

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9.

This being Saturday, a large crowd journeyed to the track this afternoon, and as the three favorites won, the public held their own and returned home well satisfied with the day's sport. The feature of the afternoon's racing was of course the match race for \$500 between Grady and Marquise, being the outcome of the mile and a quarter handicap, run yesterday. Opinion was evenly divided as to the merits of the two horses, but by the time they went into the starter's hands the mare was favorite at 3 to 5, while evens could always be obtained against the Fresno horse. On the first attempt Starter Summer dispatched the two candidates to a most beautiful start, neither horse having any advantage. Passing the stand Grady assumed command and "Chile" Cole hustled him along. He led by a half length. At the half he was still in front, now by a length, and it looked then like a foregone conclusion that he would win, as even the uninitiated could see that the pace was terrific (they ran the first three quarters in 1:15), and the mare was seen to falter. But young Cole did not take any chances with Owens' filly, and kept on going, and as they reached the stretch he looked like an easy winner. Amid the greatest enthusiasm he passed under the wire winner (all out) by four lengths, in 2:09, and considering the hard race of yesterday this run stamps Grady as nearly first-class, for the track was at least a second slow, and, having to set his own pace, the race was without a doubt one of the finest seen in California in many a day, and the cheering that awarded "Chile" Cole and Grady for the great feat was only exceeded by the crowd that witnessed the Salvator-Tenny match many years ago. Owens Bros. were the recipients of congratulations on all sides, and judging by the enthusiasm shown, the victory was a most popular one, as the horse is a product of this raisin country and Owens Bros. have farmed here for many years.

The other races were only fair. The first race on the card was a special trot arranged by the Secretary between local horses, and afforded one very close finish. The starters were Tokalon, Topsy J., Nellie Bly and Bolinas. Tokalon was an odds-on favorite for the first heat, and he won very easily in 2:27 from Topsy J. For some unaccountable reason Nellie Bly, in Owens' stable, was an odds-on favorite for the second heat, but after she had led to the stretch was collared by Tokalon, and in a furious drive Clark brought the pacer with the odd name up with a great rush and landed him a winner by a head in 2:25.

The fourth event was the match race, and considerable money was played on both starters, as the distance, weights, etc., were identically the same as yesterday. Tokalon was then a prohibitive favorite and won the third heat jogging in 2:26½.

The unfinished three-eighth heat race for saddle horse was the first on the card and Darkey again won in 0:37½.

The third race, a selling affair at five eighths, brought out six starters, of which Decision was a 1 to 2 favorite. She justified the confidence placed in her by winning handily in 1:02, with Howard second and Polish third. The fractional time was: One quarter, 0:25½; one-half, 0:50; three-quarters, 1:15; mile, 1:41¾, and one and one-quarter in 2:09. This was certainly a great performance, when it is considered the uniform rate the first three-quarters was run. "Chile" Cole shows that he is the making of one of the best light boys in the country, as he can ride as light as 85 pounds. Grady is a heavy headed horse, and the boy deserves as much credit as does the son of Three Cheers, now the "hero of the hour" in Fresno.

The closing event of the day was the hurdle handicap, at a mile and a half over six hurdles. Gov. Budd opened favorite at 4 to 5, but the strong play on Mestor made him recede in price until he went to 2's, then a heavy play came from somewhere, and his price was driven down to even. At post time both Mestor and the Governor were at evens, Tom Clark 3 (opened at 2), Gold Dust 5 (opened at 2), Viking 4. To a perfect start, Tom Clark assumed the lead, but ran out and dropped back five or six lengths behind the last horse. Then Mestor went out in front, closely attended by the Governor and Gold Dust. The order was not materially changed until about three eighths from home, when Gold Dust and Budd drew away, and at the last jump they were head and head. In a drive Gold Dust won by one half a length, Gov. Budd a length in front of Mestor the others strung out. Tom Clark broke down and in all probabilities has faced the flag for the last time.

SUMMARIES.

Three-eighth heats, saddle horses owned in Fresno county.	
Darkey, 1st heat 3 to 1; second heat 2 to 5.	1 1
Fox, 1st heat 1 to 2; second, 3 to 5	2 2
Queen	dis
Demon	dis
Susie	3 w
Time—0:37½, 0:37¼.	

Won both heats easily.

Second Race—Special mixed race.	
Heilbron Bros.' Tokalon by Richards' Elector	Clark 1 1 1
Nellie Bly	Gov. Budd 3 2 3
Hollis	A. Anderson 4 3 2
Trophy J.	Staas 2 4 4
Time—2:27, 2:25, 2:26½.	

