

TURF AND TRACK

THE SULKY.

GRANDISSIMO, 2:23½, will be seen on the California circuit next season.

A HORSE-LESS carriage was literally hissed off the track at the recent fair at Mineola, L. I.

ROCKWOOD 1464 has had two additions to his list this year, viz., Little Maid (pacer), 2:18 and Sadie B., 2:28.

THE stallion owner, if he would be successful with his horse, must constantly keep him before the public.

GEO. MISNER has bought the fast roadster Frank O'Neill, 2:27, and will probably put him on the turf next year.

SILVER BOW, 2:16, and Guy Wilkes, 2:15½, are to meet on the same ground and in the same classes at the Horse Show.

THE Horse Show in New York City was the greatest success financially of any ever held in the Knickerbocker city.

THE Pacific Coast Board of Appeals of the National Trotting Association, will hold a meeting in this city this afternoon.

A NUMBER of carpenters are busily engaged at the Pavilion erecting stalls for the horses to be exhibited at the Horse Show.

THE black colt out of a Director mare, by Russia, on the Two-minute Farm at Cleveland, is said to be a sensational trotter.

PRINCE IRA, 2:19, has been gelded and Col. Alviso of Pleasanton, his driver, is sure he will make a great record next season.

DAWN, 2:18½, was to be entered in certain classes in the Horse Show but on account of sickness he was withdrawn at the last moment.

DAN LAWRENCE is driving the youngsters at the Pleasanton Stock Farm. Dan did remarkably well on the Eastern circuit this year.

AT the sale of the Todhunter's thoroughbreds in this city, December 11th, there will be two handsome yearlings by Silver Bow, 2:16, offered.

BELLE MEDIUM, 2:20, the dam of Stam B., 2:15½, is heavy with foal to Dictatus. The produce ought to be very valuable. This mare is for sale.

THE idea of holding a convention of drivers, owners and directors of associations in this city in the near future is meeting with favor everywhere.

PATHMONT, 2:09½, has been sent to Pleasanton. Andy McDowell has him and will soon collect a string of good ones for the circuit of 1896 in California.

THERE have been several inquiries at this office for the pedigree of a horse called Speedway. He must have been a trotter for his progeny trot very fast.

THE day is not far distant when the horse-loving public of San Francisco, Alameda and Oakland will have their own race track for their trotters and pacers.

JASPER AYRES, 2:15½, now holds the world's record for three-year-old trotting geldings. He is by Iris, son of Eros, 2:29½, by Electioneer, and his dam is by Altamont.

THE editorial last week in this journal regarding the few sires left in California has set breeders and owners of good mares to wondering where sires are to come from.

B. O. VAN BOKKELEN, the driver who piloted Boodle last season, is getting a splendid string of trotters ready for next season. Van is a capable conditioner and reinsman.

MESSRS. CLAWSON & KILLIP, who have the salesyard at Market and Van Ness avenue, have a number of very choice roadsters, carriage teams and Shetland ponies for sale.

THE Alameda Driving Association has decided to hold a race meet on the Boulevard speed track, December 14th if sufficient entries can be obtained to make it interesting.

THERE are more roadsters to be seen in Golden Gate Park at present than at any other time during the year. The wet weather will drive the bicycle boys and girls to shelter.

WM. FRAZIER, of Portland, Ore., was awarded the contract for furnishing thirty head of artillery horses for the government at San Francisco. These horses must all be black.

IT would not surprise us if Chas. A. Durfee purchased the well-bred McKinney four-year-old McZeus, 2:13, as Mr. Gardiner, his owner, has signified his intention of selling him.

AZOTE is by no means a has-been. Before entering on his sensational career in Mr. Salisbury's charge Azote was in a great deal more hopeless condition than he is at the present time.

MONROE SALISBURY returned every horse to its California owner that he brought East. He left his own horses at Chicago, among them being Directly, Alix, Azote and Too Soon.

MONROE SALISBURY will never start East with a big string loaded with entries again. He will take a few select ones and not try to stock every racetrack in the East with horses.

