

THE SULKY.

SEND in your lists of foals.

THERE is no dearth of good pasturage in California this year.

HAZEL WILKES, 2:11; Guinette, 2:10½, and Mary Karr will be in the stable of a Boston trainer, this year.

JAS. BERRYMAN is handling thirteen head of trotters and pacers at the To Kalon Stock Farm, Oakville, Napa county, Cal.

R. R. BROWN has been elected secretary of the Los Angeles Agricultural Association. Mr. Brown is the right man in the right place.

ED. DE CERNEA, of New York, has offered M. E. McHenry \$7,000 for Phoebe Wilkes, 2:08½, presumably in behalf of a horseman in France.

THE directors of the Rochester Driving Park have decided to give purses of \$20,000 at the autumn meeting, which is to be held from August 3d to 23d.

ALCONA JR., 2:19, was sold to one of the principal owners of thoroughbreds at Bay District Track last week. Further particulars we have not learned.

J. MONAHAN, of Louisville, Ky., has sold to Ed de Cernea, of New York, the bay mare Austrain, 2:16½, by Princeton, dam by Belmont; price, \$5,000.

THE article entitled "Seeley's American Star," which we published last week, was written by Mr. Joseph Battell for The Horseman and is copied from that journal.

SAMUEL THOMAS, of Haywards, has accepted the position of trainer at the Mokelumne Stock Farm, and is busy with Silver Bow, 2:16, and a number of very promising colts and fillies.

MARIN JR., 2:13, was taken to Pleasanton Monday. Andy McDowell, the king of reinsmen, says, "I like him. He'll make the best of 'em move up a little to pass him to the wire this year!"

C. M. STEWART, Oelwein, Ia., will work his stallion Prince Ryan by Dexter Prince, dam Ryan Mare, dam of four in 2:30 list, for speed this year. Prince Ryan has never been worked, but has abundance of natural speed and should go fast.

B. H. MCNEIL, of Fortuna, Humboldt county, shipped his Anteros-Lily Langtry pacing stallion, Dudley, 2:14, to Monroe Salisbury last Monday. If he comes up to expectations Dudley will be one of the best in Salisbury's string this season.

THE grandly-bred stallion, Don Marvin, 2:22½, is standing at F. P. Lowell's place, Sacramento, for \$40. His book will be filled in a little while for his progeny are "the talk of the town." Fine looking, well made, pure gaited and all having excellent dispositions.

THOS. SMITH, of Vallejo, will have Geo. Washington, 2:20, in all the races in which he is eligible this season. This horse is better than he ever was, and everyone hopes Mr. Smith will meet with success wherever he trots this game campaigner.

ED. DECERNIA, of New York, has purchased of General W. H. Gentry, Lila Turner, 4, by Jerome Turner, dam by Red Wilkes, for \$2,000, and from Oscar Johnson, of Williamstown, Myra Simmons, by Ben Simmons, dam by Allie West, for \$1,000.

HORSE breeders who desire to breed a class of perfect roadsters that have good bone, style, high action and will be perfect in conformation should send their mares to Green's Rufus, the great prize winning hackney stallion. His advertisement appears in this issue.

LEW TROTTER, the well-known Western driver, died at Wichita, Kan., last week. He had been sick for over two years. In 1893 he came down the Grand Circuit with the string owned by Du Bois Brothers of Denver, Col., and won several goods races with W. W. P., 2:10½.

OF the twenty-one sires ten years and younger that had five or more in the standard list at the close of 1894, twelve have records from 2:11½ to 2:27½, and one other, Chimes, has a record of 2:30½—and every member of this group descent in the direct male line from Hambletonian 10.

THE grey pacing gelding Excell by Sidney, dam by Mambrino Patchen, has been bought by B. B. Kramer and Dr. Watson, of Punxsutawny, Pa., from I. N. Ake, of Burnside, Pa. He will be put into James T. Chambers' stable in the spring. [The breeding of this colt must be wrong.—ED.]

