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Dates Claimed.

PORTLAND.....	June 30 to July 7
ANACONDA (Mont.).....	July 12 to 23
BUTTE (Mont.).....	August 1 to 23
HELENA (Mont.).....	August 25 to September 1

Entries Close.

P. C. T. H. B. A.....	March 1
NAPA.....	March 1

Stallions Advertised.

TROTTERS.

BOODLE.....	C. F. Taylor, Salinas
CHALLENGER CHIEF.....	Lee Shaner, Sacramento
CHAS. DERBY.....	Oakwood Park Stock Farm, Danville
DON MARVIN.....	F. P. Lowell, Sacramento
DIA BLO.....	Wm. Murray, Pleasanton
DICTATUS.....	Clarence Day, Belmont, San Mateo Co
DIRECTUM.....	John Green, Dublin, Alameda Co
ELOS.....	Eden Vale, Santa Clara Co
ELECTION.....	Eden Vale, Santa Clara Co
ELECTIC.....	Wilfred Page, Penn's Grove, Sonoma Co
GLYCESCA.....	Myers & Myers, Pleasanton
GOSSIPER.....	Chas. A. Durfee, Pleasanton
GRANDISSIMO.....	F. W. Loeber, St. Helena
GUY WILKES.....	William Corbitt, San Mateo
HOLDFAST.....	Wilfred Page, Penn's Grove, Sonoma Co
HAMBLETONIAN WILKES.....	R. I. Moorhead & Son, Santa Clara
McKINNEY.....	Chas. A. Durfee, Pleasanton
MEMO.....	Dr. T. W. Harris, Eugene, Oregon
PRINCE RED.....	Oakwood Park Stock Farm, Danville
PANJABI.....	Paulin & Co., San Mateo
REVERISCO.....	Paulin & Co., San Mateo
RED BUTTLE.....	Myers & Myers, Pleasanton
SIAM B.....	Myers & Myers, Pleasanton
SABLE WILKES.....	William Corbitt, San Mateo
STEINWAY.....	Oakwood Park Stock Farm, Danville
VASTO.....	R. D. Crawford, Sonoma
WILD BOY.....	Eden Vale, Santa Clara Co
WALDSTEIN.....	H. S. Hogoboom, Woodland
WIL DIRECT.....	William Corbitt, San Mateo

THOROUGHBREDS.

MP. GREENBACK.....	Manager Guenoc Stock Farm, San Jose
IMP. OLIVEDEN.....	Santa Anita Stock Farm, Los Angeles
FELLOW FARM.....	Ab Stenzler, Sacramento
LOYALIST.....	Orville Appleby, San Jose
MONDAY FINAL.....	H. C. Judson, Santa Clara
OWAS.....	Manager Guenoc Stock Farm, San Jose
ST. SAVIOUR.....	Manager Guenoc Stock Farm, San Jose
SURINAM.....	Manager Hope Glen Farm, Santa Barbara
WILD ROSE.....	Orville Appleby, San Jose
WILDIPLE.....	H. C. Judson, Santa Clara

P. C. T. H. B. A. Entries.

The nomination purses for 2:17 class pacing and the free-for-all pacing purse, and the two-year-old for 2:40 pacing class, advertised for the Pacific Coast Trotting Horse Breeders Association were the only ones declared off for lack of the requisite number of entries. The additional races advertised, for which entries will close March 1st, are as follows: Four-year-old, 2:25 class, pacing, purse \$500; nomination purse, pacing, 2:16 class, purse \$1,000; nomination purse, pacing, 2:12 class, purse \$1,000 and the nomination purse, pacing, free-for-all, purse \$1,000. The conditions of which are the same as those advertised in the programme as published in this journal previous to February 1st. The directors will arrange each day's racing so that horses entered for these pacing, and in fact, all trotting races, will not be compelled to appear on consecutive days, i. e., sufficient time will be given to allow horses an opportunity of resting at least a day before they appear again.

