

Sulky Notes.

TOKALON STOCK FARM sale May 25th at Naps.

BELLOTA STOCK FARM sale May 31st at San Francisco.

THE Breeders have opened a purse of \$1000 for 2:18 class pacers.

DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS should announce their programs as soon as possible.

BEN WALKER is thinking of taking a stable of trotters to Europe next winter.

THE Vancouver Jockey Club will open their season with a matinee on May 24th.

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MANY owners who were negligent are wishing they had entered in the P. C. T. H. B. A. races.

LOUPE, 2:09½, is now in training at the track at Honolulu, H. I., and is looking well and going fast.

BIG purses for the free for all trotters and pacers are to be offered later on by the Breeders Association.

THE management of Empire City Park, New York, may decide to give an October meeting, after Lexington.

THE ideal road horse goes in an open bridle, with an easy check and no hoots. This kind sells well at any time.

DEBBY PRINCESS, 2:08½, is coming back from Austria. The black mare has not been a success on the European turf, having failed to win a race since making her ocean voyage.

It is now said that Cobwebs, 2:12, has at last been beaten on the New York Speedway, but it took a horse with a record of 2:09½ to do it. David B. was the horse that out-brushed the big son of Whip.

A CUT of the shoes worn by Emily, 2:11; Heir-at-Law, 2:05½; The Monk, 2:03½; The Abbot, 2:08, and Tommy Britton, 2:09½, who were trained by Ed Geers, shows that they all went with the square-toed ones.

ALL the fast horses are not out here in California. Week before last the bay gelding Louis Victor, 2:10½, by Tuscarora Sea King, trotted a quarter in 31½ seconds and an eighth in 15½ seconds on the Readville track.

THE horsemen around the tracks are telling a story of a man who received \$1800 for a team of horses and insisted on retaining the halters, compelling the new owner to purchase a new pair. The old ones were worth at least a dollar each.

THE report that Sweepstakes dam of Star Pointer and Hal Pointer, is the dam of a mule, is erroneous. H. P. Pointer owns, however, a pair of mules one being out of the dam of Hal Dillard 2:04½, and the other out of the dam of Storm, 2:08½.

A CHOICE consignment of high-stepping, well-mannered roadsters was sold by auction at the Chicago Stock Yards last Thursday. In the lot were seven or eight head that brought from \$200 to \$425 each. They were shipped from Rushville, Ill., by James Montooth.

AFTER having had about twenty-seven drivers for Jupe 2:10½, by Abbie Wilkes, the owner of that horse announces that Jupe will be taken to some western track to be conditioned and driven for a fast record against time by his owner. The stallion should land well inside the 2:10 mark when he is just on edge.

JAMES GOLDEN has a great prospect in the black three-year-old filly by Dexter Prince, dam Carrie C., 2:24, by Electioneer. She is a magnificently gaited young mare, and shows very fast at the trot. Mr. Golden thinks her the best prospect he ever trained and will not start her until she is fully matured.

MR. JASPER REEVES, of Cornelius, has sent his mare Beulah to Oakland, Cal., to be bred to McKinney. Beulah is the dam of Kinnont, sired by McKinney, and Mr. Reeves is desirous of getting another by him. Beulah is also the dam of Lou Lane, by Coeur d'Alene, and probably the fastest two-year-old pacer in Oregon.

DIRECTLY, 2:03½, is thought to be good enough for the free-for-all this year, in which Star Pointer, John R. Gentry and Joe Patchen have been considered a class by themselves. Anaconda and Searchlight are ready for any big free-for-all pace that is given, and Keating will name one or the other whenever the purse is advertised.

A HANDSOME and very speedy road team, owned and driven by a well known citizen of San Francisco, are for sale as the owner is about to depart for Europe on an extended visit. This team are standard bred, one of them registered and the other can be and is very fast. The gelding has trotted a half with a little work in 1:07, and the mare is as fast. For sale at a reasonable price. Apply at this office.

A CORRESPONDENT of Trotter and Pacer hits the nail on the head as follows: "They fuss about bad starters, incompetent judges, and all sorts of things, but nobody ever says a word about bad drivers. It wouldn't be a bad idea to have a lot of fellows who are at present posing as great reformers and sending their linen in an effort to do away with hobbles, just remain at home for two or three seasons, and learn how to drive before they appear upon the track."

DURING the past week the organization of the Gentlemen's Driving Club of Detroit was perfected, and certificates of membership issued to eighty well known business men in this city who love a good horse and are never happier than when holding the ribbons over one that can pull a wagon along better than a 2:30 clip.—Detroit Free Press.