GEORGE CASTLE writes from Chicago, Ill., that Rocker, 2:11, won \$1,938 instead of \$1,650 as credited to him in The American Sportsman last week. This places him second in the list of the winning get of Hambletonian Wilkes, while the total amount won by the produce of his sire in increased to \$9,933.

H. S. HOGBOOM is breaking a promising colt owned by John Rupley. The little fellow is out of a Clay Duke mare by Waldstein, and is only ten months old. He has been hitched up only six times and yesterday at the track showed a burst of speed considerably better than a three-minute gait. —Woodland Mail.

MONROE SALISBURY says he will never again let a horse of his serve a mare unless that horse shows him two-minute speed for at least an eighth, nor will he ever breed any mare of his to a horse that does not do the same act. Two minutes or nothing. He has advanced just ten seconds in four years, for in 1891 he said he would never let Direct serve a mare until he had gone a mile in 2:10.

IF Monroe Salisbury adds many more horses to his string for 1895, his stable will be composed of the greatest lot of campaigners which was ever led onto a race track. He has secured for this season from S. A. Paddock of Brooklyn, N. Y., the great young stallion Brooks, 2:15½, which half a dozen drivers around New York were clamoring for. It is reported that Mr. Salisbury will have that good filly Beuzetta, 2:22½, winner of the \$30,000 Futurity in his string also.

SINCE the recent sales in Lexington and New York there has been the greatest amount of life infused into the trotting horse business, and it really looks as if the good times of a few years ago are returning. The stallion owners have still further reduced the prices of service fees, every farmer and breeder has taken a new interest in the harness horse, and it is safe to say that in Kentucky, at least, the business is on a genuine and solid foundation.

HEREWITH is given the height of some famous trotters, sires and great brood mares: George Wilkes, 15; Electioneer, 15 2; Director, 15 1; Alix, 15 2; Directum, 15; Harrietta, 15 1; Little Albert, 15 1; Robert J., 15 2; Flora Temple, 15 1; Clara, dam of Dexter, Dictator, etc., 15; Reina Victoria, 14 3; Beautiful Bells, 15; Emeline, 15 1; Hambletonian, 15 1; Harold, 15 1; Alcione, 15 1; Nancy Hanks, 15 1; Guy, 14 3; Pamlico, 15 1; Jav-Eye-See, 14 3; Goldsmith Main, 15 1; Green Mountain Maid, 15 1; Alma Mater, 15 1; Minnehaha, 15; Waterwitch, 15 2.

THOSE carping individuals who have been criticising the Oregon legislature for not having done anything they promised, have not closely watched proceedings. One act alone will immortalize this legislature. It passed a bill to make the cost of horse-shoeing a lien on the horse. Just think of this act! Shoe your \$5 plug with a \$1.25 pair of shoes, fail to pay, and the horse-shoer may stop your family carriage and recover the shoes with the plug attached. The people of the State, in breathless anxiety, await the action of Governor Lord on this bill. He surely cannot veto it.—Eugene City Guard.

PRODIGAL, 2:16, will be seen on the turf the coming season, when it is expected he will lower his record to 2:12, says the Anaconda Recorder. At the Bitter Root ranch twenty-six yearlings by Prodigal are in the hands of the trainer. Quite a string of harness horses from the Daly stables will campaign in the fall. Among the list will be Practical, a two-year-old by Prodigal, dam Helen T., a full sister to Arion, 2:07½; A. L. Kempland, 2:26½; Lady Wilton and several pacers. Arguros and Martial, two-year-olds, by Milroy, a son of Guy Wilkes, are entered for the events at Galesburg, Ill., during August.

THE horses are wintering well in Oregon, and on the different tracks may be seen in active preparation for the spring campaign Challenger Chief, 2:16, Pballamont Boy, 2:18½, Holmdel, 2:18½, Blondie, 2:19½, Pearl Fisher, 2:18½, Prince Almont, p., 2:13, Del Norte, p., 2:14½, Rosemon, p., 2:1½, Kittitas Ranger, 2:20½, Pilot Lemont, 2:21½, Vanquish, 2:19, and several others in slower classes. Klamath, 2:12½, Altao, 2:16, Ella T. p., 2:12, and Touchet, 3, p., 2:15, are being worked in California this winter. Oregon and Washington have sent some very fast ones through the different circuits heretofore, and the prospect for some new ones is very flattering the coming season.