Again calling attention to the owners of pacers to these races that are added to the programme, and the fact that entries will close March 1st, we desire to see every event filled to overflowing with the names of the best horses in California.

Assuming the Risks.

There are risks in every business, and in the breeding and developing of trotters and pacers there are greater risks than a large number of breeders who engaged in it had any idea of when they commenced. The exorbitant prices paid for famous trotters like Dexter, Goldsmith Maid, Rarus, Arion and Anteeo, shone with such refulgency that everything that could trot seemed to reflect their brightness, and owners thought that the association or bloodlines which connected their trotters and pacers to these famous ones, made their value increase. This idea was a good one when there were only a few to come within the pale of the brightness of these stars. Their owners saw no risk in asserting the claims of their colts or fillies, and if they could have disposed of these youngsters at the prices they valued them, there would be fifty men in the business where there are only five at present. But, as the song says, "there are others" who engaged in the business and took the same view of the situation. Of course, no two of them started exactly on the same basis, for every breeder has his own idea of how trotters should be bred, trained and developed. A large majority thought that by getting every animal in their possession registered as "standard," there would be no trouble in holding satisfactory sales every year. People would be crowding each other around the salesrings to purchase, and as the risks attendant upon training and developing their trotters were obviated, a splendid yearly income was assured.

Other breeders liked to established a "type of horses that would sell," and believed that by getting for their premier stallion a large-boned, lofty-headed horse, whose principal points to attract attention as a sire were his beautiful heavy maue and flowing tail, he would be running no risk in breeding this "heavy" to small-boned, quick, trappy-gaited trotting mares. He would show the world that he could hold sales every year of trotting stock that had style, color, action and gait; speed was an undeveloped quality he would leave all buyers to discover. He could state, however, in his catalogues of sale that "Bred as he is, he ought to be fast." He would take no risk in making such a statement.

Another breeder has made a study of pedigrees and purchased animals, irrespective of conformation or gait, being confident from the knowledge he gleaned from the books that he was taking no risks in breeding but was on a fair road to fortune. His motto was: "If the record breakers were bred in certain lines I will, by my acquired knowledge, continue in presenting new candidates for that inner circle."

Besides these "visionary breeders" there were many others who had "fads" which they followed with zeal and determination, and were it not for the proviso Dame Nature always adds to every attempt to force her from the beaten path: "'Tis the unexpected that always happens" the hundreds of "faddists" would have all been rich years ago.

The uncertainty of the business of breeding fast trotters is the factor that keeps men interested in it. The risks taken add zest to their endeavors and the failures make their successes more appreciated. The rapid strides made in it during the few years previous to 1893 were accelerated by the wonderful work done in that year. The introduction of the "bike," the casting away of all hobbles, the demand for frictionless-gaited horses and the rejection of those that could not trot or pace better than 2:30, have set our breeders to thinking, and a large majority of them who believed in conducting their stock farms exclusively for the raising of colts and fillies to sell in the Eastern markets, have been brought to realize that if they want to get paying prices for their stock, they must assume some risks, and the safest ones are the weeding out of all culls and the training and developing of their colts and fillies. If they can bring a number of youngsters without records to the salesring and show to the people assembled that the little things can trot in 2:25 easily, they will have no trouble in getting the prices they expect. Besides being endowed with form and speed colts must be bred right and entered in all the big stakes. Buyers are to be found everywhere for such material, and when the bargain is made they are willing to assume all risks.

The breeder who is anchored by a fad around his neck and is afraid to risk shaking it off will, before many years, be out of the business. The progressive breeder who keeps pace with the times will take this man's broodmares, select the best, breed judiciously, train assiduously, and in a few years retire wealthy, for he was not afraid to take a little risk.

An Opportunity For Thoroughbred Owners.

