 48; Africa, 14; America, 8; in Australasia, 1.3; Belgium, 535; England, 480; in the Netherlands, 357; Great Britain and Ireland, 312; Italy, 272; German empire, 236; Japan, 271; China, 220; India 187; Switzerland, 186; France, 184; Austro-Hungary, 170; Denmark, 146; Portugal, 124; Spain, 89; European Russia, 49; Sweden, 27; United States, 17; Mexico, 15; Norway, 15; Canada, 2. A large part of the world is not crowded yet. The entire population of the world could stand on an area of about 250 square miles and could be compressed within the limits of the city of Chicago, which includes 160.54 square miles and has a population of about 6,350 per square mile.

In 1890 the most densely populated city in the United States was New York with 37,675 people to the square mile; and in the most densely populated ward i. e., ward 20, there were 474 persons to the acre. The most densely settled state was Rhode Island with 318.4 persons per square mile; next Massachusetts with 278.5; New Jersey, 193; Connecticut, 150.4; New York, 126; Pennsylvania, 116.9; Nevada, 0.3; Arizona, 0.5; Montana, 0.9; Idaho 1; New Mexico, 1.03; Utah, 2.5, and Oregon 3.3; per square mile. In Europe there are more females than males—1,019 females to 1,000 males. In the United States there are but 952 female to 1,000 males. In the older states the females predominate, the percentage in Massachusetts being 51.42; in Rhode Island, 51.37; Connecticut, 50.48; Montana, 43.50; Wyoming, 45.19; Nova, 36.16 and Washington, 37.73. In all countries there are born more boys than girls in the proportion of about 105 boys to 100 girls; but the boys die much faster than the girls in the earlier years of life. Birth rates vary in different years. Taking the average for the twenty years from 1871 to 1890 the birth rate for England and Wales was 34 per 1,000; Scotland, 33.6; Ireland, 14.9; Denmark, 31.7; Austria, 38.6; Switzerland, 29.4; the German empire, 38.1; the Netherlands, 35.2; Italy, 37.3; Belgium, 31; France, 24.6 per 1,000. In most civilized countries the birth rate is diminishing. For the United States in the above period the rate was 44. For 1890 in England and Wales it was 30.2; Scotland, 30.3; Ireland, 22.3; Denmark, 40.6; Austria, 36.7; Switzerland, 26.6; German empire, 35.7; Netherlands, 32.9; in Italy, 35.9; Belgium, 28.7; and France, 21.8. Death rates are also diminishing, but not so much as the birth rates, varying from 15 to 36 per 1,000. Taken as a whole, the population of the world has increased during the last hundred years, but especially the last fifty years.

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