Third Race—Running five-eighths of a mile selling.

Decision br m, by Imp. Wagner—Fletch, 3 to 5, 105 pounds	Russell 1
Howard, 3 to 1, 107	Adenra 1
Poly, 3 to 1, 107	Wilson 2 3
Time—1:02.	

Won handily by a length, two between second and third. Emma D. Talbot Clifton, Capt. Cos. also ran.

Fourth Race—Match \$500 a side, mile and three quarters.	
Owen Bros. h c Grady, by Three Cheers—Gold Cup, even, 112 pounds	Cole 1
Mare, 3 to 8, 109	Wilson 2
Time—2:09.	

Won all the way and all out at finish by four lengths.

Fifth Race—One and one-half hurdle handicap.	
Kelly & Sun's Gold Dust, hg, a, by Orlo—Gold Cup, 5 to 1, 138 pounds	Hanna 1
Gov. Budd, even, 142	Peters 2
Mestor, even, 147	Martinez 3
No time taken.	
Won in a drive by a length a half length between second and third. Tom Clark and Viking also ran.	

The Iowa man who owned the guideless wonder, Pacing Johnny, that killed himself at Napoleon, O., last summer, is out with a real novelty. He has educated a pacing horse that he calls Pacing Johnny, Jr., and a trotting horse called Black Prince, to race against one another without sulky or driver. The trotter goes without hobbles, and the horses race as if they meant it—go their miles close to 2:30, score for the word as if driven, and answer the recall bell without coaching.

San Jose Race Meeting.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7.

The race meeting has "caught on." The splendid races which have been given, the promptness with which the horses have been started, the excellent display of judgment in the judges stand, the "fastness" of the surface of both tracks and the lovely weather, all combined to attract the public. The lovely Santa Clara valley was the first to feel the influence of the wave of prosperity, and, judging by the long trains of heavily-laden cars waiting to be sent across the continent with the products of the orchards and the vineyards, its effects will not pass away until long after Thanksgiving Day.

Working against heavy odds the association labored night and day and the crowded grandstands and betting ring to-day caused the directors to "smile their happiest." Besides, the voice of the auctioneer was heard giving out the odds while his clerks were busy exchanging tickets for coins of the realm. The bookmaking was a farce while the Paris Mutual machines did a land office business.

There was a coursing match each morning, but instead of the shifty jackass rabbit of the plains a mechanical substitute was used which, fastened by a long wire to a wheel about 500 yards from the starting point, was sent on its bounding journey at such a pace that the sleek greyhounds could never catch it. As a test of speed it was excellent, but as an exciting chase it could not be called an Ingleside success.

A mile trot for a record was the first event on the afternoon programme. G. B. Dawson's brown colt Valentine, by Hoolie, 2:12½, dam by Carr's Mambrino, was driven around the circle by C. Rodriguez in 2:30.

There were three starters in the 2:40 trot for three-year-olds; G. E. Shaw's Uncle Johnny, W. Beck's Cordray and the Palo Alto Stock Farm's Anselor. The talent picked out Uncle Johnny, and in the auction pools he sold at \$15 to \$5 for Anselor and \$3 for Cordray.

Uncle Johnny took first position at the start, and soon several lengths separated him from the second horse. At the three quarters it looked as if Uncle Johnny was leading by a block. He was driven easy up the stretch, and jogged under the wire an easy winner in 2:23½. Cordray was second.

W. Mack, who had driven Cordray in the first heat, retired, and Billy Donathan, with thirty-one pounds overweight, took his place.

There was little betting on the second heat. Uncle Johnny was sold a few times at \$10 to \$3 for the field. The favorite took this heat easily in 2:22. Cordray broke in the stretch, and was passed by Anselor, who finished second.

Uncle Johnny made it three straight, leading all the way around, and winning the heat and race in 2:19½.

Four horses came to the post for the five-furlong running race for three-year olds. February was the favorite in the books, and was quoted at 1 to 2. Nebula was second choice at 4 to 5. Santa Lucia opened at 10 to 1, but the price was steadily beaten down until just before the race it reached 4 to 1. The odds on Permane went as high as 12 to 1.

February and Nebula fought out the race, the favorite winning by half a length in an interesting finish. Santa Lucia was third. Time, 1:02½.