Here on the western shore of America, at the gateway through which the commerce of the Eastern and Southern Hemispheres enter, there has always been great interest aroused whenever horses were landed. Australia's merits as a home for thoroughbreds and a supply depot for the whole world are now recognized everywhere, and the few horses and broodmares that have been brought here to be placed on our largest stock farms have demonstrated their superior worth when mated with our American-bred stock. The fame of Sir Modred, Cheviot and Darebin increases, and in the scramble among breeders to get some of the blood of these sires, very high prices have been paid and all of these purchasers realize that they got bargains. No money could purchase one of these sires, while their progeny sells at higher prices every year. At Rancho del Paso, where Sir Modred holds forth, dividing the honors with Salvatore as a sire, the choicest mares in the harem are sent him, for Superintendent Mackey knows by experience that the produce will be stake winners, and seekers after stake winners are not backward in paying high prices for those which they know are far and away above the average of all others sired by the other stallions which were deemed unapproachable before Sir Modred came.

Charles Reed, of Fairview Stock Farm, owns Cheviot, and while the horse was only bred to an ordinary class of mares on this coast, before leaving for his present home, he proved his worth as a sire through the performances of his progeny. No money can purchase him, and with the class of mares he will hereafter be mated with, no other endorsement of his merits as a sire will be requisite when the produce appear on the turf.

Of Darebin, it is needless to say that whenever mated properly he sired stake-winners of a high order. Ranking him with Sir Modred and Cheviot, however, as a prepotent sire would hardly be fair, for with the latter two stallions ALL mares nicked well, while with him only certain formed and bred matrons suited.

To further demonstrate what we have said, Mariner, with very limited opportunities, sired Topgallant, Martinet and Seaside. While the other Australian sires are, through their progeny, demonstrating that they will achieve not only fame, but increase the wealth of their owners. Of the broodmares that have been brought here, Paloma (dam of Armitage), Beauty (dam of Dr. Ross), Zara (dam of Huguenot and Chartreuse) are too well known to need further mention.

At the Bay District track, on the 26th of this month, an opportunity will be afforded breeders for securing a full brother to Sir Modred and Cheviot, the two greatest sires that ever landed in America, and that stallion is the magnificent horse Idalium. As a sire in Australia, his opportunities in the stud were limited, he being bred to a number of half-bred mares, his owner refusing to take public ones; yet he got a number of winners. He was never bred to a first-class mare while there. Since landing here he was bred to a few, and the progeny are considered equal to anything ever sired by either Sir Modred or Cheviot, or in fact any sire in California. One of them, owned by W. O'B. Macdonough, cannot be purchased for any price.

Besides Idalium, there are several young and fashionably-bred stallions and mares, fitting representatives of the greatest race-winning families in the Antipodes, while individually, they have been pronounced by competent judges to be unapproachable by any similar number ever seen at the track.

Horses to Suit All.

THE collection of horses, mares, colts and fillies bred at the To Kalon Stock Farm, which are to be sold at public auction next Wednesday, embraces some very choice trotters and paces. Having the great requisites for a perfect horse, viz., color, size, style, conformation, disposition, gait, gameness and hereditary soundness, constantly in view, Mr. Crabb, the owner of this stock, was a liberal buyer and a judicious breeder. Nothing was too good for him or too high-priced, provided it filled the requirements he was constantly seeking, and in the withdrawal of this gentleman from the business, the trotting-horse interests of this State will lose one of its staunchest supporters. That the representatives of the farm will excite the admiration of all who attend the sale is admitted by those who have visited the paddocks and the race track on the farm, and observed the way they were cared for and the ease with which they moved. People who are in need of fine roadsters, stylish, well-matched teams, campaigners, and fine broodmares cannot afford to miss this sale.

Besides those from the To Kalon Farm, there are some very choice individuals also to be sold, among them being Silas Skinner, 2:17, and Blonde Wilkes, 2:22½, and a number of splendidly bred mares, colts and fillies, many of them worthy of being placed on the track at once. There are several very well-matched teams, one of them in particular is not surpassed for beauty, style, gait, disposition and training by any other in California. The attendance at this sale should be large. See advertisement for a synopsis of the animals to be sold.

