

Horse Department.

The Middlebury Register now for more than a year has been giving much original and valuable information upon Morgan and other celebrated horses. It intends to continue publishing such information from week to week, giving at least six pages to its Horse Department.

When sufficient material has accumulated we expect to place it in book form, publishing first our volume upon the Morgan Horse, and afterwards a Register of the more distinguished sires and performers.

In the latter we hope to include all 230 performers, with their breeding, so far as can be ascertained; also to distinguish between things that are known and things that are not known, in every pedigree. In all cases the evidence upon which the pedigrees are based will be given to the public through the columns of THE MIDDLEBURY REGISTER.

When we are satisfied, is what the public wants and ought to have. Many judgments are better than one.

The Register by reason of this extensive information and this method of giving it, is rapidly becoming indispensable to all breeders and horsemen. It should also be an excellent medium for advertisers, especially those dealing in Morgan horses.

Preserve your files, for they will form, with the full indexes thereto, a most valuable and available cyclopaedia of horse matters.

VERMONT HORSE BREEDERS' MEETING.

The coming meeting at Rutland promises to be one of the highest interest. The purses are liberal, the trotting will be excellent and the show of stock probably the best ever seen in this State.

BELLE FRANKLIN, 2:28 1/4.

At Mystic Park on the 5th inst. the black mare Belle Franklin won in the 2:32 class in straight heats time, 2:30 1/4, 2:28 1/4, 2:28 1/4, thus landing gracefully in the charmed circle. Belle Franklin is the first of the get of Ben Franklin (2:29), the elegant son of Daniel Lambert that is making famous the Brookside Farm, to get an official record below 2:30.

Her dam is the Fish mare by Blackstone (sire of Daisy Hamilton, 2:28 1/2), he by Rysdyk's Hambletonian. Belle is seven years old and is one of only five foals of that age got by her sire. She is one of the double-gaited Ben Franklins, and it is said that those of his get that move in that way are apt to be among the fastest. She has been quite a uniform winner during the few weeks she has been on the turf and is likely to place her mark still lower before the season closes.

The excellent young stallion Orwell, owned by C. D. Williams, Winooski, Vt., that divided with Star Franklin second and third money in the Fairvale stakes for two-year-olds at Burlington last fall, is a full brother to Belle Franklin, as is also the promising bay yearling colt Hampton owned by H. T. Cutts of Orwell.

Ben Franklin is the seventh son of Daniel Lambert to get a representative in the 2:30 list. He is thirteen years old, but only twelve of his get are older than five the present season. Belle Franklin is the first and only one among the twelve that has been given regular turf work, and her success in this, her first season, goes far to justify the high expectations of the numerous friends of the Ben Franklin stock. Three others of the twelve have shown better than 2:30 in trials, one (Otis H.) having trotted Fairmount Park in 2:24 1/2.

SALE OF ETHOL.

Mr. H. T. Cutts of the Brookside Farm, Orwell, Vt., has sold the elegant two-year-old colt, Ethol, to Charles Gilman, Esq., of Southport, Conn., for one thousand dollars. Ethol is a large and finely developed colt of great style and beauty, and exhibits the purest trotting action. He is entered in the Brookside Stakes for two-year-olds at the coming fall meeting of the Vermont Horse Breeders' association and also in the New England stakes for foals of 1884, to be trotted in the fall of 1887. Ethol was sired by Ben Franklin, son of Daniel Lambert, and his dam is by Broken Leg, son of Rysdyk's Hambletonian; second dam by Daniel Lambert; third dam, the Pratt mare, dam of Lambert Chief. He should make a stock horse of great excellence.

BLACK HAWK: HAD HE MARKS?

Editor Register:—I wish to enquire through your columns as to the correctness of the prevalent rumor that Hill's Black Hawk was possessed of three white feet and spot or stripe in the face. I recollect well of hearing such a story when the horse was in his prime.

ENQUIRE.

