

TURF AND TRACK

THE SULKY.

REMEMBER the meeting on the fifth of March.

It is said Pattie D., 2:12½, was bought by Walter S. Hohart.

A PEDIGREE will no longer sell a horse unless attached to a good individual.

THE Oakland race track is now ready for the trainers to work their horses on.

CHAS. KERR shipped five head of stock to his farm at Bakersfield on Thursday.

FIVE hundred and twenty-three descendants of Miss Russell have records of 2:30 or better.

MRS. M. S. SEVERANCE, of Los Angeles, will breed some mares to Direct, and one to Diablo this year.

P. MCCARTNEY of Salinas will have a string of horses on the circuit this year, including Bay Rum, 2:19½.

THERE is some talk of giving a purse for a five-mile trotting race at Belmont Park, Philadelphia, this season.

H. L. ASHER, Lexington, Ky., has purchased from A. A. Guerne, the latter's half interest in Alfred G., 2:19½.

IN the building of the new railroad hundreds of horses will be used and labor for many of our unemployed be found.

THOS. KEATING will have his string of fourteen trotters and pacers at the San Jose race track on the first of March.

MONROE SALISBURY arrived from the East last Wednesday, and says: "There's no place to winter in as good as California."

THE report that Wm. Corbitt, of the San Mateo Stock Farm, is going to sell all of his horses and quit the business is not true.

DR. POSEY, the well-known aurist, has moved to Riverside, Riverside county, taking with him all of his finely-bred trotters and pacers.

F. W. LOEBER, of St. Helena, has purchased H. W. Crabb's interest in Grandissimo, 2:23½, and is now sole owner of this grand young sire.

FREIGHT on a single stallion to Bakersfield is \$40.80; rate for a car only \$36. What will the rate be when the new railroad is built?

A HORSE to stand easily and naturally on his feet should have the center of his shin perpendicular with the center of his foot on taking a front view of his leg.

THE track at Pleasanton is the center of attraction for all visitors to that town since Alix, Directly, Miss Kate and the rest of the fast ones have been domiciled there.

CLARENCE HILL will start a public training stable at the Napa race track next Friday, March 1st. Mr. Hill is a very careful and competent young man, and is sure to succeed.

THE Mokelumne Stock Farm, where the handsome trotting stallion Silver Bow, 2:16, is domiciled, is said to be the prettiest and best-appointed stock farm of its size in California.

J. C. NEWTON, of Los Angeles, has had his fine Director-Belle Echo, 2:20 colt, shipped to him from Pleasanton. He will stand him for the season in the land of oranges, fruit and flowers.

THERE are six horses at the Pleasanton track with records better than 2:10. They are as follows: Alix, 2:03½; Flying Jib, 2:04; Direct, 2:05½; Directly, 2:07½; Azote, 2:08½ and Diablo, 2:09½.

THE new speed track at Alameda is making the horse-lovers in that prosperous town look around for first-class roadsters. Many a good race will be seen over its smooth, elastic surface.

MILLARD F. SANDERS has discovered some remarkably speedy horses at Lodi in the lot he has picked up, and their owners will be gratified with the prices they will bring at the great sale in Cleveland.

THE San Benito Agricultural Association has opened the following stakes, to be decided next fall, nominations to which close April 1st: Trotting, yearling stake, two-year-old stake, three-year-old stake. Pacing, two-year-old stake.

WILFRED S. PAGE at one time owned Nellie s. t. b. by Ben Franklin, 2:44½, the dam of Sharon's Benton. This horse was bred by the late Milton S. Latham. Mr. Page purchased Nellie at the same time Mr. Sharou bought her son by Gen. Benton.

SEEKERS after first-class young stallions should write at once to the Santa Rosa Stock Farm. Mr. Pierce has the choicest lot, both as individuals and in breeding, ever offered for such prices in California. He wants to sell them. The first to come the first to be served.

L. C. SMITH, of Oakland, is gathering quite a collection of young trotters and pacers for this year's campaigning. It is hoped this capable driver will not have the misfortune to lose the best one in his string this season as he did in 1894, when he lost the brown gelding, Princewood.

