

AMONG THE HORSES.

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Success of the Midway Stable in the Grand Eastern Breed—Future Engagements—The Hastings and Fargo Fairs—Horse Show at the State Fair—General Sporting Notes.

A Brilliant Event.

Commodore N. W. Kittson, owner of the Midway breeding stud; D. W. Woodman, manager of the stable, and "Knapsack" McCarty, left for the east Saturday evening. The objective point being Boston, Mass., where at Beacon Park, Thursday, the 14th inst., weather permitting, he trotted the race for the purchase of \$10,000 offered by Mr. David H. Blanchard of that city, for horses eligible to the 2:17 class when the entries were opened, on June 1.

The entrance, the usual 10 per cent was divided into four payments, and only when the last was due, Aug. 31, was the nomination required to name his horse. The plan worked well, and of the 104 original nominations for the event, eight made the final payment of entry on the day named, and designated the horse to represent them in the race—a race by the way that will undoubtedly prove the crowning event of the season. Commodore Kittson was among the nominators for the race and he has pinned the chances of his stable upon the ch. m. Fanny Witherspoon, by Almont, dam by George's Wagner. She will be driven in the race by "Knapsack," who, in spite of all the attempts made through the grand central circuit to back up, still possesses the confidence of the Commodore and Mr. Woodman. She will have to meet all the best noted performers of the season, viz. Clingstone, Edwin Thorne, Black Cloud, Helena, Santa Claus, Parma, and Humboldt. With such a field of horses, it is hardly possible that the race can be won in straight heats, and with so many chances entering into a broken contest of this character, it is a waste of time to speculate as to the outcome. The following analysis of the merits of the different horses, judged by their performances this season, from the Spring of '81, will be of interest to the large number who especially delight in this department of the Globe, and will furnish them the ground-work in a small, upon which to pick out the winner, in their mind's eye.

"A glance at the recent performances of the eight competitors will indicate how closely they are matched. Commodore Kittson names Fanny Witherspoon, doubtless the best now in his stable, and she will be favored by some as the probable winner. Her best race this season was at Poughkeepsie, where she won in the 2:19 class in 2:19, 2:18 1/2, 2:18 1/2, on a track conceded to be not so fast as the others of the grand circuit. At Hartford the following week, Santa Claus beat her quite handsily, but her driver attributes her defeat to the softness of the track, which she did not like. Col. H. E. Russell, of Boston, has named the black stallion, Black Cloud, but at our last advices it was not positively certain that he would start. If he does, he will very likely be the favorite. His career this season has been very successful. At Chicago he won two races, the last in the splendid time of 2:19, 2:18 1/2, 2:17 1/2, and at Buffalo he won a six heat race with Jerome Eddy, the slowest mile being 2:20. He trotted within half a second of his record at Hartford. He will be dangerous, but it must be taken into consideration that he has not yet beaten any one of his competitors. John Murphy, under the nomination of J. E. Stewart, names the chestnut mare Helena. She is not entitled, by record or performance, to trot with this company, but is faster than her record. She will be well handled at all events. George W. Saunders names the bay gelding Clingstone, whose record of 2:14, and defeat of Edwin Thorne in the earlier part of the grand circuit, would have made him a prime favorite, but those terrible struggles with the son of Thordale have evidently taken the edge from him. The possibility of his running in time should not be overlooked, and were he Clingstone he ought to win, but as it is, at least three others will outrank him in the estimation of chances. Wesley P. Balch, of Boston, names the bay mare Parma. She has won but once this year, early in the season, trotting in 2:20, is said to be going very fast in trials, but lack of work will operate against her. John E. Turner will hold the reins behind the grand chestnut gelding, Edwin Thorne, whose recent victories over Clingstone, at Utica and Hartford, have given him great prestige, and he will be a first or second choice in the betting. Charles S. Green, in spite of his discouragements, names the bay gelding, Humboldt, with whom he can scarcely hope to win, but when he will believe he has a world of speed he has begun to enjoy trotting round the fifth or sixth heat. Orrin A. Hickok, under the nomination of James Golden, will pilot his pride, the bay stallion, Santa Claus. By the record of the season's performances he should win, as he has beaten Black Cloud and Fanny Witherspoon, as well as Edwin Thorne, who, in his turn, has beaten Clingstone. So, himself or proxy, he has defeated all his formidable competitors. He likes the Beacon Park track, and the betting will be between him, Edwin Thorne, and Black Cloud, if the latter starts."