[Black Hawk had no marks. No horse has been oftener or more carefully described from the hour of his birth to that of his death, and all descriptions agree that he was jet black without white.—ED. REGISTER.]

A GOOD MARE.

Dr. O. H. Stevens of Bradford, Vt., has a mare, Fanchon, that was foaled July 2, 1881; sire, Eastern Boy, he by General Knox; dam by Laird Horse, he by old Morrill; grandam by Daniel Lambert. The doctor drove her a few days ago a full mile on a poor half-mile track in 2:35. She did not make a skip, and trotted last half in 1:15. This mare was never trained nor put in condition, but is a natural trotter. Her stride is over 18 feet.

OUR SUSPICION CONFIRMED.

We have to correct the Middlebury Register in the number of horses got by the sons of Ethan Allen: Daniel Lambert 29, Bacon's Ethan Allen 5, Woodward's or Wither's Ethan Allen 9, Holabird's Ethan Allen 5, Green Mountain Morgan 2, Honest Allen 5, and Tom Moore 2. Ed. Duntou's Spirit of the Turf.

We are more than ever convinced that Bro. Duntou is on a vacation.

HORSE NOTES.

Some time ago inquiry was made concerning the breeding of the stallion Dodge Morrill, and in response, Mr. J. H. Jones of Barre, Vt., who took pains to look up the facts, sends the following: "In looking up the history of the horses Winthrop Morrill and Dodge Morrill, I find that years ago there was an English mare which was bred to the Carson Horse owned by one Flagg Abbott, and the produce was a filly. When matured this filly was bred to Old Bulrush, the result also being a filly, which at maturity was bred to Morgan Eagle, the produce being a filly known in after life as the Waterman Mare. This Waterman Mare brought two full sisters, one of which became the dam of Winthrop Morrill and the other of Dodge Morrill. These mares, dams of Winthrop and Dodge Morrill, were got by the Huckins Horse. He, too, was a Morgan, but I have not yet learned by what horse he was got. You can easily learn, however, by writing to Charles Huckins, Vermont.—[Chester Huckins, W. Topsham.]

"I remember the old Waterman Mare well when a boy. Should say she was about 15-2 hands high, weight about 1050 pounds, dark bay with large star, and a bad one to tackle on the road when going home from meeting. The dam of Dodge Morrill looked very much like her mother, more so than the dam of Winthrop. She was also bay, but not so dark, with star and one or two white hind feet. Morgan Eagle was owned in this town and tended by one Emory Fales. His son, now living, tells me he thinks Morgan Eagle was got by old Bulrush, and says he came from Tumbidge, Vt., to this town."

By the above it will be seen that Winthrop Morrill possessed at least one Morgan strain for which he has never received credit in the Register. The Huckins Horse, sire of the dams of Winthrop and Dodge Morrill, was by Royal Morgan, son of Sherman Morgan, and the Morgan Eagle mentioned was by Woodward Morgan. Can some of our Vermont or New York subscribers give us any information concerning this Carson Horse? Within a few months we have heard of a horse of that name which died somewhere in New York State at the reputed age of forty-four years. The Carson Horse, which is found in the pedigree of Winthrop Morrill, was by a horse called Quicksilver, got by the Arabian horse Dey of Algiers. This Quicksilver was taken to Maine, and has been described to us by one who knew him as a remarkably handsome, attractive animal.

Knowing that Mr. P. M. Jeffers was well posted in regard to the best horses in Maine in his day, it was thought that he might be able to give some light upon the breeding of Jules Jurgensen's dam. A recent letter of inquiry concerning the matter brought the following reply: "I do not know the breeding of Jules Jurgensen's dam. He was bred in Vassalboro, Me., or vicinity, and purchased during a State fair at Waterville by John Littlefield of Abbott, Me., when two years old, being called at that time Gen. Logan. His colts, even from common mares, were good ones. Among them were Iron Age (2:19 1/4) and Nellie Walton (2:26 1/2)."

