

HORSE NOTES.

Billy Wilton (2.20).
Nancy Hanks (2.04) is improving.
Lots of matter crowded out this week for lack of room.
This appears to be an off year for Belle Hamlin, 21.23.
C. T. L. will now be campaigned by trainer John Riley.
Tennessee beats the world for turning out fast game pacers.
Director (2.17) has another fast pacer in Direction (2.14).
The Interstate Fair at Elmira, N. Y. opened on the 5th inst.
It was a good day for the Directors at Fleetwood on the 30th.
Philadelphia is to have a great trotting meeting, beginning Sept. 24th.
Lady Thompson, by Simmons (2.28), has been added to Henry Titer's string.
There will be a four days meeting at Homewood Park, Pittsburg, Pa., beginning Sept. 19th.
The noted pacer Victor Mazzone has been very sick from lung troubles, but is recovering.
Administrator Wilkes, by Alcantra, reduced his record to 2.25 1/2 at Binghamton, N. Y., on the 26th ult.
The third annual meeting of the Greenville (Pa.) Agricultural Society will be held at Greenville, Sept. 19-22.
Don't forget that the New Hampshire Breeders' meeting opens at Concord, N. H., next Tuesday the 5th inst.
Ed Geers evidently has three of a kind in Hal Pointer (2.04 1/2), Hal Dillard (2.09 1/2) and Hal Braden (2.11 1/2).
The Bowdoin Stables is the name of the syndicate which lately bought the Hubinger Bros.' stable of campaigners.
The price paid for the stallion Dark Night was \$8000 instead of \$24,000 as first sent out by some enterprising reporter.
Hickock says he would not advise Mr. Speckles to match his wonderful mare Hulda (2.08 1/2) against Nancy Hanks.
Brown Hal has had an ailing leg. If he can handle it as well as Hal Pointer manages his he will do to go the races with.
Independence (2.21 1/2), by Gen. Knox (2.31 1/2) dam, Skip, the dam of Glenarm (2.22 1/2), is now owned by William Riley, Stamford, Ct.
The managers of the Philadelphia Driving Park claim dates Oct. 10, 11, 12 and 23 for their fall meeting.
The bay mare May Wilkes by Guy Wilkes (2.15 1/2) took a record of 2.24 1/2 against the watch at Binghamton, N. Y., Aug. 16.
The expert judge of trotting and road stock Mr. R. W. Goodrich of Poultney, Vt., is now in Chicago and will award the prizes to Morgans at the World's Fair exhibit.
About 850 trotters and pacers have already entered the 2.30 list this season, an increase of more than 40 per cent above the number of new additions at this time last season.
Secretary J. H. Steiner of the American Trotting Association is after the ringers, and he's catching them too. The trotter Maj. Eddy proves to be Stanton Chief (2.27 1/2).
Dancourt by Ambassador (2.21 1/2) showed himself to be a good three year old at Independence Ia., on the 29th inst., where he won a three year-old trotting race in 2.21, 2.21 1/2.
Polarine by Madrid, won the 2.25 trot at Lexington Ky., on the 29th, getting a record of 2.19, but Glass, by Onward (2.25 1/2) won the two-year-old trot on the same day. Best time 2.26 1/2.
The three-year-old filly Rose Leaf (2.27) has not so fast a record as some of the three year olds out this year, but has won all her races, we believe and most of them have been on half-mile tracks.
Red Pointer, a two-year-old son of Red Wilkes, dam Minnie Paschen lately trotted a half in 1.08 1/2. He is owned by W. C. France & Son, Lexington Ky., and is rated capable of a mile in 2.15 this season.
Walter E. seems to be doing pretty well for a trotter brim full of running blood, several strains of which came from Old Diomed, through his best representatives like the great four-mile winners, American Eclipse and Wagner.
