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EQUINE METHUSELAHS.

A few months ago "Dumb Animals," a Boston periodical, had a picture of a bright little boy mounted on an old horse, with this letter-press below the heading "Old Bill" America's Oldest Horse.

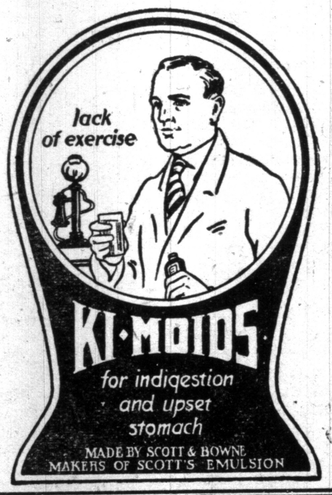
Nine-year-old Floyd Bowers is pictured astride "Old Bill" 57-year-old horse of Harmony Township, near Washington, N. J. "Old Bill's" 57th birthday was celebrated September 20, 1925, by his owner, John Sonder, and other farmers, who claimed that this is not only the oldest horse in America, but probably the oldest living horse in the entire world. He was born in 1868.

A month after "Old Bill" had his picture in Dumb Animals he dropped dead one day and a New Jersey newspaper had this obituary:

Old Bill, 57, regarded as "the oldest horse in the world," dropped dead yesterday on the farm of his owner, John C. Sonder, in Harmony Township, Warren County, eight miles from Washington, N. J. He was buried just behind the barn which was his stable for the past twenty years. Until Sunday he had been in harness, doing the usual farm chores with an agility that seemed beyond the possibilities of a horse so old. Mr. Sonder said he did not work Old Bill hard and the equine Methuselah always appeared strong and seldom was ill. Old Bill died after surpassing the record of Old Clover the race horse that died in May, 1924, at the age of 53. Neighbors of Sonder including Dr. A. D. Gaylord, a Washington veterinary surgeon, supported Sonder's contention Old Bill was 57. Many of them remembered when Bill used to be travelling about the highways long before there were automobiles.

Bill was foaled on the farm of John R. Butts, after whom Buttsville, Warren county, was named in 1868. Since the World discovered Bill's age last September his owner received many offers to display him at circuses but he declined. He explained that Bill had worked on a farm all his life and would die there. So he did."

Foreman (to Irish laborer): "Look at that German carrying two scaffold poles at a time and you're only carrying one." Irishman: "Sure, but he must be too lazy to go twice."



HAMPTON HAPPENINGS

Feb. 22—Mrs. C. B. Wetmore returned on Saturday from the General Public Hospieal, and her many friends will be pleased to hear that she is much improved in health.

Lorne Parlee spent the week end in Apohaqui, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Harley Jones.

Dr. J. J. Ryan, of Paris, France, who was called to New Brunswick, by the death of his aunt, Mrs. S Hayward, was in Hampton on Monday.

Mrs. George A. Ross left on Friday for Woodstock, where she will visit friends.

The Inter-church Young Peoples' Association held a valentine party on Friday evening at the church hall. Games were enjoyed and refreshments served.

Fred Chipman, of St. John, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Eddis Flewwelling.

The Ladies Guild of the Station Baptist church met on Tuesday with Mrs. Guy Keirstead.

W. C. Rankine left this week for St. John, where he will enter the General Public Hospital for treatment.

Mrs. George H. Barnes was in St. John last week, where she was the guest of Mrs. Lemuel McDonough at the Landsdowne House.

Miss Gladys Smith, of St. John, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Riddick Smith.

Mrs. T. C. Donald, of St. John, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Barnes.

The Builders of the Anglican church met on Monday with Mrs. J. Beard.

Roy Dann, of Salisbury, was a visitor here last week.

Dr. F. H. Wetmore and Mrs. Wetmore, of St. John, were in Hampton on Monday.

The weekly card parties held by the members of St. Alphonsus church, held the last one before the Lenten season on Tuesday evening. Prizes were won by Mrs. Forestell and Mr. George Kelly. These parties will be continued on the Tuesday after Easter.

50th Wedding Anniversary

The following item, which was copied from the Boston Transcript, will be of interest to friends in Hampton and other points in Kings Co.

"Family Circle Unbroken by Death. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Douglas Fowler celebrate their golden wedding anniversary. Had 7 daughters and 6 sons and all were to attend celebration at Wollaston, Mass. Couple were married at St. John.

"Today marks the fiftieth anniversary of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Douglas Fowler, who will celebrate their golden wedding at their home, 144 Phillips St., Wollaston. They were married at St. John, N. B. on Feb. 15, 1876, and an unusual feature of their anniversary is that all their children, 13 in number, are living and all residents of Greater Boston and will be present at the celebration this evening. Of their children the youngest of the thirteen, Waldo Temple Fowlor, was twenty-eight years of age last June.

Mr. Fowler, the father of this large family, is seventy-nine years of age, and was born in Damascus, New Brunswick, on January 1847. Mrs. Fowler (Margaret Virginia Gorham) was born in Kingston, N. B., Feb. 15, 1854, and she celebrates today her seventy-second birthday, jointly with her golden wedding anniversary. The Fowler family is of Mayflower descent. One of her ancestors, Captain John Gorham, married Desire Howland, the daughter of John Howland, a passenger on the Mayflower and the last of that ship's passengers to die in Plymouth.