JAMES FARIS JR., writes us from Sacramento as follows: "I wish to claim the name of Saint Patrick Knight for my chestnut colt dropped March 17th. He was sired by Knight Planet, dam Fire Fly, by James Monroe, second dam Black Susie, by Williamson's Belmont. I have entered him, with three others by the same horse, in the Hartford Futurity, to be trotted in 1902.

ANENT the much agitated question as to what to do with the foretop, Mr. L. V. Willetts of this State says: "I would never clip the foretop nor confine it under the brow-hand. Left loose and flowing it looks better to my eye and does not overheat the forehead and consequently is more comfortable to the horse. I have to teach this to every new man I employ."

A TELEGRAM from Cincinnati states: "A plan has been evolved of converting the Oakley race track into a driving park, and Gordon Durrell has the matter in hand. It is asserted that about 100 of the necessary 200 subscribers have been secured to put up the money to lease the grounds and keep them up for a first class gentlemen's driving club. The subscribers are taxed \$25 each for membership.

THE McMurray sulky has stood the test for years, and has enjoyed a continuous increase in favoritism with trainers and race drivers, and by many is regarded as one of the very best track vehicles made. The "No. 20, 1899 McMurray," looks to be about as perfect a sulky as can be made, and it has the additional virtue of being low priced. Prospective sulky buyers should write the McMurray Sulky Company, Marion, O., for descriptive circulars and prices.

THE Fall River Tidings says: "There are quite a number of sick horses in this vicinity suffering from an affection of the throat, which G. W. Levins, veterinary surgeon, pronounced diphtheria. George Rose lost one of his best team horses with it this week, and has another one very sick. In fact his entire team is so badly affected as to be unfit to use. We are told this morning that F. Z. Palmer lost six head of horses from this same disease last fall."

THE Golden Gate Park Driving Association met last Monday and decided to give an afternoon of matinee racing at the Alameda track on Tuesday afternoon, May 30th, Decoration day. Entries to these races will close next Tuesday evening at 1200 Market street, at a meeting of the Association held for that purpose and to transact such other business as may properly come before it. The Alameda track is now in excellent condition and some hotly contested races are sure to result.

UP in Humboldt county, where many good horses are raised annually, and the average for quality is as high as in any county in the State, there is at present a greater demand than supply of all kinds. The Arcata Union of last week says that more attention is being paid to breeding this year than for some time past, and there is even a demand for colts. Dan McGowan, of Arcata, purchased from C. R. Smith, of the same place, recently a colt by Waldstein, out of the mare Junebug, paying \$75 for him when two weeks old.

JOSEPH E. HUBINGER, the owner of John Nolan, 2:08; Rilla, 2:10, and other crack trotters, writes that Willis O. Foote will train and drive his horses again this year. Foote was reported to be in poor health early in the spring and Hubinger has since then received a flood of letters and telegrams from trainers and drivers in all parts of the country who would like to ride behind John Nolan this year. The Texas reinsman is now able to give his personal attention to the horses, and says he has no need of a new trainer.

OUR Hawaiian correspondent writes that on Saturday, April 22d, a match race came off between James Quinn's mare Violin, by Alexander Button, and William Norton's roan mare Directress, by Director. The latter was driven by Mr. Gibson, while Mr. Quinn drove his own mare. Directress won in two straight heats. The time of the first heat was 2:24. No time was taken in the second heat on account of Mr. Quinn not hearing the word and pulling up thinking it was no go. The match was \$200 a side. There is some talk of renewing the match.

SECRETARY TOMAN, of Empire City Park, is busily perfecting the advertising arrangements for the great inaugural meeting on the new track September 4th to 9th. The meeting will be advertised as no other, running or trotting, ever has been in this country. The special 24 sheet lithograph stand is the finest thing of its kind ever issued. It will not be posted until about two weeks prior to the meeting, but the billboards have already been contracted for, covering every town and city within 100 miles from New York, the expense of posting alone being over \$1500. All this extensive and elaborate advertising, coupled with the natural interest which has already been aroused in the new track, is bound to bring out, with good weather, the largest crowds ever seen on any race track in America.

If it were possible to add emphasis to the lesson so often repeated as to the wants of the market to-day it would be simply to urge the increase of breeding along the line of the road horse. Here is a field, always open and inviting where prices will increase rather than diminish and demand strengthen as days go by. At the same time the man who breeds must be keenly alive to the fact that size, substance and quality all through are prime requisites.