Heavy Drivers to be Protected.

The Horseman, in its last issue, has the following:

"A resolution will be offered at the coming congress to abolish the rule requiring drivers to scale a hundred and fifty pounds before and after each heat. When high-wheeled sulkeys were in use a very light driver was undoubtedly an aid to a horse's speed, and, per contra, a very heavy one a detriment. With the bicycle sulky, however, twenty or thirty pounds either way makes to the horse hardly an appreciable difference in the load he is called upon to draw. The pneumatic tires and ball bearings have accomplished all the purposes of the rule. There is, therefore, much to be said in favor of discontinuing the operation of this turf law, which entails a lot of trouble and sometimes complication. At the conclusion of a heat the public, always on the tenterhooks of expectation, is compelled to wait till drivers weigh in, whereas, without the formality, the news from the stand might be immediately announced. Again, it is the opinion of most experienced drivers that weight does not impede harness horses as it does those which race under saddle; in fact, it takes a man of ordinary weight to properly steady and control the average trotter or pacer. A very light driver is consequently no advantage in the sulky of the present day. An embargo was never laid upon drivers as to the weight of their sulkeys. It is little short of ridiculous to fix a minimum weight for the driver and allow him to ride in a vehicle whatever number of pounds best suits his fancy. From the Association's point of view the abolition of this rule would be a welcome innovation, for the reason that its enforcement takes up much valuable time without accomplishing anything of commensurate advantage. Owners, drivers and track managers are all in favor of its deletion from the turf code. The adoption of the resolution tending to this end would be in the line of progress and in the interests of all concerned in harness racing. Trotting races under saddle may again become the fashion. As the weight carried is an important factor in such cases, the section relating to saddle performances should be allowed to stand."

If such a resolution passes the grand army of heavy-weight drivers in California will "be exceeding glad and clap their hands with joy!" It is mortifying to have the presiding judge announce in stentorian tones so that everyone within a quarter of a mile of the wire can hear the words: "Driver — is sixty-five pounds over weight." As large men are naturally bashful, the heralding of their misfortunes, which they cannot help, makes them wish they could be reduced as small as the little fellows who have to carry a cushion to the weighing scales stuffed with sheet lead.

Napa to the Front.

By reference to our advertising columns it will be seen that the Napa Agricultural Association is the first in the field with its programme. It is designed after the model set by the P. C. T. H. B. A., and its liberal features will no doubt insure a large list of entries. Every owner of a trotter and pacer who intends to go on the California circuit should make entries at once for they will close March 1st. Many who failed to make entries for the fall meeting of the P. C. T. H. B. A. will have an opportunity of bringing their horses to Napa by sending in the names and filling out the blanks for the Napa races.

The Montana State Fair.

The directors of the Montana State Fair, at a recent meeting, finally decided upon holding their annual State Fair at the usual time, in August. Efforts will be made by the directory to have the fair a success in every particular. It has been hard, in some of the previous years, to get exhibitors to do all they could, or perhaps ought to do, so an extra effort will be made to get them out this year and have a fine showing on the occasion of the twenty-fifth annual exhibition of the Association.

The circuit race meeting will begin at Anaconda, July 12, and run fifteen days, until the 25th. Butte will commence August 1st, and continue twenty days, ending August 2nd. Helena will open August 25th, and run to September 1st, and will have a three days' race meeting, beginning July 4th. The programme will be arranged shortly, and the meeting will be equal to those of previous years. The directors of the State Fair regret very much that they allowed the annual meeting to go by last year, and they will try this year to atone for it.

Besides the Montana horses that are sure to be here, a larger attendance than in any previous year is promised by California and Oregon horsemen.

It has been suggested that the fair directors add a dog show to the other attractions this year. The last one, about four years ago, proved one of the most popular features of the fair.—Independent.