IT is claimed by some close observers of trotting affairs that those who control the American Register Association are partisans of Electioneer and Pilot Jr., and opposed to stock by George Wilkes. One reason urged in support of these contentions is the change made in the pedigree of George Wilkes, throwing out the breeding of Dolly Spanker as previously accepted. This was strenuously objected to by those who are interested in the Wilkes strain. The latest gossip is to the effect that the pedigree of Pilot Jr., is to be revised, and Nancy Pope, his dam, will be accepted as thoroughbred. Hitherto this mare has been referred to as "sire not traced, dam Nancy Taylor, pedigree not traced."

ISAAC B. FLEMING, the well-known trainer of trotters at Fleetwood Park, has purchased from Beam Brothers, of this city, the pacer Frank B., 2:18, by Clark's Hambletonian, dam Bird B., by Stockbridge Chief Jr. His record was made in 1892, on a half-mile track, and to a high-wheeled sulky. Fleming thinks the horse ought to be a good one in his class, and he will fit him for some races in the early spring circuit, which begins at Baltimore, May 6. Fleming will also campaign in the Baltimore, Philadelphia, and New York circuit, the black horse San Pedro, 2:14½, and the bay filly Scud, a three-year-old full sister to Don Lowell, 2:14½.

B. W. MOORE has charge of about 200 head of horses, mostly trotting, pacing and thoroughbred stock, the property of Hon. W. A. Shippee, which are kept here and fed on Kings county hay and pastures. Mr. Moore has personally handled 400 tons of hay twice during the past year. He leases the land, cuts the hay and in the winter hauls it out and scatters it for the stock to eat. This is equivalent to handling 800 tons once. Each season about fifty of the horses are selected and taken away for training and about the same number of younger ones brought here to keep up the band. Horses thrive excellently on Kings county pastures and Mr. Shippee finds this a good place to keep them.—Hanford Sentinel.

INTEREST is being revived in the Ladies' and Gentlemen's Driving and Riding Club, with a view to arranging for another series of matinees which were so popular last season. The annual meeting of the membership will be held on Monday evening, March 11th, probably at the Board of Trade rooms, at which time the reports of officers will be heard and nine Directors will be elected. A full attendance of the members is expected, and it is hoped that ways and means may be devised to widen the scope of organization and make its entertainments as successful financially as they are socially. The present secretary, Mr. Benson, will not be a candidate for re-election, as his time is fully occupied with other business.—Mercury San Jose.

TWO of the great speed producers at Parkville Farm have been bred to Edition, a colt who is not quite twenty-four months old. One of them, Nell, was foaled in 1878, and is the dam of four in the fast list, including Vassar, 2:07; Belle Vara, 2:08½; Lighthall, 2:21½, and Georgette, 2:27. The other is Sonnet, fourteen years old, whose fame rests on the performances of her three sons, Poem, Prose and Stanza. Edition inherits the blood of Miss Russell and Green Mountain Maid from his sire, Expedition, and is out of Rosebud, the only daughter of Goldsmith Maid.

MANY breeders attribute the present condition of the horse market to an overproduction and the introduction of electricity. The overproduction has been entirely of the cheap grades and this class is what is being displaced by electricity. Electricity can never take the place of the heavy draft or fine coach-horse. General business depression has had more to do with the fall in the horse market than anything else. Nearly everyone is economizing and doing without, or making the best of what they have. That this condition will last long no one believes, as a renewed demand is among the certainties of the future. When this fresh demand does come there will be a short supply to meet it, because of the falling off in breeding for the past three years.