"All his get had the natural trotting instinct. Ash Savage told me that he was driving on Fashion Stud Farm when Jules Jurgensen died, and that H. N. Smith said he would rather have lost all the other horses on the place, and that he trotted a faster trial mile than any other stallion had at that date. I saw Jules Jurgensen trot a half-mile when five years old in 1:14, almost the first time that he was ever on a track. The Young Abdullah that Mr. Pierce speaks of was owned by myself, and got by Farmer's Beauty, from Lady Mack, by Adallah, making him full brother to Taggart's Adallah. I had him of Herman Woodward, father of Ollie Woodward. He was a game little trotter, but not much of a success as a stock horse."

It seems from Mr. Jeffers' statement that there were at least two Young Abdallahs in Maine. In Thompson's "Maine Bred Horses" Jules Jurgensen is recorded as by Gen. Knox, dam by Young Abdullah. Some have got the impression from this that Jurgensen's dam was by Cobbler, which was sometimes called Young Abdullah. This, however, was an impossibility, as Cobbler was not foaled until 1867, while the date of Jules Jurgensen's birth was July 27, 1865. Neither could this mare have been by the full brother of Taggart's Adallah. Lady Mack produced four foals by Farmer's Beauty. The first was a bay filly, foaled in 1858; the second, Taggart's Adallah, foaled in 1859; the third, Hiram Woodruff, or Little Mack, foaled in 1860, and the fourth, Isaac Woodruff, foaled in 1861. It was either Hiram Woodruff or Isaac Woodruff that Mr. Jeffers mentions as Young Abdullah, and he certainly could not have got the Knoll mare, dam of Jules Jurgensen. Can some of our Maine subscribers tell us who bred the Knoll Mare that brought Jules Jurgensen? Also where the Young Abdullah that got her originated?

That was a fighting race which Endymion won at Cleveland in the 2:27 class on the 28th ult. The first heat was captured by Bob's Jug, son of George Wilkes, dam by Honest Allen, in 2:22 3/4; next went to Little Joe, by Bob Hunter, by Teat Horse, son of Hill's Black Hawk, in 2:26; the third was taken by William C. in 2:22 3/4; the fourth by Endymion

in 2:25; the fifth by Wallace in 2:24 1/2; the sixth and seventh by Endymion in 2:24 1/2, 2:23 1/4. Endymion is a seven-year-old black stallion by Dictator; first dam, Anna Eastman (dam of Dolly Davis, 2:29); by Morgan Rattler, by Hale's Green Mountain Morgan, by Gifford Morgan; second dam by Mambrino Chief.

The race for 2:19 class, begun the 29th, was a nine heat affair, the first of which was won by Felix, son of Nutwood, in 2:19 1/4; the second went to Bessie, by Blue Bull, in 2:17 1/2; the third to Mambrino Sparkle, by Fiske's Mambrino Chief, in 2:17; the fourth to Prince Arthur, by Western Fearnought, in 2:18; the fifth and sixth to J. Q., by Kentucky Prince, Jr., in 2:18 1/2, 2:18 1/2; the seventh to Mambrino Sparkle in 2:18 1/2; the eighth to Prince Arthur, in 2:19 3/4; and the ninth to Mambrino Sparkle in 2:21 3/4. Prince Arthur proved himself a racehorse in this event. His sire, Western Fearnought, was by Col. Russell's Fearnought (2:23 1/4), dam by Taggart's Adallah, making him a thoroughly inbred Morgan. The dam of Prince Arthur, as stated by W. T. Chester, is a daughter of Goldsmith's Adallah (2:30), he by Volunteer, out of Martha, by Old Adallah. The dam of Taggart's Adallah was also by Old Adallah.