If report is correct some miserable wretch poisoned the trotting mare Bessie Bent 2.26 1/2, at the fair grounds Worcester, on the night of the 23rd instant. No punishment is too severe for a miscreant of that sort.
Tennessee is a great country for pacers. They have just unearthed a green one there that was recently jogged a half mile in 1.01, and Brown Hal is his sire. When Hal Pointer's leg gives out again the old hero can get a substitute in this chap.
The two-minute trotter is in sight. C. W. Williams says that Eiloree by Axtell (2.12), dam by Allerton (2.09 1/2), trotted an eighth of a mile at a two-minute gait in her race at Independence, and only two weeks after she weaned a foal at that.
Quartermaster (2.21 1/2) has a new performer in Woodvine, which took a record of 2.28 1/2 at Poughkeepsie, N. Y., recently, and will soon have another in the three-year-old Lady Juno, which won a race at the above place, getting a record of 2.31 1/2.
Russella, full sister to Maud S. (2.08 1/2), will be bred to Lancelot (2.23) this season. She is owned by Robert Bonner and lately dropped a foal by Starkire, brother to Majolita (2.15) After she raises a foal by Lancelot we would like to see one from her by Ansel (2.20).
Caraloid, by Simmons (2.28), trotted a mile in 2.10 1/2 at Grand Rapids, Mich., on the 21st. This horse is to be sold by auction at Tattersalls of Chicago next month, together with a

number of other fast ones, including Vassar, which lately reduced his record to 2.14 1/2.
Hon. Warren F. Daniell of Franklin, N. H., struck a good-sized bonanza when he bought the fast mare Edith H. (2.22 1/2), by Deucalion (2.22), and also got a prize when he bought Much Ado (2.29 1/2), by Judge Salisbury. The latter is by Nutwood (2.18 1/2; dam by Volunteer.
Felix Conlan, Esq., of Cambridge has a brood mare that has broken the period of gestation record for this season so far as heard from. At the end of 12 months and 10 days from the time of mating she produced a filly. It was formerly thought that long periods of gestation always resulted in male foals.
Keller by King Rene, dam, Ada Wilkes, by George Wilkes, got a record of 2.13 1/2 at Independence, Ia., last week, yet he was from a mare not standard by breeding. The same is true of the dam of Delmarch (2.11 1/2), and yet these two non-standard mares have produced faster trotters than any other two daughters of George Wilkes.
Orin Hickock who gave Hulda her race record of 2.08 1/2, says that Silverone (2.19 1/2), by Aleyone (2.27), could speed faster than any other trotter he ever sat behind. This confirms Percy Talbert's statement to the writer a few years since. Mr. Talbert thought her capable of taking a record of 2.10 before the hike was invented.
A gentleman's driving club was recently organized at Claremont Junction, N. H., with G. W. Race president, and a meeting will be given under its management Sept. 29 and 30. The purses are \$50 for local trot and pace, \$200 for 2.45 trot and pace, \$250 for a three-minute trot and pace, \$300 for 2.37 trot and pace and \$300 for 2.21 trot. Entries close Sept. 18, with S. G. Whitmore secretary.
The opening of the Ware Driving Park a few weeks since was a pronounced success. Over 1600 people were present. The horsemen all spoke well of the new track. The celebrated stallion Autograph (2.17), by Alcantra, owned by the Muster Hill Farm, New Braintree gave an exhibition between the heats.
Mr. W. J. Howes lately had the misfortune to lose his noted brood mare Nellie by Daniel Lambert; dam by Woodburn Pilot, son of Pilot Jr. Nellie Lambert's foals were all fast trotters. She was the dam of Ruth Wilkes (2.20 1/2), Madge Wilkes (3) 2.23 1/2, Juno Wilkes (2.29) and Joe Aleyone, which has trotted low down in the 20s in races, and will be in the list this year without doubt. Mr. E. D. Kimball of Mt. Auburn probably owns a good a filly by Victor Wilkes 2.29 1/2 as Nellie Lambert ever produced.