The mile and a sixteenth running race also had four starters. All were to carry 99 pounds, but Thelma, the favorite, had an extra pound, and Mollie R., the second choice, four pounds overweight. The closing betting was: Thelma, 7 to 10; Mollie R., 6 to 5; Two Cheers, 2½ to 1; Sir Phillip, 25 to 1.

Enos, who piloted Masero to victory in two races at this meeting, again distinguished himself. He kept Mollie R. under a wrap until the stretch was reached and then let her out, the little chestnut mare winning by half a length. Thelma beat Two Cheers for the place by a short head. Time, 1:49½.

Five horses came out to contest in the great 2:13 class trot. They were J. O. Perkins' Jasper Ayres, Hostetter & Co.'s Ethel Downs, B. Erkebrecher's Galette, Park Henshaw's Mamie Griffin and A. Cormack's Wayland W. Jasper Ayres was the favorite, bringing \$20 to \$6 for the field.

C. F. Burch drove Ethel Downs, and in the first heat he took the famous black mare through the race of her life. Ethel went out in the lead, never skipping a step, while Galette and Jasper Ayres broke before they got around the first time. Burch kept Ethel at a rattling gait, and the horsemen who were watching the race grew enthusiastic when the quarter was reached in 0:33. Ethel was at her best, and the half was reeled off in 1:04½. The black mare was still leading at the three-quarters, which was reached in 1:37. Jasper Ayres, despite several breaks, was not far behind, and in the stretch he came up with his old-time swiftness, but he could not catch Ethel, who won in a whipping finish by a head. Burch showing that he could drive this mare better than anyone who ever held a line over her before. Galette was third. Ethel Downs' time for the mile was 2:10, breaking the track record of 2:13½, made by Adenia, driven by Andy McDowell, three years ago. When the announcement was made that Ethel Downs had won there was a great burst of applause from the spectators.

There was little or no change in the betting after the first heat, Jasper Ayres still selling favorite.

Mamie Griffin led off in the second heat, but Ethel passed her at the first turn. This was another fast mile and Jasper Ayres ruined all his chances of winning by breaking four times. This was of advantage to him as far as speed was concerned, as he is one of those peculiar horses who gain by their breaks, but the rules say that a horse making as many as four breaks shall be set back by the judges. Ethel went to the quarter in 0:32, passed the half in 1:04½ and reached the three-quarter pole in 1:37½. Then Jasper Ayres came in and a hard drive beat her to the wire by a head. The time was 2:10½, only half a second slower than the first heat. The judges set Jasper Ayres back for breaking and gave the heat to Ethel Downs. The decision was received with great applause.

Wayland W was withdrawn after the second heat because of lameness.

There was a change in the betting, field money going in the box at \$10 to \$9 for Jasper Ayres. A few minutes later the field and Jasper Ayres sold at even money. Just before the heat the betting changed again, Jasper Ayres selling at \$10 to \$7 for the field.

Ethel went out in the lead and seemed a sure winner until the three quarters was reached. Then Perkins began to let Jasper Ayres out. Down the stretch the favorite gained steadily, and in a heart-breaking finish Ethel Downs was beaten by half a length. The time for the heat was 2:11½.

There was practically no betting after the third heat, horsemen generally being of the opinion that Ethel Downs had gone too fast in the first two heats to be able to hold enough speed in reserve to win another heat.

Ethel led into the stretch again in the fourth heat and Jasper Ayers once more performed his old trick of finishing like a belated special train and won by a length in 2:12½. Ethel Downs was second.

The fifth heat was trotted in the gathering darkness as the management did not desire to have any unfinished races. Ethel led off once more. Jasper broke soon after the start but he recovered in an instant and at the half he was within whispering distance of the leader. When the stretch was reached he passed her and came in winner in 2:13 flat. This gave him the race and also the honor of being the winner of the five fastest consecutive heats ever trotted in California.

But Ethel Downs in these cracking five heats never made a skip nor a break but trotted as honest a race as ever was seen on a race course in California. Every heat was a race for her and her happy owners should feel as proud as the owners of her game sire Boodle 2:12½, the horse that is destined to be the sire of the gamest horses ever bred in California, if not the gamest.

SUMMARIES.