The 2:23 race which was begun at Cleveland on the 28th inst. had a surprise in store. Seven trotters contested for honors in this event. The first heat was won by Senator Stanford's four-year-old mare Manzanita, by Electioneer, dam by the pacer St. Clair, time 2:16 1/4, thus reducing the best four-year-old record, that of Sally Benton, 2:17 3/4, 1 1/2 seconds. Belle Hamlin was leading until within a very short distance from the wire and must have trotted the mile close to 2:16 1/2. The second heat was taken by Manzanita in 2:19 1/4. Belle Hamlin came to the front the next two heats in 2:18 1/2, 2:19, when the race was postponed on account of darkness. The next day Belle Hamlin captured the deciding heat in 2:18 3/4. The winner is a dark bay mare, foaled by C. J. Hamlin, foaled June 29, 1879, got by Hamlin's Almont Jr. (2:26), he by Almont; first dam by Blood's Black Hawk, son of Hill's Black Hawk; second dam by Bonner's Saxe-Weimar, he by Saxe-Weimar, son of Sir Archy. The dam of Belle Hamlin was Toy, by Hamlin's Patchen, first dam by a son of Royal George, second dam by Hill's Black Hawk. Hamlin's Patchen was by George M. Patchen, 2:21 1/2, first dam, Mag Addition, by Addison, son of Hill's Black Hawk; second dam, Little Belle, by Sherman Black Hawk, son of Hill's Black Hawk; third dam, Belle of Saratoga, record 2:29, by Hill's Black Hawk. During the past few years the attention of the Cultivator readers has been frequently called to the excellent results produced by crossing Almont stallions upon Morgan mares, especially those from the Black Hawk branch of the family. No better proof of the value of this cross has come to public notice of late than this mare, whose sire, though now but fourteen years old, is credited with seven in the 2:30 list, the best of which is Belle Hamlin, from a dam strongly inbred to Hill's Black Hawk.

Thomas Foster is handling the ribbons over Helen Wilkes since her race at Mystic, where she got her mark of 2:25 1/4. The dam of Cock of the Rock, sire of Holland's Ethan Allen's dam, was Romp, full sister to Miller's Damsel, instead of Young Miller's Damsel, as stated a short time ago. Cock of the Rock was brother in blood to American Eclipse, both being by Duroc, their dams being full sisters, by imported Messenger.

SUNDRY LETTERS.

ETHAN ALLEN, 2D, PETER'S MORGAN, OLD PETE, GENERAL THOMPSON.

MR. BLISS.—I have been at work on old Pete's pedigree. I know the sire of Old Pete, but the dam I don't find any one that knows what sire he, only she was part English blood; color, bay, owned by Mrs. True and was a nice mare and called the Broken Leg mare. Mrs. True lived in Corinth, Vt.; is now dead. I will give you the sire of old Pete. He was sired by Young Burbank, 1st; his pedigree you will find on page 319 of Lindsay's Book on Morgan horses. I know all about Old Pete and know he was sired as I say. Old Pete's color was dark chestnut, small size, weight 900 lbs, good action. I will try further to find out the sire of Pete's dam. Pete was a

favorite horse of mine. I had quite a number of his colts; but Pete was never owned in Bradford. My old horse, Vermont, was called Old Pete by a good many and was always owned in Bradford. Should be glad to assist you all in my power and will do so when called on. I don't know of any one in particular that is now interested in Morgan horses; there seems to be a general waking up now for the Morgans. I have a mare 12 years old that has trotted our track in 2:35 but has never bred. She was sired by General Thompson and he by old Ethan Allen out of a mare descendant of old Paddy; her dam was sired by old Ethan out of old Jenny; she by Hale's old Green Mountain; she was the dam of Ethan Allen, 2nd. I should like to breed her to old Lambert; she is half sister to Ethan Allen, 2d.

Truly yours, J. H. PETERS.

[Circular.]

ETHAN ALLEN, 2ND.