Eloree by Axtell (2.12), dam by Robert McGregor (2.17 1/2) grandam Belle, by George Wilkes, is a wonderful young mare. Last season she was mated with Allerton (2.09 1/2), and was trained and given a trotting record of 2.26 1/2. This year she produced a foal which was weaned about three weeks. She was then put in training and started in a race at Independence, Ia., on the 25th inst., where she drove the winner out in 2.21 in the first heat and got second money. The name of George Wilkes appears four times in the pedigree of the foal which she produced this season.
Trainer Frank Meehan, who has been handling Hon. Frank Jones's trotters, is now at B. D. Whitcomb's Stock Farm in New Hampshire educating the young Woodbrinos. Meehan says that the two year colt which George W. Leavitt bought for Mr. Jones in Kentucky last year as a yearling, has speed enough to beat the best two-year-old out this year. After Mr. Jones bought him the colt had distemper, and it settled in one hind ankle, which may prevent his being started this season. He could show halves as a yearling in 1.13.
The question is sometimes asked whether the trotters which are going so fast to bicycle sulkies may not prove disappointments as roadsters when started up in a brush pulling a road wagon. The veteran breeder, B. D. Whitcomb, lately expressed his belief that many of them will, and others have that opinion.
Some think that a horse in order to be a good weight puller must be above the average size. This is a mistake. Hopeful, which held the wagon record, 2.16 1/2, for years, was only 15 hands high, yet Mr. Whitcomb, who bred him and drove him on the road before his speed was developed says that Hopeful was one of the best weight pullers that he ever saw, and so was his dam. Mr. Whitcomb, by the way, has a two-year-old, full brother to Vega that promises to be faster than Hopeful was when at his best. He is a gelding and a full brother to Vega (2.23 1/2). He is as handsome and racy looking as Nancy Hanks and resembles her considerably in conformation. He is a toney chap and it may take some time to make a steady-going, reliable trotter out of him, yet he don't get any near crosses of running foolishness through his dam, as does Dr. Ham's Lordbrino, which got a three-year-old record of 2.26 1/2 last year and is as level headed as the best of them. Mr. Whitcomb says that this brother to Vega (2.23 1/2) is the fastest trotter of his age and handling that he ever bred or ever saw. Their dam is a low-set, blocky animal, about 14.3 hands, high, but full of snap and vim.
The superior quality of the Forbes Farm trotters was clearly shown at Hampden Park, Springfield, on the 25th ult., when Nellie McGregor, by Robert McGregor, won the 2.19 race in 2.14, 2.16, 2.17 1/2, and Nancy Hanks trotted a mile in 2.08. Mr. J. Malcolm Forbes was there and saw his wonderful mare trot for the first time. He was absent from Boston when she trotted at Mystic Park in 2.08 1/2. Doble rated her very differently at Hampden Park than he did at Mystic.

At the latter place he was at the three-quarter pole in 1.35 and came the last quarter in 3 1/2 seconds. At Hampden Park the time of the three quarters was 1.36 1/2 or 1 1/2 seconds slower than at Mystic. She evidently trotted the last quarter at Springfield in 3 1/2 seconds or 2 1/2 seconds faster than the last quarter at Medford.
After the three-year-old class had been called at Fleetwood on Tuesday, and while they were going up to score, Budd Doble drove Nancy Hanks down the stretch past the judges, and grand stand. He pulled the noted mare up, turned her, and was jogging slowly up the track by the grand stand as the colts came down. Applause from the grand stand caused him to bow acknowledgements, and resulted in a collision, which hurled the driver of one of the colts to the ground. The colt was quickly caught however, and but little damage resulted. It was a close call for the trotting queen and her driver. Had it been some driver who is but little known, like Bard Halmer, for instance, instead of the veteran Doble, how some of the turf papers would have scored him. There ought to be a rule forbidding the exhibition of any horse upon the track while a race is in progress.—An Horse Breeder.