THE race track at Hotel del Monte has been regularly watered, rolled and harrowed and will be in excellent condition all Winter. Every warm evening it is thronged with fine teams.

THE San Francisco Boulevard Association will soon have a number of first class roads in readiness for those who love to ride and drive. The Board of Directors is composed of workers.

JIMMY SULLIVAN has his string of campaigners at the track at Willows, and if he receives all the horses promised him for next season he will have one of the best strings on the circuit.

HAHN BROS., of this city, have bought a full sister to Thompson, 2:15, by Boodle, 2:12½, from Chas. Vanina last week. They will send her to J. M. Nelson, at the Oakland track, to-day.

THE Hambletonian-Clay stallion, Dauntless 3158, has twenty nine standard performers to his credit, will be twenty-nine years old next season, and is doing active stud duty at Muscatine, Ia.

NINETEEN horses came down from Vina to Palo Alto and were placed in the Palo Alto horse cars with the others Wednesday and shipped to New York. Superintendent Frank W. Covey was in charge.

THE stock at the San Mateo Stock Farm never looked better, and when Cope Stinson gets up behind some of the youngsters he will say there's something besides climate in San Mateo worth boasting about.

R. I. ORR, of Hollister, has sent his two-year-old colt by Guy Wilkes, dam by Sultan, to Pat McCartney, Salinas, to be handled during the winter and prepared for his engagements in his three-year-old form.

GOVERNOR BUDD'S attention has been called to the disputes that are wrecking the Sixth Agricultural Association of Los Angeles, and he has had a lively time. The result of the quarrel has not been decided yet.

THE handsome bay filly Amazon, by Chas. Derby, 2:20, out of Ramona (dam of W. Wood, 2:07), by Anteo, has been sold to A. H. Cohen of Alameda. Amazon will be seen on the Alameda speed track next spring.

GEN. B. F. TRACY, the prominent New York horseman, is reported at work on a bill to be presented to the next New York legislature that will permit of speculation on trotting tracks during fifteen days of the year.

ALL horsemen agree that they never before saw so large a proportion of the trotting and pacing campaigners lame as this season. There was never before a time when they had to exert themselves so severely to win.

NATHAN STRAUS, of New York, has a full brother to Azote in his stable. He is a good roaster, but has never been trained for speed. President Cleveland drove the horse in Washington, but traded him back to Mr. Straus.

GEORGE WASHINGTON, Abraham Lincoln, William Shakespeare, J. Caesar, C. Columbus, N. Bonaparte and other noted people were arrested in a pool-room raid in Chicago last week. At least they so registered at the police station.

REMEMBER this fact, if you want to be up to date in regard to harnesses, clothing, etc., for your horses there is only one place in this city to get the information you seek and the articles you want, and that is at McKerron's, 203 and 205 Mason Street.

L. SHAFER, ex-Chief of Police, of Oakland, has some of the best bred youngsters (trotters and pacers in California), among them being the pacer Della S., 2:20½, and a Monbars three year-old, out of the dam of Arthur L., 2:15½, that rumor says is a corker.

H. W. CRABB is driving Topsy, 2:26½, and her full sister, Bellocra, as a team, and there are few, if any, in Napa County that can pass them. They are alike in size, color and gait, and are perfect in disposition. Topsy is five and her sister three years of age.

ARTHUR L., 2:15½, by Direct and Bywood, 2:10½, are in J. M. Nelson's string of horses at the Oakland track. This capable driver who brought the pacer Golden West so often to the front this season, will have a collection of good ones ready when the hell rings.

J. W. PAYVETT, of Walla Walla, has removed to Vancouver, Wash., where he will winter and train his stable of trotters, consisting in part of Caution, 2:25½, Warwick Maid, Dr. Stanley, by Caution, dam by Jerome Eddy, Greeting (2), by Sable Wilkes, dam Warwick Maid.

AT no time during the past two years was there a better opportunity for breeders to get fast, well-bred trotters at auction in the East than the present, and Californians who are gifted with a little foresight should purchase some of the gilt-edge stock now catalogued for sale there.