This week nearly all the trotters, pacers, and runners, and many of the show horses, at the State fair, will be at the Hastings fair. We would like to have presented a programme of the sport to be given, but unfortunately have not been furnished with the list. It may be stated, however, that the programme has been arranged to accommodate state horses. M. T. Grattan, of Preston, who so ably filled the position of starting judge in the state fair races, will occupy the same position at Hastings, a guarantee that there will be no jobs allowed, and that all the races will be decided upon the merits of the contesting horses. The officers of the association are among the leading citizens of Hastings, who, through their efforts on previous occasions, have secured for their fair an interest extending far beyond the limits of the county. They propose to eclipse this year any previous effort on their part, and with them to propose is to do.

Horses at the State Fair

The "Horse" department of the Globe takes pleasure in seconding the news columns of the paper in its statement that the horse show at the late State fair was one of the finest, and probably the very finest, ever made in the Northwest. In all there were over 200 head on the ground, embracing the proud and gamey thoroughbred, the clean cut, nifty and beautiful trotter, and the massive and stately horse of all work. As paraded for the grand cavalcade on Thursday, in two long lines within the enclosure, with the trotters and thoroughbreds in front, they presented a scene of equine beauty scarcely if ever excelled. For the arrangement of the horses for the cavalcade, and the general management of this department, too great praise cannot be accorded W. F. Cross of Red Wing, who had charge of the working details. A thorough horseman himself, he knew what was wanted to make everything go off smoothly, and he was untiring and wonderfully successful in the means employed to secure such a result. The fact that there was not a hitch or clash in his department from the beginning to the end of the fair, speaks well for his executive ability. In no one thing was the officers of the State Agricultural Society more fortunate than in the selection of superintendents of departments.

The Chicago Horse Fair.

[Special Telegram to the Globe.] CHICAGO, Sept. 10.—The great Chicago horse fair opens next Saturday and lasts one week, and with fine weather, such as was enjoyed at the summer trotting meeting, it will be the biggest turf event of the west. The speed department will command much attention. In sixteen races there are 120 entries. In the 2-year old purse there are five nominations, including Engue, while the 3-year old event received but one of these is Almont. Every promising filly bred at Glenview is in the special 4-year old, race—Jay Eye See. Bronze and Fanny will join issue and if the daughter of Princess is as good as reported, first money will not be a gift to the son of Dictator. The stallion, pacing and special races are the chief features of the rest of the programme. There are now fully 125 horses at the track, including exhibition and speed horses, and the arrivals are pouring in from everywhere. The main portion of trotting and pacing stock will arrive this week.

IS HE INNOCENT?

Tracy, the Condemned Chicago Murderer, Preparing for His Fate—A Remarkable Statement by the Doomed Man—He Asserts His Innocence of the Crime, and Will Die Like a Man.

[Special Telegram to the Globe.] CHICAGO, Sept. 10.—James Tracy, the condemned murderer, is becoming more subdued as the day fixed for the execution approaches. Since the refusal of the supreme court to grant a supersedeas in his case a great change has come over him. Previous to Friday he was exceedingly lively, not to say wild, but since the bad news from the higher court he has ceased to be chipper, though still talkative at times. He is growing more sober in his demeanor every hour. He appears to realize fully the great danger he is in, and practically admits that he has no hope of reprieve. He has only five days more to live. The sheriff has made all necessary preliminary preparations for the legal choking. The rope is ready, and the gallows can be put up in a few hours. The gallows has been tried and is known to be entirely safe. It is the one used on the occasion of the execution of Sherry and Connelly five years ago. After those hot throats were dead the platform was taken to pieces and carefully stowed away for future use. Tracy sent for a priest yesterday. The father called in the afternoon and the two enjoyed a conversation for some time. The Jesuit father, who is administering consolation to the murderer, is understood to be bringing influence to bear upon the governor for a reprieve, but as Tracy has no friends with influence, the belief prevails that he will be hanged at the appointed hour. The slayer of Policeman Huebner is a person of small consequence, and the law will probably be permitted to take its course.

Record of Trotters and Pacers.

