LIVELY BRUSHES ON SPEEDWAY

IDA HIGHWOOD PROMINENT AS A WINNER ON THE DRIVE.

Bud Stout and a Rival Pacer Divide Honors in Two Brisk Engagements—Miss Overton Travels Fast—Walks Lined With Spectators to Watch Steppers.

Both sides of the Speedway for a quarter of a mile were lined with spectators yesterday morning for the Sunday speed disputes. Several of the horses that were bought in the sale at the Garden were out going through their paces on the drive, but the most looked-for trotter, Lord Derby, was not on hand. E. E. Smathers, who bought the crack gelding, left him behind, but had two others of his string out, Queen Wilkes and Ida Highwood, he and George Spear alternating behind the mares. The footing was excellent.

Early arrivals were A. E. Perren behind his green pacer Bud Stout, and H. W. Guthrie, with the brown pacer Gunsalus, 2:12¾. The two sidewheelers engaged in a couple of closely contested heats, coming to the finish line full tilt each time and moving smoothly. Gunsalus won the first heat by about a head, but the next time Mr. Perren piloted Bud Stout to the finish in the lead by a neck. Charles C. Lloyd's two trotters, Chain Shot, 2:10¾, and Malzour, 2:15¾, measured strides three times. The finish every time was close, Mr. Lloyd with Chain Shot managing to beat the black gelding in each heat. About this time John Splan appeared on the scene with the bay trotter Col. Wilkes and was soon in the thick of a brush with Queen Wilkes, with Spear driving. Col. Wilkes carried Queen Wilkes to a break near the finish and won.

The trim mare Ida Highwood, 2:13¾, had a good day. She outfooted Mr. Parsons's mare La Belle Rosa, and later showed the way down the half-mile flight to David Lamar's recent purchase, Sally Simpson. Ida Highwood also figured prominently in a four-cornered trotting tilt which was one of the liveliest of the day. The other three were Queen Wilkes, Fred Deitz's Miss Overton, 2:26¾, and A. E. Perren's Crystal Chimes. It was an exciting scramble from the bend to the finish and the road being pretty clear at the time thousands of eyes watched the flying group as they hoofed it their merriest over the route. The finish was very close and the order appeared to be Queen Wilkes, Ida Highwood, Miss Overton and Crystal Chimes. Some thought, however, that Miss Overton was first. Then Ida Highwood tackled Crystal Chimes alone and beat the latter by half a length. Miss Overton won from Luke Burke's black trotter West Wilkes, 2:13¾, by a small margin and another that fell victim to Miss Overton was John Timmins's trotter Harry Davis. West Wilkes came down ahead of the brown trotting mare Lorna Doone.

George Coleman, driving Miss Eunice, had a busy hour and took part in interesting brushes. Miss Eunice, L. D., 2:12¾, and La Belle Rosa were the participants in a brush that was full of action all the way. Mr. Noll brought L. D. to the terminus in the van with Miss Eunice second. Miss Eunice fared better when she brushed with the big mare Pristina, 2:18¾, with J. E. Meyer driving. Pristina left her feet fifty yards from the finish and Miss Eunice rushed over the line a winner. In a repeat heat the order was reversed, Pristina holding to the finish this time and passing the line in front by a length. Both Miss Eunice and Pristina were forced to be satisfied with rear positions when they encountered the trotter Kingwood, 2:17¼, whom J. L. Dodge landed in first place.

J. P. Baiter's chestnut pacer Fire Gilt, 2:11¼, had speed and won a brush from Gunsalus. Nathan Straus had Cobwebs on the road, but did not send him at speed and Charles Reilly was out with his black trotter Dellade Wilkes, 2:10¼. Michael Reid jogged up and down behind Farmer, and the noted Speedway flyer, Page, covered the course briskly. Hugh Riley, with his veteran roadster, Commodore Porter, Harry Williams, with the gray mare Maggie Alemon, Elmer Stevens, with the pacer Replica, and Fred Schmidt, with his sweeping team, Mercury Wilkes and Excellence, were others who travelled rapidly.

TERRY M'GOVERN BEATS SHARKEY

But It Was in Brushes on the Brooklyn Speedway.

Over the finest bit of footing that has been seen for many weeks on the Brooklyn Speedway there was the biggest turnout of brushers yesterday that the crowd has seen *since September.* Capt. Gans of the Sixty-eighth precinct was out behind his new bay trotter Vallean, 2:12, and Roundsman Hatton, who was at the half-mile post for the afternoon, kept the road more free for brushing than it has been known to be for some time.

Practically all the regulars were on hand and there were besides many who were strange. Between the strangers and the regulars there were many new horses out, good steppers, that were being tried for the first time by their owners.

The most talked about racing of the day, though not the best, took place early in the afternoon, when Terry McGovern behind Miss Elinore, 2:15¼, beat Tom Sharkey with what he said was "Merry Pat, 2:17¼," two straight heats. It was generally remarked that Terry had found satisfaction for his disappointment of Thanksgiving Day "by going out of his class and licking Sharkey in two rounds." Joe Fitzsimmons also was "among those present" of the pugilistic class. He was accompanied by his wife and was driving a coupé and took no part in the speeding.

The best thing on the road in the pacing line was C. K. Robinson's Hindoo Boy, 2:18¾, driven by Jack Rogers, and he cleaned up everything that chose to turn with him. Later he came out with Mike Minden's trotter Doc H., and again he got the best of those with whom he engaged. Hindoo Boy's best bit was against Capt. Gans with Valleen. The latter was beaten a two lengths. Behind Doc H. Rogers beat Capt. W. H. Guy's black mare Iveta, 2:15¼, which had been up and down eight or nine times, having things pretty much her own way. Iveta was driven by a trainer. Capt. Guy being out in a runabout with his wife, behind his green bay trotting mare Madge.

Some of the most spectacular racing occurred late in the afternoon when the road was clear and the remainder began to turn together of the upper end, three, four, five and six at a time. In a bunch of six Edward Doyle's Scott, 2:13, William Mahoney's Adam, 2:10¼, C. D. Strang's Omega, 2:13, William Evans's Molino Wilkes, 2:14, and two others passed the half-mile post strung out in the order named, with Smith pulling by two lengths and the others well behind. As it was a half-mile go this was the finish and the crowd yelled wildly.

In a three-cornered brush Adelgin was first by a length, with George Bunker's Bullet, 2:12, second, and L. E. Acker's trotter, Lady Travis, third. Later Lady Travis won a stiff brush from Bullet and some up-to-date odds over Lady Travis. It is likely will be engaged next year. Yesterday she was not doing the fine four or five times and only once, when against pacers, did she fall to win. A good three-cornered bout took place in the afternoon between Adelgin, Wilkes and Omega, in which they finished short in the order named.

Nat Ward was seen yesterday that rare and delightful thing, a good horse. He was a quarter horse, 2:16, and he was a good one. He bumped William Dunn, Bill of Fulgence, 2:12, who also was driving a coupé, and a couple of others, and either had failed to find any fault with him. He showed speed and was under a pull in every brush he had. A match race for a week from next Sunday between B. F. Bedell and Ward, Dunn and Ward, Ward and Lady Travis, Ward and Bullet, Ward and Omega, Ward and Scott and Ward against the field in fact, with the exception of Lady Travis, Lady Lee Omega, Bullet and Scott, which