Trotting to heat 2:40.	
Valentine (2) by Boodle—by Carr's Mambrino.	Time, 2:30.
Trotting, 2:40 class, three-year-olds; purse \$300.	
Uncle Johnny, by Benton Boy.	Maben 1 1 1
Cordray, by Coeur d'ale.	Donaldson 2 3 2
Anselor, by Electricity.	Hayey 3 2 3
Time—2:23½, 2:22, 2:29½.	
Trotting, 2:13 class; purse \$500.	
Jasper Ayres, by Iris.	Perkins 2 2 1 1 1
Ethel Downs, by Bo die.	Bunch 1 1 2 2 2
Mamie Griffin, by Blackbird.	Sullivan 5 4 3 3 3
Galette, by Jud Wilkes.	Maben 3 3 4 4 4
Wayland W., by Arthur Wilkes.	Van Bokkelen 4 5 dis
Time—2:10½, 2:11½, 2:12½, 2:13.	
Trotting; purse \$150. Five furlongs.	
February, 114 pounds.	Leonard 1
Nebula, 114.	Freeman 2
Santa Lucia, 109.	Butler 3
Time—1:02½.	
Pamante, 109, also ran.	
Running; purse \$120. Mile and one-sixteenth.	
Mollie R., 99 pounds.	Enos 1
Thelma, 90.	Jo es 2
Two Cheers, 99.	McNichols 3
Time—1:19½.	
Sir Philip, 90, also ran.	

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8.

Everyone in the city and county was talking about the great Jasper Ayres—Ethel Downs race. The San Jose Mercury, which is one of the best papers published in California, devoted three columns to the race meeting, and the good work in behalf of the association had an excellent effect in bringing everybody to the splendid course at Agricultural Park.

The first event scheduled was the 2:16 trot, three in five, for a purse of \$500, Pasonte (Hayey), Daisy Wood (Maben), Dr. Leek (Sullivan), Lady O. (Marchand), Margaret Worth (Franklin) and Letter B. (Van Bokkelen) as starters. Dr. Leek was favorite at \$10, with \$8 for Pasonte and \$8 for the field.

After the usual preliminaries in bringing the horses up to the proper position a start was made with Lady O. at the pole. Dr. Leek made a spurt for the lead, but failed ingloriously, and before the half was reached he was hugging the rear with the tenacity that promised a shut-out at the close. Pasonte was to the fore at the half, with Margaret Worth a close second. These positions were unchanged, Pasonte winning by half a length in the prettiest kind of a drive in 2:14½, Margaret Worth second, Lady O. third, Daisy Wood fourth, Letter B. fifth and Dr. Leek sixth.

The scoring was long and tedious, Dr. Leek acting as if he disliked to start in such company, so Starter Covey finally sent him away after giving the horse every possible chance to do better. Pasonte won the heat in 2:13 flat. Daisy Wood was second, Margaret Worth third, Lady O. fourth, Letter B. fifth and Dr. Leek distanced.

The start was a good one, but Pasonte broke at the first quarter and fell back to the rear place. Margaret Worth moved up to the front, with Lady O. and Daisy Wood hanging to her as close as possible. It was one of the prettiest races ever seen on the track, the three were so closely matched. Margaret won the heat from Lady O. by two lengths in 2:15½. Daisy Wood was third. Pasonte captured the fourth place from Letter B.

Hi Hogboom showed that he is "master of the lines," for the way he handled Lady O. in the next heat and snatched victory out of the teeth of defeat elicited the applause of all. He laid behind Margaret Worth until the homestretch was reached, and as Franklin behind Margaret Worth began to use the whip Hogboom lifted his little mare and carried her to the front, winning by half a length in 2:15. Pasonte was third, Daisy Wood was fourth and Letter B. fifth.

Pasonte was sold as favorite at \$10 to \$8. Margaret Worth acted badly after the word was given, but she showed that her speed was with her, for at the half she was leading by a length, with Pasonte second and Lady O. third. Pasonte broke and fell back, so the battle rested between the two mares. Margaret won the heat by a nose from her game antagonist in 2:17 and the people who backed Pasonte rallied around the pool box to "hedge."

Only three came out for the sixth heat, Pasonte, Margaret Worth and Lady O., all cracking good mares. Margaret Worth led to the half, then Lady O. passed her, and as the former regained her lost position the two moved like a team to get to the front and broke, and Lady O. forging ahead, won the heat by a length in 2:16.

"Two heats apiece, Lady O. favorite!" was the way the judges observed the situation. Messrs. Hayey, Hogboom and Franklin thought each of their mares would win, so no time was lost in scoring. Lady O. won it fairly from Margaret Worth in 2:16½. Pasonte third. This was acknowledged.

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