THERE is a two-year-old black filly by Grandissimo, 2:23½, out of Alida (dam of Directa, 2:28), by Admiral, on the Vine-land Stock Farm near St. Helena, Napa County, that is the making of a record breaker. If nothing happens her she will be heard from next year. She is a beauty.

THE suspension list in the office of the secretaries of the National and American associations is probably larger now than in any five years before, and unless the parent associations take some extraordinary action this Winter many a familiar face will be missing on the circuit next Summer.

A STANDING advertisement of your stallion is the best evidence in the world that you are in the business to stay, and that your confidence in the future condition of the industry is unlimited. So don't hide your lamp under a bushel, but place it in the window and see that it is trimmed and burning.

THOMAS S. GRIFFITH, of Spokane, Wash., has sold his yearling filly, Alateil, full sister to Chehalis, 2:07½; Del Norte, 2:14½; Touchet, 2:15; Coquette, 2:30, to B. P. Shawhan, of Payette, Idaho, for \$350. Mr. Shawhan got a great bargain in this filly, and we congratulate him on his good luck.

THERE will be more famous drivers on the California circuit next year that we have seen here for years and the search for likely "prospects" for the season is beginning. A large number of fast horses were knocked out and many reached their limit of speed on our tracks, hence their places must be taken by others.

BEMBO 16322, bay stallion, four years old, by Clay, 2:25, dam Tillie Patchen, by Ethan Wilkes, second dam Ritta Patchen, by Mambrino Patchen, third dam Sting, by Strathmore, took a pacing record of 2:17½ at Belton, Tex., October 12th. He is owned by J. E. Whiteselle, Corsicana, Tex., who purchased him in the spring of 1895 at Woodard & Shanklin's sale.

IT is not often that any one farm has a colt so good that he is harrowed from the races for youngsters of his age and finds that it has another good enough to go on and win. This was the case with Palo Alto this year. Adbell was barred from all the purses and stakes for two year-olds in this State, but the filly Palita was named in seven and took down first money in all of them.

MARCUS DALY, the copper king, soured on the trotters because he did not win all his races. He has put a thousand dollars in thoroughbreds where he put one dollar in a trotter, and yet his costly stable has been the most conspicuous failure on the turf within the past two years. Ben Kenney took a stable of trotters out for him this year, gave Rachael a mark of 2:08½, Lady Wilton one of 2:11½, and won some money for the Bitter Root ranch.

WALTER MABEN has a thoroughbred at the Bay District track, and will no doubt get quite a string of good ones at the new track. His arm is getting strong, but it is doubtful if it will be in condition to handle a lunk-headed trotter next year. At the track there is quite a collection of old-time trotting horsemen besides Maben: Frank Van Ness, Billy Donathan, Geo. Bayliss, Dick Havey, Billy Fieldwick, Dan Dennison, J. Green, J. Nolan and John Gooby.

K. O'GRADY, of the Laurel Creek Stock Farm, has fitted up a number of large paddocks for stallions at his beautiful place near Belmont. Mr. O'Grady had a large number of thoroughbreds at his place last winter and their owners were so well pleased with their improved condition that they have sent more to him this year. Mr. O'Grady is a very careful and conscientious horseman, and believes in taking the best of care of everything he has anything to do with.

JAS. DUSTIN, the well-known horseman, has been engaged by the Palo Alto Stock Farm, and will be seen in the sulky behind a number of the best trotters on the circuit next year. Mr. Dustin has a national reputation as a reinsman, and in his new position will no doubt add laurels of victory to the fame of the Farm by the Lone Pine. J. Chippen will also have a string of trotters, and the number of good ones these two knights of the sulky will pilot to victory will arouse some of our old horsemen to new life.