JUDGE W. E. GREENE has a mare in foal to Direct, 2:05½, the produce of which should be valuable. She is by Sidney, 2:19½, out of a mare by Lynwood, son of Nutwood, 2:18½; second dam by Electioneer 125; third dam by Billy Cheatham, he by Cracker, by Boston; fourth dam by Argyle.

THE question of appropriations for the district fairs is the all-absorbing one among farmers and breeders at present. When they read the long list of useless commissions appointed and see the endless list of attaches drawing immense salaries for doing nothing it makes them indignant.

THAT good race horse, Cohwebs, 2:12, by Whips, that made a most successful campaign last season down the Grand Circuit line, was last week sold by A. J. Welch to Monroe Salisbury. Cohwebs will be shipped to California immediately, but will return with the Salisbury string in the spring.

H. W. CRAEB, of Oakville, has purchased of Fred W. Loeber of St. Helena, Napa County, the bay mare Topsy, 2:26½, and Alco, a very promising three-year-old pacer. James W. Berryman, the trainer, will, with Eyraud and these two, besides several other good ones, be seen on the circuit this year.

AUCTIONEER KELLOGG, in speaking of the recent sales, says: The sixty-five animals that brought from \$40 to \$95 were mainly aged brood mares that had mostly outlived their usefulness, and young geldings, yearlings and two-year-olds that will need to be kept a couple of seasons before their purchasers can do much with them.

JOHN H. SHULTS will sell the fast pacing mare Alannah, 2:11½, at Peter C. Kellogg's Springsale of trotters and pacers which is to be held at Madison Square Garden, March 18-22. Alannah is by Guy Wilkes, 2:15½, dam Molly Drew, the granddam of Freedom, 2:29½, who was the first yearling trotter to make a record of 2:30 or better.

BAD roads mean light loads, heavy draught, lame horses, racked and fast-decaying wagons, in short, heavy freight charge. Good roads mean heavy loads with light draught, sound horses, everlasting wagons and cheap freight. Bad roads mean time wasted—good roads mean time saved; bad roads lead to bankruptcy—good roads lead to prosperity.

DET BIGELOW, of Woodland, is collecting a number of good trotters and pacers for the circuit this year, among them being a two-year-old sister to Yolo Maid, 2:12, and she is more promising than her illustrious sister was at her age. Mr. Bigelow has a number of others by Alexander Button that have records or will get them before the circuit ends.

MYRON E. MCHENRY says that he has never yet touched John R. Gentry with the whip. That is the kind of training which, combined with a good, game animal, will finally make great race horses. You can't whip racing into a horse's head, nor can you get extreme speed without a good disposition, and the latter has never yet been made with a whip.

THE yearling colt Renown, by Thistle, 2:13½, dam Ristora, by Revenue, 2:22½, is the fastest thing of his age ever owned at Parkville Farm, and there was a yearling on the place last season, Thistlebud, that moved a quarter in 0:32½, a 2:09 gait. Renown got cast in his stall a few days ago, and came near being killed, but, fortunately, escaped with a few severe bruises.

AN interview with Mr. Willits, owner of Silkwood, proved that there is no truth in the statement published in the Los Angeles Express that there is a probability of a match between Silkwood and Joe Patchen. The driver of Patchen is expected at Santa Ana on a visit to Mr. Willits, but the matter of arranging a race has not been thought of so far as the latter is concerned.

H. W. MEEKS' bay mare Witch (dam of Cricket, 2:10), by Dolphin, dropped a beautiful chestnut filly, by Diablo, 2:09½, last Sunday. Every one in Lorenzo and Haywards has been over to see the little chestnut lassie, and her proud owner says he will send the dam back to Diablo at once. He could not do better, for all the Diablos are not only well-formed but are very promising.

IN feeding the colts the object is to produce bone and muscle, and not fat, hence the feed-stuffs best suited for this purpose must be used in preference to corn, which is essentially a fat forming food and consequently heating in its action. Ground oats and barley are the best musclemakers, and fed with cut hay and bran and a little linseed meal will give very satisfactory results.