BOODLE, 2:19½, arrived at Salinas last Monday and his agent, C. L. Taylor, is more than pleased to see the interest taken in the horse by all who have seen him. Boodle is royally-bred and a race horse and there is no reason why he should not be a great sire. His colts and fillies around San Jose are pronounced by competent judges to be simply perfect in form, gait, speed, disposition and color.

Dexter Prince Back at His Old Home at Palo Alto.

On Sunday last this now celebrated sire arrived at Palo Alto, his services having been leased for the season of 1894. Dexter Prince was purchased from Mr. Chas. Backman, Stony Ford, Orange County, N. Y., in 1880, by the late Senator Stanford, and in the same year was shipped to Palo Alto, along with several Kentucky Prince fillies. In his younger days Kentucky Prince was known as "The Governor" and while not attractive in appearance was possessed with a remarkable turn of speed that caused all to look on him with amazement. It is a well established fact that he showed a quarter when scarcely two years old in 31½ seconds and an eighth in 14½ seconds, a 1:56 gait, to a skeleton wagon, a remarkable performance for a colt having had but little work and six months younger than the two-year-old trotter of August, 1881. He remained at Palo Alto until January 30th, 1885, was then sold to Mr. L. M. Morse, Lodi, Cal., later on passing into the possession of Dan McCarty. While at Palo Alto he produced Del Paso, 2:24½, now owned by Miller & Sibley, Meadville, Penn., and is highly thought of as a stock horse. Dexter Prince is a bay stallion, star, white off hind foot, foaled 1879, by Kentucky Prince, son of Clark Chief, first dam Lady Dexter, by Hambletonian 10; second dam Clara, dam of Dexter, Dictator and Alma, by American Star 14; third dam McKinstry mare, untraced. Dexter Prince, for the opportunities he has had in the stud, has proven himself a great sire. It did not fall to his lot to have a fine selection of mares sent to his harem, but by overwhelming power as a producer of speed from all sources, he has forced recognition and will now be given an opportunity to further prove his greatness as a sire of speed by being coupled with forty of the great Electioneer mares at Palo Alto.

Dexter Prince has now twenty-eight in the list of 2:30 performers, twelve of them in the 2:20 list. Many of his performers are from mares whose breeding is untraced. The average speed of his performers is 2:21, which for the number, twenty-eight, is a remarkable showing.

The breeding of Dexter Prince warrants the fine showing he has made in the past and with the fine opportunities now offered him he should take rank with the great producers of speed.

His sire, Kentucky Prince (sire of Guy, 2:09¾, and twenty-seven trotters in the list), by Clark Chief, son of the great Mambrino Chief, dam Kentucky Queen by Morgan Eagle, son of Green Mountain Morgan, then to the thoroughbred, gives to Dexter Prince not only extreme speed inheritance through his sire, but that great producing broodmare strain of Mambrino Chief also. The dam of Dexter Prince, Lady Dexter, is also the dam of Prince George, sire of the great yearling Prince Clara, race record 2:26½, and full sister to Dexter, 2:17½, and Dictator, sire of Jay Eye See, 2:10, Director, 2:17, sire of Directum, 2:05½, and Nancy Lee, dam of Nancy Hanks, 2:04.

Mambrino Chief, Hambletonian and American Star, is a hard combination to beat, especially when these bloodlines are found in a horse that has speed and proved himself a producer of speed.

The following Electioneer mares will be bred to Dexter Prince this season:

Manzanita, 2:16; Ladywell, 2:16; Coral, 2:18½; Hinda Rose, 2:19½; Wildflower, 2:21; Helena, 2:21; Maiden, 2:23; Gertrude Russell, 2:23½; Peko, 2:24; Carrie C., 2:24; Aldeana, 2:25; Colma, 2:25½; Memento, 2:25½; Athena, 2:25½; Sweet Rose, 2:25¾; Lucyneer, 2:27; Emaline, 2:27½; Idle May, 2:27½; Slight, 2:28; Sonoma, 2:28; Tiny, 2:28½; Emma R., 2:28½; Laura C., 2:29½; Sunset, 2:29½; Miss Naude, 2:29½; Ella, 2:29; Wildmay, 2:30; Amanda, sister to Advance, 2:22½; Extra, sister to Express, 2:21; and Elwina, 2:27; Floweret (sister to Wildflower, 2:21, Manzanita, 2:16), dam of Fresa (2), 2:31; Flower Girl, dam of Newflower (3), 2:25½; Lady Agnes, sister to Ladywell, 2:16; Lilly Thorn, dam Lady Thorn, dam of Santa Claus; Madeline, sister to Azmoor, 2:20½; Odette, dam of The Seer, 2:19½; Morning Glory, dam Marti, dam of Mortemer, 2:27; Jessie M., sister to Idle May, 2:27½; and Wild Boy, 2:30; Violet, dam Victress, by Belmont, (Williamson's).

RIO ALTO.

Santa Clara Agricultural Society.

The Santa Clara Valley Agricultural Society met yesterday afternoon at the office of Paul P. Austin, there being present President William Buckley and Directors William Boots, William Quinn, T. W. Hobson, J. W. Rea and R. D. Fox.

After the readings of the minutes President Buckley asked that action be taken upon his resignation, presented at the meeting in January.

The resignation was thereupon accepted and William Quinn was chosen temporary chairman.

Mr. Buckley asked to be relieved from responsibility upon society notes signed by him. The matter of investigating the feasibility of such procedure was referred to a committee consisting of Directors Hobson, Rea and Fox.

Mr. Rhea nominated Colonel Philo Hersey for President, eulogizing him as a gentleman of great executive ability, a typical horticulturist and one possessing the confidence and esteem of the community. The nomination was seconded by T. W. Hobson, who indorsed everything Mr. Rea had said, and Colonel Hersey was elected by acclamation.

Directors Rea and Hobson were appointed a committee to inform Colonel Hersey of his election and to request his attendance at the next meeting.

The matter of renewing insurance about to expire was referred to the Committee on Grounds with power to act.

C. F. Bunch was elected Superintendent of Grounds and Track, with the understanding that he will employ the necessary help.

It was ordered that the price of stall rent be reduced from \$1.75 to \$1.25 a month, the reduction to date from February 1st; also that those members who have erected or are occupying stalls under yearly contract have the benefit of proportionate reduction.

The Secretary was instructed to prepare a form of agreement to be entered into by applicants for life membership, said agreements to provide for the payment of \$100, in four equal payments, the last to be on or before September 15, 1894, the signing of such agreements to confer no membership privileges until the full payment has been made.

A. A. Brown, J. B. Carey and F. Linne, a committee representing the Ancient Order of Foresters, appeared before the Board stating that they desired to secure Agricultural Park for a celebration on July 4th.

It was ordered that they be given the use of the park on the same terms as last year; in addition to the rental, the order to place \$3000 extra insurance upon the buildings, under the direction of the Committee on Grounds.

The proposition of N. J. Sweeney to pay off the suspension of the pacing stallion Dave Benton at the rate of 50 cents on the dollar was placed on file.

The following horses were upon the application of their owners added to the list of stallions, viz: T. W. Barstow's Ante Ross Nutwood and Cyrus R.; George B. McAneny's Messenger Almont; William Vioget's Wild Boy; C. W. Green's Director H.; Martin Taate's Cap Alto.

The secretary was instructed to notify the P. C. T. H. B. Association that this society is in hearty accord with it in the matter of the proposed organization of a Pacific Coast Trotting Association, but that the San Jose meeting is held too late to make it worth while to express a preference regarding the date for a convention.

Adjourned to meet at the call of the President.—San Jose Mercury.

The Los Gatos Races.

EDITOR BREEDER AND SPORTSMAN:—Los Gatos and the surrounding country are very much excited over the coming race meet, which takes place February 22nd, Washington's Birthday.