MESSRS. MILLER & SIBLEY, of Franklin, Pa., have made an arrangement with Col. R. P. Todhunter, of Lexington, Ky., to locate sixty head of trotting stock on a farm about six miles from Lexington. The lot will include the two Electioneer-Beautiful Bells stallions, Belsire and Electric Bell. The remainder will be broodmares, colts and fillies. They will be kept on a different place from that on which Col. Todhunter keeps his thoroughbred stock. Messrs. Miller & Sibley have not purchased a place in Kentucky, so far as we can learn, as stated by a contemporary.

VATICAN, 2:29½, son of Belmont and Vara, sire of Vassar, 2:07, pacing; Bell Vara, 2:08½, and other well-known performers, died November 8th, from a ruptured blood vessel, caused by sudden exertion while rolling in his paddock. Vatican was bred at Woodburn and owned for years by B. H. Neale, Richmond, Ky. When sold at auction Louis Brodhead bid him off for J. Malcolm Forhes at \$11,500. When placed in the stud at Massachusetts the fact developed that through excessive stud duties the horse was partially impotent, and he was sold in a New York auction sale for some \$750. He was owned by David Tuers, of Montclair, at his death and was seventeen years old.

OAKLAND BARON, 2:14½, the winner of the three-year-old Kentucky Futurity, is now nibbling grass on a paddock at Oakland Farm, near Paris, Ky. He still holds the two-year-old record that is next to Arion's, 2:10½. His breeding is of the kind that great youngsters come from, by Baron Wilkes, 2:18, dam by Silverthreads, son of The Moor; second dam Fleetwing (dam of Stamboul, etc.), by Hambletonian 10; third dam by Geo. M. Patchen, 2:23½; fourth dam by Abdallah 1. Why shouldn't he make a great sire? He is now over sixteen hands high and will round out and make a large horse. He will not wear harness next year, but will serve all of Col. Stoner's mares, except his own dam. In his five-year-old form his owner expects him to heat all the stallion records now existing. He was bred to four Baron Wilkes fillies last spring, three of which are believed to be in foal.

THE time honored Stonyford trotting stud is to be disbanded. Charles Backman, its founder and owner, has spoken a place for the first installment of eighty head in the sale to be held by Peter C. Kellogg & Co. at Madison Square Garden the first week in December. The remainder of the horses will be sold a few weeks later and this famous breeding stud will have become a thing of the past. Few trotting studs have left as marked an impression upon the stock of the country. Its famous hands of broodmares by American Star, Harry Clay and Hambletonian were the envy of all other breeding establishments during the latter '70s and until the earlier '80s. Probably its most famous broodmare was Green Mountain Maid, and its greatest horse, her son Electioneer. The latter established the success of the great Palo Alto stud in this State. But hundreds of other horses bred at Stonyford have added to the trotting wealth of the country.

THE great brood mare Emblem, died at Oradell Stock Farm, Oradell, N. J., on Monday, October 28, 1895, aged twenty-four years. Emblem was a bay mare foaled in 1872, the property of Mr. David Bonner, who presented her to go to a daughter of Mr. Peter K. Knapp, of Sparkill, N. Y. She was bred by a Mr. Minchin and was got by Minchin's Tom Moore, out of Lady Stanford (dam of Jay Gould, 2:21½) by American Star 14; second dam Old Sorrel, by Exton Eclipse. She was first bred in 1875, and in all produced thirteen foals. Her produce in the 2:30 list are Nannie K., 2:27½, h m, by Deucalion; Alley K., 2:29½, b g, by Deucalion; Lizzie K., 2:26½, by Deucalion, and Blauvelt, 2:29½, h s, by Deucalion. To the cover of Messenger Duroc, she threw the bay mare Janette, who is the dam of Cheyenne, 2:14½; Newbold, 2:27½; and Jean Wilkes, 2:29½. Emblem also produced several others that showed speed. Her last foal was a bay colt by Alcylene, that had to be raised on a bottle. It is said that Emblem was so weak after her last colt was foaled that it was thought she would die; but she rallied, however, and was this year bred again to Alcylene for the second time, and was thought to have been carrying a foal by him at the time of her death. Emblem has proved her worth, and taking her opportunities into consideration, she will pass into trotting-horse history as one of the greatest broodmares.