COLONEL HERSEY, who was directed at the last annual meeting of the Santa Clara County Agricultural Society to name a committee of five members, of which he was to be one, to act with the directors in an endeavor to raise funds to pay off the society's indebtedness and to erect a pavilion, has named the following to act with him: J. P. Jarman, J. H. M. Townsend, J. H. Henry and Cyrus Jones.

JOSEPH GILLIAN, a horse-owner who has a number of animals at the race track, San Jose, was fatally injured on Tuesday morning in a runaway accident. He was driving around the track at a lively clip and lost control of the animal. The sulky was overturned and the horse began kicking, shattering the rig and breaking Mr. Gillian's left hip. Owing to his age the prospects of his recovery are small.

DR. G. F. FAULKNER, the veterinarian, returned here Wednesday evening from San Francisco, where he had gone with Johnny Gateley. He tells us that Baker & Hamilton owners of Napa Wilkes, the horse that injured young Gateley, have sent the young man to Dr. Robert A. McLean for medical treatment. Dr. McLean's opinion of the boy's chances for regaining the use of the hand is the same as that entertained by Dr. Edwards, who treated the injury here. The chances are even that he will be a cripple for life.—Salinas Journal.

THE black six-year-old mare Lallah Wilkes, 2:26, by Sable Wilkes, 2:18 (sire of Oro Wilkes, 2:11), dam Susie Hunter, by Arthurton (sire of Arab, 2:15), second dam Julia Cameron, by Skenadoah, the property of Thomas Lynch Jr., is faster by several seconds than the proverbial ghost, and will be returned to the turf this season. She was taken out of her owner's road wagon one day late in the fall and John P. Gibbs drove her a quarter in thirty seconds. Lallah Wilkes was one of the best three-year-olds out in 1892, and was twice second to the great Kentucky Union, in time faster than Charleston had to go over the same track and day to defeat Belle Vara, 2:08½, Lord Clinton, 2:08½, and other crack free-for-all trotters.

THE Wiltons seem to be popular around New York. In the first place the dam of Wilton, Lady Simmons, was a New York road mare, and her dam, Lady Griswold, was likewise well-known on the drives of New York years ago, and the dam of Wilton's sire, Dolly Spanker, used to haul Harry Felter, the wine merchant, as fast as any horse that traveled in her day in this vicinity. So it seems that in the pedigree of Wilton, who recently sold for \$12,600 at Lexington, there is much of interest to the old-time drivers of New York. Mr. Shults, over at Parkville Farm, is the owner of two or three Wiltons that are quite promising, and Mr. Ferguson, a well-known horseman of this vicinity, has recently purchased Scourine and Attraction, a pair of three-year-olds by Wilton that are full of promise.

TRAINER M. P. DEVEY, who last season had the Parkville horses in hand, has opened a public stable on Ocean Parkway. Mr. Shults, his former employer, has placed in his hands some of his most promising youngsters. Part of the Shults horses will be turned over to Monroe Salisbury, and among those which will be offered to the "Sage of Pleasanton" will be My Trinket, a five-year-old by Stamboul, that has shown a quarter in 30½ seconds. If Kitty Bayard rounds to all right, she will go in the Californian's stable. All of the Parkville broodmares have been moved to Mr. Shults' farm near Port Chester.

AT the annual meeting of the Charter Oak driving park association in Hartford, Conn., February 5, by the report of the secretary and treasurer it was shown that \$10,000 had been lost at the last meeting because of the state law which prevented the sale of pools. The report was accepted. It was stated, however, that the impaired condition of the association's treasury would be recuperated if suitable legislation could be secured. In the Connecticut legislature, February 5, a bill was introduced allowing pool selling on tracks owned, leased or conducted by racing associations chartered by the State.

IT is said that C. J. Hamlin will in the future dispose of his remnants and surplus stock as road horses, and not as breeding stock. How true it is we do not know, but it is rumored that the recent sale of horses at Buffalo has convinced that gentleman that it would be better to fit up the sons and daughters of Mambrino King and Almont, Jr., for the New York market, disposing of them as the finished road horses, four-in-hand and tandem teams than to consign them to sales patronized by breeders. He will make his initial venture in that direction some time this spring.