Tuesday, Sept. 5, at Springfield, Mass. 2:38 class. May Thorne won first, third and sixth heats. Ezra L. second, Amelia C. third, Eva fourth. Time, 2:28 1/2, 2:25 1/2, 2:25 1/2, 2:27, 2:29 1/2, 2:31. In the 2:20 class, J. P. Morris won in the second, fourth and sixth heats. Overman 2, Clemmie G. 3, Dream 4, Forrest Patchen 5, Humboldt 6. Time, 2:20, 2:22 1/2, 2:22 1/2, 2:22, 2:24, 2:25 1/2. Wednesday, Sept. 6, at Cleveland, Mattie Graham won in the 2:21 class, in the first, fourth and fifth heats. Peter R. 2, Fred Douglas 3, Red Cross 4, Fashion 5, Novelty 6. Time, 2:24 1/2, 2:24 1/2, 2:23 1/2, 2:25 1/2, 2:25 1/2. In the 2:23 class St. Louis won. Time, 2:28, 2:26 1/2, 2:26, 2:25, 2:27. At Springfield, Mass., in the 2:29 class, Yellow Dock won in three straight heats. Time, 2:23 1/2, 2:23, 2:23 1/2. In the 2:26 class Onawa won the second, third and fourth heats, Mamie 2, John Hall 3, Ethel Medium 4, Jennie L. 5. Time, 2:21 1/2, 2:25 1/2, 2:22 1/2, 2:22 1/2. Friday, Sept. 8, at Cleveland, in the 2:24 class, Sailor Boy won the first, third and fourth heats. Time, 2:21 1/2, 2:22 1/2, 2:22, 2:21. In the 2:40 class Nellie Clay won in the fourth, fifth and sixth heats. Time, 2:40 1/2, 2:31 1/2, 2:34, 2:30 1/2, 2:31, 2:31 1/2. At Springfield, Mass., in the 2:25 class, E. L. won in three straight heats, Amelia C. 2, Carabasset 3. Time, 2:25 1/2, 2:27 1/2, 2:25 1/2. In the free-for-all, Edwin Thorne won in the three straight heats, Black Cloud 2, Santa Claus 3. Time, 2:22 1/2, 2:17 1/2, 2:22.

Played Out.

The Oil Wells in the Cherry Grove District in Pennsylvania Completely Exhausted.

[Special Telegram to the Globe.] OIL CITY, Pa., Sept. 10.—The oil country is greatly excited over the phenomenal decline in the production of wells in the Cherry Grove district, which has no parallel in the history of the trade. In many portions of that prolific district, wells have ceased flowing completely, and in all others the decline is very noticeable. At first it was supposed the influx of salt water caused the decline, but it is now known to be a clear case of exhaustion of resources. Both oil and gas have disappeared and refused to return. The field is exhausted. A sudden decline in that field was anticipated, but the decline has come sooner than was expected. The oil-producing rock is only about four feet thick, and seems to be completely drained. The oil country people are jubilant because this sudden decline means greatly enhanced prices for oil.

POLITICAL PLANS.

SOME ARE CROOKED AND OTHERS APPARENTLY ON THE SQUARE.

Folger Ahead in the Race for the Governorship of New York—Vice President Wheeler's Opinion of Him—The Contest in the Second Wisconsin District—The Trades Assemblies to Run a Candidate—Jay Hubbell's Circular.

The New York Governorship.

[Special Telegram to the Globe.] New York, Sept. 10.—Over one-third of the delegates to the Republican State convention have been chosen. The political complexion of the districts that remain to be heard from, (and they include New York and Brooklyn,) make it tolerably certain that 450 delegates about 150 will be for Cornell, 150 for Wadsworth, and the rest for Folger. We have only one secretary of the treasury, Judge Robertson, the collector of the port, who led New York state's bolting delegation against Grant in the Chicago convention, has come out, it is said, for Folger. Robertson has great influence, and he controls an immense amount of patronage, which seems to be swung for Folger. In the New York and Brooklyn districts the stalwarts will carry nine-tenths of the delegates, and they will undoubtedly control the convention. Ex-Vice President Wheeler, who has not been a Conkling man by any means, is reported as saying: "The Republicans can only win by selecting the right man. His character, his reputation, his disposition must be without a flaw or a taint. He must be as pure in character as he is strong in popularity and ripe in experience. We have only one such man—Judge Folger. He is the only man who can positively carry the state. Against Mr. Wadsworth not a word can be said, but this time has not yet come."

The Milwaukee District.