THE Calaveras County Agricultural District has now held two fairs, and the one held at San Andreas was a grand success to all appearances, but we do not remember of seeing any statement published of the business transactions. Two fairs received \$3,000 from the State, and in addition a large amount was contributed from individuals. The citizens of San Andreas subscribed liberally for race track and pavilion. Awards were made, but we believe it is not generally known that they have been paid. It does seem that in a public matter of that kind there should have been a published report of receipts and expenditures, in a word a financial statement of the condition of the institution at a reasonable time after the fair closed.—Mokelumne Hill Chronicle.

COMPLAINTS about the mistakes in Volume 10 of the Year Book multiply as the compilers of pedigrees and statistics examine the work more closely. Onward is omitted from the list of producing sons of George Wilkes. The performance of Ralph Wilkes when he trotted in 2:06½ last October at Nashville, does not appear in the list of champion five-year-olds, though it is to be found in the report of the meeting and in other tables. There are two trotters named Alcione, by Alcione, and both scored below 2:30 last year. One is a mare and the other a stallion, but the Year Book only mentions the male Alcione and credits him with the record made by the mare. Alcinta, a pacer by Alcantara, is mentioned as having a dam of unknown pedigree, whereas she is out of a mare by Electioneer, got before the hero of Palo Alto was taken to California. Many of these errors are the result of carelessness on the part of the associations where the records were made.

ALEXANDER'S NORMAN has left behind him quite a stream of speed production, and as an "outside family," the Normans have contributed substantially to our present great trotting structure. Norman possessed not only the elements of speed production, but extremespeed production, his blood having played an important part in the production of more than one holder of champion records, and his action controlling powers were decidedly marked. True, he has to his immediate credit but two standard performers, yet notwithstanding the fact that they were foaled in 1864 and 1868 respectively, and both out of mares by thoroughbred sires, they have records of 2:15 and 2:20 and Lula, 2:15, was a champion record holder twenty years ago. She is also the dam of Lulaneer, the sire of the great colt Limonero, 2:15½, that made such a phenomenal campaign during 1894, and she produced Lula Wilkes, dam of Advertiser, 2:15½, and he the sire of Adbell (1), 2:23, holder of the world's record for trotting yearlings. May Queen, 2:20 is the dam of May King, 2:21½, and Maiden, 2:23 at three years old, and is also the grandam of Marston C, 2:19½, another good three-year-old of 1894. Four of the sons of Norman have sired fifty-four standard performers, and thirteen of his daughters have produced nineteen that have standard records. Norma, by Norman, produced the great young sire Norval, 2:14½, sire of Lakeside Norval, 2:15, Norhawk, 2:15, and nine other standard performers. "Other descendants" of Norman constitute quite a list, and among them are many good and consistent performers. A leading characteristic of the Normans is their general individual excellence. Many worse strains are much more carefully looked after.

THERE has been a great deal written upon the foot of the horse and the art of shoeing during the past year, still it can be said that up to the publication of David Roberge's work entitled "The Foot of the Horse, or Lameness and All Diseases of the Feet Traced to an Unbalanced Foot Bone," has the public been afforded a comprehensive treatise upon this all important question. Mr. Roberge is a practical as well as a theoretical gentleman, and in his truly wonderful work sets forth in a pleasing and convincing manner the cause and cure of all ailments to the horse's foot incident to faulty shoeing, balancing, etc. The work is a book of over four hundred pages, and every page contains matter that is instructive to every owner, trainer and shoer of the horse. The cause of every ailment to the horse's foot is made as clear as the light of day, and, following the explanation of the cause, in plain words, the cure or preventive is given. We have carefully read the book, and the statement is made without reservation that in every respect the work excels anything of its character yet published. It cannot fail to become the blacksmith's text book and the trainer's guide when dealing with complex and difficult subjects. In a word, no trainer can afford to be without it, and to the blacksmith who pretends to keep pace with the rapid advancement of his calling it is as necessary as is the anvil and forge. To give a full description of the work would take more space than is at present at our command, so extensively does it deal with the subject under discussion. The volume is extensively illustrated, and everything done necessary to make what has heretofore been difficult matters to explain as clear as the alphabet.

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