JAMES GORNLEY, of Brooklyn, is driving on the road a very promising three-year-old bay filly by Epaullet, 2:19. Her owner recently offered to match her against any trotter of her age in Brooklyn, barring the youngsters owned at Parkville Farm, for \$5,000 a side, but there were no takers. She is called Georgiana, and her dam is the fine old broodmare Ida Howe, owned by Frank Ferguson, and shown by him at the last National Horse Show. Ida's record is no faster than 2:50½, but it was made as a three-year-old away back in 1873 before any trotter of her age had beaten 2:30. The daughter of Whipple's Hambletonian was the crack filly of her day on the Pacific Coast, winning upward of \$3,000 in races and beating all the best three-year-old trotters in California. Ida Howe was driven by Dennis Gannon at that time.

THE champion ten-mile horse of the world, Pascal, took the world's record for that distance under peculiar circumstances. The horse is a grandson of Almont 33, being by Pascarell, named undoubtedly in honor of that well-known character bred in the imagination of Ouida. The dam of Pascal is strictly thoroughbred, we are informed. This horse is used by his owner, Mr. Burk, a prominent contractor and builder in New York City, as a business horse, driving him often as high as seventy-five miles a day. When not interfered with by drays and wagons Pascal refuses to walk. He wants to road along at least ten to twelve miles an hour, and although he is very nervous he will stand under the elevated trains without being hitched; in fact, one day Mr. Burk took off his bridle, hung it on the shafts and left him standing for several minutes under the Sixth Avenue elevated. The day he took his record of 26:14 at Fleetwood he had been driven at least twenty miles on the road, Mr. Burk not expecting he would be called upon that day, and in fact the horse did not have his dinner; but there was a break in the program, and in order to fill up the gap and amuse the 15,000 people present the black road horse was called for, and he achieved the distinction of going ten miles in 26:14, a feat never accomplished by any other horse.

THERE are two excellent contrivances for controlling colts, for teaching them not to run away, not to kick, not to whirl around, or otherwise to misbehave. The first is a twitch—a rope about the size of a clothes-line. One end of this rope is formed into a loop which passes around the lower jaw of the horse, the free end going up over his neck and then back through the loop, and thence to the hand of the driver, or of an assistant who sits beside him, or walks beside him if they are afoot. The second device we have in mind is a broad strap fastened by a buckle, which encircles the fetlock of one foreleg, and to which is attached a rope held as is the twitch-rope just described. Suppose your colt starts to kick—immediately you pull up the fore foot to which the rope is attached, and the animal finds himself on three legs, powerless to kick. Or it may be that his particular vice is turning around when he meets something which he dislikes, or when he thinks that he has gone far enough. In this case also, if he finds that one leg is going to be taken from under him whenever he attempts to turn around he will soon give over the habit. A cool, experienced driver can manage both the reins and the rope, but a novice who attempted to do this would be apt to get the rope entangled with the colt's legs, and a bad accident might result. We omitted to say that the best way to attach the rope is to have it pass through the lug of the saddle, or through a ring affixed to the shaft for that purpose, and thence to the hand of the person who holds it.

APPARENTLY the owners of stallions are evincing a diffidence of no ordinary importance. Unquestionably this would at a glance seem detrimental to their own interests, as well as that of the great breeding element who are now endeavoring to make selections from which to breed. That the blood lines and ability of every stallion will undergo a most rigid scrutiny, there can be no question. The annihilating blow given the horse industry by the great panic has fully demonstrated the fallacy of theories heretofore adhered to by the major portion of men engaged in the business. As in every other class of business the horse industry is upheld by class journalism. It is the turf journal from which over and above all others the most authentic information can be derived on the subject of the horse. In this class of journalism the breeder finds an exchange of ideas on the relative merits of the great producing strains. It is from this source he is enabled to form conclusions, the results of which determine the channel of breeding best adopted to his purposes. It may be said that this to an extent more or less is fully applicable to those owning horses for sale. Many having horses for sale are not even thoroughly known in their own section. That a great demand now exists for horses of quality and ability cannot be denied. Buyers cannot find them. It is true such a class are not very abundant. If parties having such for sale would advertise, the chances for effecting sales would become infinitely greater than otherwise.