Mr. and Mrs. Fowler spent the first twelve years of their married life in Hampton, N. B., and moved to South Boston in 1888 and to Wollaston in 1892, and for more than thirty years have resided in their present home, erected when houses were few and scattered in Wollaston Park. The first seven of their thirteen children were born in New Brunswick. The children in the order of their ages bear these given names, Bertha, Douglas, Junia, Verne, A. Linde, Grace Raymond, Elizabeth Christine, Jessie Idella, Edna Hamlin, Carl Gorham, Paul Raymond, Victor Brooks, Leila Zoe, Lyle Howard and Waldo Temple, the division being seven girls and six boys. Eleven of the sons and daughters are married and there are ten grandchildren. Three of the sons, Victor, Llye and Waldo, served in the World War, Victor as a volunteer in the regular army was among the earliest in the United States troops to go across seas as a member of the Twenty third Infantry Second Division.

Longevity was on both sides of the family, the Fowlers and the Gorhams. Howard Fowler, the father, has four brothers and one sister living, out of the eight children in his father's family. Silas Nathaniel Fowler, eldest of the brothers, is eighty-one. Howard comes next at seventy nine, then follow Samuel and Joseph, twins of seventy-seven years. Charles, who is seventy five, and Matilda, sixty eight. The five brothers had a reunion in Wollaston in 1917, their first meeting as a group in more than fifty years. Joseph and his wife celebrated their golden anniversary about a year ago.

Their grandfather had fifteen children, one of whom was accidentally killed in boyhood, and the next death in that family came when the youngest member was more than seventy years of age. On the mother's side of the family, the Gorhams, Mrs. Fowler's grandmother, Mrs. Gorham, died at the age of eighty eight of pneumonia, and her mother, Mrs. Charles Hoyt, lived to be ninety.

St. Chrysostom's Episcopal church in Wollaston was founded by the brothers, Howard and Samuel Fowler and their families, including the Floods, the Lords, and the Jewels, in 1894. The original services leading up to the founding were held in a hall at the top of what used to be called the Perry Block, on Newport Avenue. Later a hall was rented in which the St. Chrysostom's church was formally organized. The Fowlers made up a majority of the choristers for a number of years and with the exception of a very few years, at least one representative of the family has been in the choir ever since. Carl and Victor Fowler as boys, were soloists in the Church of the Advent, Boston, and Raymond also sang in that choir.

In past years the Fowler family has given concerts in Wollaston in which they gave the entire programme the general arrangement of voices being five sopranos, three altos, three tenors, and four bases. Twenty five years ago at the silver wedding anniversary of the parents, the family sang "The Bridal Chorus" from "The Rose Maiden" by F. H. Cowen and is doing so again on this occasion. There will be also a girls' setxet, men's quartet, mixed duets, and solos, all by members of the family."

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The "Pathfinders" group of the Canadian Girls in Training of Norton, gave a mother and daughter banquet in the Temperance Hall Tuesday evening, Feb. 16.

The hall was beautifully decorated in St. Valentine trimmings—in red and white. Hearts were suspended from the ceiling and the tables looked very dainty with vases of red flowers, napkins, place-cards and favors of little red and white unbrelas with hearts. Lights were softened by shining through chandelier of cupids and hearts.

Twenty-four mothers and four guests of honor with the twelve girls sat down to a bountiful repast, after the song of blessing by the group.

Supper was followed by an interesting programme, as follows:

Address of welcome by toastmistress and president of Group, Irene Reed, in which she gave the reasons for inviting the mothers: 1st—because we love you; 2nd, because our Group cannot find guests anywhere to whom so much honor is due; 3nd, we have invited you here to give you pleasure.

This was followed by roll-call of members by secretary Dora McCready answered by "Mother thoughts from great thinkers."

A toast to "Our Mothers" was given by Marion Brown, in which she told of mother's love and that the greatest thing in the world is a mother's love—other friends may fail but our mothers remain true. Respondse was given by Mrs. McCready, telling the girls that if mother ruled the world of home, daughter was her first assistant.

A reading by Ada McEwen, "The Knight's Toast," was ably given.

Two sing-song periods were enjoyed, led by Viola Howe.

The toast to "Our Guests of Honor" by Ada McEwen made mention that three of these guests were past leaders, Miss Harmer, Mrs. Wood, Mrs. Heine; Mrs. Young was also included as a guest of honor. These each made reply in a very pleasing manner, thanking the girls for the honor of being invited and telling their enjoyment of the time spent with them while acting as leaders.

Toast to the "C. G. I.'s Order" was proposed by Viola Howe, giving the motto and purpose of a Canadian Girl in Training. Response given by their leader, Mrs. George Brown, pointing out to those present the conception of the fourfold life at its best—physically, intellectually, spiritually and socially, as taken up by the C. G. I. T.

A photo contest was enjoyed by the mothers in which Mrs. Loughery won the prize.

Two charades were acted by the girls and guessed by the mothers.

A vote of thanks was extended by the girls to Miss Breen, Miss Lester, Miss Yerxa and Miss Myers, who so ably served for them.

A very enjoyable and much appreciated evening was brought to a close with the mothers all joining in singing "Taps."

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