By referring to our advertising columns a notice of a pacing mare for sale will be seen. She is owned by Mr. Jos. Stephens, of Etna, Siskiyou county, and should be a good mare to make money with this year. Her record is 2:14½ and she is capable of miles in 2:10. This record was made in her four-year-old form. Last year she was not worked at all. She is now six years old, as sound as a dollar and in good condition to begin working for the races.

THE Pennsylvania pacing horse Democracy, 2:10½, by Happy Partner, is credited with having won a total of seventy-one heats in standard time. As he has been campaigned only two years he has won a greater number of heats in so short a period than any horse ever campaigned. Last season alone Democracy started in sixteen races and he won twelve times, was second twice, third once and unplaced once, having been distanced after winning a heat. He won ten races on half-mile tracks, and what is the most surprising feature of his career is the fact that in these ten races on half mile tracks he won twenty-six heats in 2:15 or better. His record of 2:10½ on the Albany mile track he equaled on a half-mile ring, and he put in nine heats below 2:12.—American Stock Farm.

C. J. HAMLIN, the well known horse breeder said recently: "I have been breeding and campaigning horses long enough to learn that it is dangerous to make predictions about the future of any trotter, but I would not be surprised to see The Abbot lower all records this year. It is a long way from 2:08 down to 2:03½, of course, but The Abbot is a wonderfully fast horse, much faster than his record indicates. Dore Devil has speed enough to beat the champion stallion record of Directum, 2:05½, and now that he is of mature age, I expect him to score a wonderful record. He will probably represent Village Farm in the \$5000 stallion race in New York next September. Lady of the Manor could pace a part of a mile about as fast as Star Pointer could last season, and it was her first year on the turf. She ought to get down close to the 2:00 mark in 1899"

THE old, old claim that the mile which Maud S. trotted in 2:09½ at Lexington, Ky., November 11th, 1894, is the best performance ever made by a trotter, was made for the 'tenth time in the Turf, Field and Farm last week, but it will be allowed by but few horsemen. True, the daughter of Harold pulled a high-wheel sulky when she trotted that mile, but was that enough of handicap to make her performance greater than that of Bingen when, in a big field of horses, he trotted a mile in 2:06½ at Louisville last fall? Maud S. had a specially prepared track and went with a pacemaker. Bingen was in a field of horses, all anxious to secure any advantage possible, and was scored several times before being sent away. That his mile in 2:06½ was a greater performance than the mile in 2:09½ by Maud S. will be conceded by most horsemen.—Raymond in Horse World.

JAMES FARIS, JR., left Sacramento, last Saturday, for Cleveland with twelve head of horses consigned to the Fasig-Tipton sale. The consignment consisted of Georgie K. Biggs, by James Madison, dam Lathrop Mare, by Stockton McClellan; Vola Princess, by Dexter Prince, dam by Antevolo; Anita Richmond, by Nephwood, dam by A. W. Richmond; Robin McGregor, by Robin, dam by Bonnie Alfa, by Bonnie McGregor; Margie F., by Director Jr., dam Dottie B., by Ech; Yolo Princess, by Dexter Prince, dam by Priam; Sid Durfee, by Durfee, dam Italia, by Sidney; Psyche II, by Cupid, dam by Dexter Prince; Annabel Wilkes, by Easter Wilkes, dam Dottie B., by Ech; Estelle Wilkes, by Easter Wilkes, dam Peredita, by Alcantara Jr., and his stallion Starboul, son of Starboul and sire of Nellie Bly, 2:20. Mr. Faris also took a double team, one by Don Marvin, the other by a son of Guy Wilkes. They are blood bay in color, mate up well and can go together in three minutes. He expected to reach Cleveland Thursday.

MR. JAMES BUTLER, owner of East View Stock Farm, East View, N. Y., is making many improvements at his establishment. Since Mr. Butler purchased the property, he has repaired and put an addition to the old house on the farm, built a track and stables for his trotters, erected substantial stone walls on the farm, laid out beautiful roads and otherwise added to the beauty of his place. Mr. Butler has now in course of erection a mansion modeled after the style of a French chateau. It will be of brick, stone and terra cotta, with wood trimmings. Broad verandas will surround the first and second floors, and a large bay window on the second floor will afford a splendid view of the track. He is also erecting coach houses for his coach horses, a number of smaller buildings, and laying out new roads and lawns. John Kelly, of Directum Kelly fame, is busy morning and night preparing Directum Kelly, Gayton and a large number of untried but promising youngsters for the opening campaign of 1899. Mr. Butler has recently bought of John Brown, East View, N. Y., the bay pacing mare Genevieve, 2:13½, by Startle, dam by Bacon's Ethel Allen.

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