All the races with one exception are made up of local horses and the glory to be derived from winning one of these events, is second only to such renown as is occasioned by winning a classical event. Some of the members take such interest in the events that they go to a great deal of expense in order to have their horses in proper condition; the purses hung up, are not sufficient to more than pay expenses, but then we have the fun and the glory.

The quarter mile and repeat is expected to attract a good-sized field, and any number of people who have never before visited Los Gatos on a race day. This race closes February 20th, and I believe enough entries have already been received to warrant the race being a certainty.

The following is the programme:

First race—Running, half-mile dash; local horses.

Sach's & Austin's cb g Happy Jack.

W. B. Rankin's ch g Red Rock.

Frank Jeres' b m Nellie.

Second race, pacing, mile heats, 2 in 3.

F. Burkholder's b g Wait-a-Little.

W. B. Rankin's b g Monte.

Third race, trotting, mile heats, 2 in 3.

R. C. Johnson's br m Mystery.

L. R. Todd's b g Mack.

Gish Bros.' blk h Star of the West.

Fourth race—Trotting and pacing, mile heats, 2 in 3.

C. F. Bunch's br m Betsy R. (pacer).

H. R. Finley's b g Rowdy.

J. Pichon's br m Alma Mordu.

Fifth race—Running, quarter mile and repeat, free for all, a sweepstakes of \$5 each, with \$20 added by association. Catch weights.

Entries for this race close February 20, 1894.

LA GATA.

Australian Notes.

CLINKER (by Splendor from Claribel) carried 116 pounds and won Tramway Handicap, six furlongs.

AFFIANCE, by Clieveden (sire of Crighton, to be sold on the 26th), with 113 pounds up won a mile in 1:42½.

NOBLEMAN, two years, by Australian Peer (son of Darebin), with 109 pounds up, won Juvenile Stakes in a field of fifteen starters, five furlongs, in 1:02.

MIKADO II, by Apremont (sire of Repose) won the Handicap scepchase in Melbourne, two miles, carrying the thundering impost of 190 pounds in 4:14.

SPLENDOR (sire of Candid) is represented by Jeweller, four years, who won the A. J. C Summer Cup, one and one-half miles, with 131 pounds, up in 2:37½, twenty-one starters.

REGINA, two years, by Forest King, from Ghinni Ghinni (dam of Crighton), beat a field of the fastest two-year-olds in Australia easily by five lengths, carrying 117 pounds in 1:04, and is considered the best two-year-old in Australia.

At the Sydney Tattersall's Club meeting, the following winners by Grandmaster to be sold on 26th are recorded: Bettina, by Grandmaster, ran second for a hurdle race carrying 145 pounds and afterwards won a hurdle race with 133 pounds up. Grandwing by Grandmaster won steeplechase carrying 165 pounds, two and a half miles.

It is evident that Australian-bred thoroughbreds are fast beating the English horses out of the market. India used to be supplied from England and now draws her supplies from Australia. The same may be said of the Cape of Good Hope, and by last mail we see sixteen racehorses sent from Australia to Mauritius, another shipment to Singapore, while Java has also secured a lot. Australian horses have been winning all before them in these places, hence the demand.

By the last files from Australia we get the following at the V. R. C. meeting: Goldreef by Goldshrough (sire of Meriwa, to be sold on 26th), from Chrysophrase, won the hurdle race, value \$1,500, with 153 pounds up, two miles in 3:50. Ophir by Goldshrough, from Sea Swallow, won Welter handicap, seven furlongs with 143 pounds up, in 1:30, and also the Pace Welter with 138 pounds up, six furlongs in 1:17¾. Goldmith, by Goldshrough from Lady Bathurst, ran second in Juvenile stakes, Melbourne. Goodwood, by Goldshrough, Dolly Varden, won Brighton Plate in Tasmania.

By a dispatch from New York dated February 15, we see that Dr. W. G. Ross, who brought Ormonde back from Buenos Ayres and brought suit against W. O'B. McDonough for an alleged violation of contract as the outcome of the trip will soon become manager at Tattersalls in that city in place of William Easton.