[Special Telegram to the Globe.] MILWAUKEE, Sept. 10.—In this congressional district there have been no marked developments. However, the candidates for congressional honors are not any less numerous than they were a week ago, while the dark horses are assuming the proportions of a caravan. P. V. Deuster comes to the city daily from his home, visits his newspaper office, greets his friends, listens to reports of his supporters for nomination, and then returns to his home. "Although he may try to convince you to the contrary, he is nevertheless desirous of being returned to his seat in congress, and will be the nominee of the Democrats for the reason that they have no other available timber. Ex-Mayor Black having abandoned politics and resolved hereafter to confine himself to business pursuits. In order to inspire success in the campaign, the Democrats must get the German vote, and Deuster is their only man who can capture it. J. W. Van Schaick will leave the city for an extended Eastern trip that will cover four to six weeks. Mr. Van Schaick has set up the pins to his own satisfaction for the Republican nomination, and now proposes to retire and await the tender of the position by his political constituents. He proposes to have it appear as coming to him unsolicited as a suitable acknowledgment of the valuable service rendered by him to his party in time past. Of course he will accept and then, fresh from a prolonged seaside rest, he will roll up his sleeves and work like a beaver to triumph at the polls. That this is his programme cannot be doubted, but there are Democrats, and others who are not Democrats, who profess to believe that Van Schaick has discovered the presence of bitter opposition in the Republican camp, and is running away from the "boogy man." They profess to believe that he dare not run unless he can be assured of the Trades' assembly support, and the signs of the times indicate that this support cannot be obtained. Furthermore, they declare that Van Schaick fears the moral effect of a defeat at the polls where he has hitherto been, uniformly successful, and now does not want the nomination, because he sees plainly that he cannot be elected. It is at least given by the Trades' Assembly leaders that a congressional candidate will be placed in the field independent of the regular political parties. Hence some significance attaches to this dark horse. N. S. Murphy, the hero of a successful newspaper war against a gigantic combination of capital, has returned from a prolonged absence at Block Island, where the sea breezes have had such an invigorating effect that he wears an air of blooming youth. Mr. Murphy denies the report that he has been asked by the Trades' Assembly to head their ticket. He professes utter ignorance of the political situation in Milwaukee, for the reason that no local papers reached him during a period of four weeks. He declines to define his position politically, and will not be interviewed on the subject of prospective congressional honors.

The First Wisconsin District.

[Special Telegram to the Globe.] ELKHORN, Wis., Sept. 10.—The First District Democratic congressional convention is called for September 27, at Elkhorn. Whether the Democrats will then make a nomination, endorse the Prohibition candidate, endorse an independent that may be that time in the field, or go home after adopting resolutions that it is advisable to take no action, rests purely in conjecture. No definite policy has been mapped out.

Washington Gossip.

[Special Telegram to the Globe.] WASHINGTON, Sept. 10.—Ebbell's documents which were to exhibit the distinctive principles of the Republican party do not seem to be in great demand. They do not excite a tenth part of the curiosity excited by Hubbell's method of getting the money to spend in circulating them. So far as anybody deprived of Hubbell's pamphlets can discover, the outfit of the Republican consists in the party machine and the party name, if Mr. Blaine's latest deliverance is accepted as official. Mr. Blaine is at least clear. When he speaks himself the oracle is on top. The Republican party appeals for support to the things it did a long while ago, and the men now dead who used to belong to it. Meanwhile there is no mystery about either of these things. The Republican party is engaged in steal-

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The building department has ordered that of commerce will meet to-night and probably decide upon a plan for the new building. Eight plans have been submitted by L. S. Burlington, Oct. Ross, Hodgson & Sons, J. K. Wilson, W. H. Dennis and Smith & Wilcox.

A little blaze on the east side at 8 o'clock yesterday afternoon destroyed an old shed just below the Pillsbury mill. The fire caught on two box cars standing on the track near by, somewhat damaging their cargo of wheat, but was promptly suppressed by the fire department.

Mr. Hicks, of River Falls, the gentleman arrested on complaint of Attorney Arctander, on suspicion of having pushed Mrs. Scales from the Manitoba train near Doran, was yesterday released from duress vile. The case will be brought before the municipal court at 11 this forenoon, when the accused will probably be discharged, as there seems to be no evidence against him.

The John McCullough engagement at the Academy of Music opens to-night with "Virginius," to be followed during the remaining evenings of the week by "Othello," "Richard III.," "Julius Caesar," "King Lear," and "The Gladiator" in the order named with "Macbeth" for the Saturday matinee. McCullough is a favorite with Minneapolis play goers, and will be greeted with a good audience this evening, the better part of the house being already sold.