SPORTING NEWS.
The History of the America's Cup and its Commemorative—The Coming Races.
In connection with the coming races for the America's cup it may be well to correct a very erroneous idea about the manner in which the cup was originally given and the honors it was supposed to bring to its possessor. It was not by any means intended as a trophy of the supremacy of the sea, but was given as a mark of recognition of the long distance he had, and because he claims that the conditions of the open races in which he had intended to enter, were unfair. The English boats which at the time competed could hardly be considered representative English flyers.
The race, will come off on the 28th inst., and will be the greatest international yacht race that has ever taken place, and there certainly was never more interest taken on both sides of the water in any previous competition of the same kind.
The Cup's History
in brief is as follows:
On August 22, 1851, the American yacht America won the prize known as the America's cup in a race round the Isle of Wight, England, starting from Cowes without time allowance. The cutter Aurora, 47 tons finished second. None of the other starters finished, viz, Schooners: Beatrice, 151 tons; Wyvern, 205 tons; Ione, 75; Constance, 218 tons; Gypsy Queen, 160 tons, and Brilliant (3 masts), 392 tons. Cutters: Volante, 48 tons; Arrow, 84 tons; Alarm, 193 tons; Mona, 82 tons; Bacchante, 80 tons; Freak, 60 tons, and Eclipse, 50 tons. The America was rated at 170 tons.
1857.—The America's cup was presented to the New York Yacht Club by its owners, Messrs. J. C. Stevens, Hamilton Wilkes, J. Beckman Finley, and George L. Schuyler, as a perpetual challenge cup.
1870.—August 8. Mr. Ashbury's schooner Cambria, representing several English yacht clubs, started against a fleet of schooners representing the New York Yacht club over a course from off Stapleton, Staten Island, to and round the New York Lightship, a distance of about 40 miles. The Magic won sailing the course in 3 hours 58 minutes and 26 seconds. The original America was fourth in 4 hours, 23 minutes and 51 seconds and the Cambria tenth in 4 hours 37 minutes and 28 seconds.
1871.—The conditions have been changed so that the New York Yacht club should name a competitor to sail against the challenging yacht, best of seven races, Mr. Ashbury having challenged for the cup with his schooner Livonia, the results were as follows:
October 16. New York Yacht Club course, schooner Columbia beat Livonia by 57 minutes and 4 seconds.
October 18. Outside course, 20 miles from Lightship and return, dead to windward, Columbia won by 10 minutes and 33 seconds.
October 19. New York Yacht Club course, Livonia beat Columbia (disabled) by 15 minutes and 10 seconds.
October 21. Outside course, schooner Sappho beat Livonia by 31 minutes and 21 seconds.
October 23. New York Yacht Club course Sappho beat Livonia by 25 minutes and 27 seconds.
1876.—August 11. New York Yacht Club course schooner Madeline representing the New York Yacht club, beat the Canadian schooner Countess of Dufferin by 10 minutes and 59 seconds.
August 13. Outside course, 20 miles to windward from Sandy Hook and return. Madeline beat Countess of Dufferin by 27 minutes and 14 seconds. The America sailed over the course on this race, and finished 19 minutes and 9 seconds in front of the Countess of Dufferin.
1881.—November 8. New York Yacht Club course, sloop Mischief representing New York Club, beat the Canadian sloop Atlanta by 28 minutes and 30 seconds.
November 10. Outside course, 16 miles to leeward from buoy No. 5 and return to windward.
"Mischief" beat the "Atlanta" by 38 minutes and 54 seconds.
1882.—In the winter of 1881-82 the "America's" cup was returned by the New York Yacht Club to the only surviving original owner, Mr. George L. Schuyler, who again presented the Cup to the Club with amended conditions that required the challenging yacht to represent an organized yacht club having its annual regatta over an ocean course, the yacht to be not less than 30 tons and not more
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