This Morgan horse is no doubt the purest bred Morgan now living. He partakes of the three strains of Morgan blood, namely: Woodbury, Sherman and Bulrush. Pedigree as follows: He was sired by Peter's Morgan, Peter's Morgan was sired by Peter's Old Vermont, Peter's Old Vermont was by Old Gifford Morgan, he by Old Woodbury Morgan, he by Old Justin Morgan. Dam of Ethan Allen 2d was raised by Stephen Dow of Woburn, Mass., and sired by Old Ethan Allen out of his old famous Morgan mare Jennie. She was sired by Hale's Old Green Mountain Morgan; her dam was owned by Dr. J. L. Woods of Boston, Mass., and was called Old Phoebe; she was sired by Tom Morgan, he by True Briton, making him a half-brother to Old Justin Morgan. Phoebe's dam was sired by a horse called Nondescript. Pedigree of Peter's Morgan: He was by Old Vermont, he by Old Gifford Morgan, he by Woodbury, he by Old Justin. Dam of Peter's Morgan was by Hunter, Jr., owned by Frank Goldthwait of Newport, N. H., he by F. A. Wiers' Morgan Hunter of Walpole, N. H. Wiers' Hunter was by Old Morgan Gifford, he by Old Woodbury, he by Old Justin Morgan, and the dam of Wiers' Hunter was by Old Morgan Gifford. Dam of Morgan Hunter, Jr., was sired by the old Bean horse, and he by Old Sherman Morgan, he by Old Justin Morgan. Grand-dam of Peter's Morgan was sired by Old General Hibbard, he by Old Woodbury, he by Old Justin Morgan. Great grand-dam of Peter's Morgan was sired by Old Bulrush, he by Justin Morgan. Dam and grand-dam of Peter's Morgan were raised by Welcome Partridge of Crofton, N. H. Peter's Old Vermont was sired by Old Gifford, he by Old Woodbury, he by Old Justin Morgan. Dam of Old Vermont was sired by Hale's Old Green Mountain, he by Old Gifford Morgan, he by Old Woodbury Morgan, he by Old Justin Morgan. The dam of old Morgan horse Vermont and the grand-dam of Ethan Allen 2nd was one and the same mare.

Ethan 2nd was eight years old last season, stands 15 hands high, weight about one thousand pounds, has never been trained for speed, has always been kept for stock purposes, but in his exercise has shown remarkable bursts of speed, and it has been remarked by good judges of horses that his motion was very much like his grand-sire, Old Ethan Allen.

J. H. PETERS & SON, Bradford, Vt., March 2, 1886.

HENRY CLAY, 2:32, AND BLAZING STAR, SIRE OF SLEEPY TOM, 2:28 1/2. FIFTY-RACE TROTTER.

MIDDLEBURY, VT., March 2, 1886.

LYSANDER PELTON, Esq.

Dear Sir:—Something more than a year ago I had an important letter from you that we published recently in our paper, a copy of which I suppose you have received.

I have learned that the horse Henry Clay, also called Acorn, was owned by a man named M. L. Patrick, and trotted at Albany, N. Y., in 1845 in 2:32, winning race. I hope to trace the horse yet to brooder. If I succeed, will let you know.

Now I wish you would give me the following further information: Was it Henry Clay himself that you bought in 1850 at Buffalo, or a son of his? Was the trotting gelding Sleepy Tom (2:28 1/2) sired by Blazing Star, son of Henry Clay, or by Blazing Star, Jr., a son of Blazing Star?

What was the dam of Blazing Star? I want her pedigree and breeder; also pedigree and breeder of her sire. Please help me what further you can, and oblige. Truly yours, JOSEPH BATTLE, GUSTAVUS, TRUMBULL, Co., Ohio, March 9, 1886.

J. BATTLE, Esq.

Dear Sir:—As to your inquiry about the bay gelding Sleepy Tom, record of 2:28 1/2—he was sired by Blazing Star; Blazing Star by old Henry Clay, that I got in Buffalo in 1850. The dam of Blazing Star was sired by a Post Boy stallion that was from old Post Boy, a thorough-bred running horse that was fetched in from the East, I think near Philadelphia, in early days, and he was a good one, and it used to be said that before he came to Ohio he was called Bay Boulton. That I can't vouch for. I was a little boy when he came into Ohio. The dam of Blazing Star was raised some 40 miles from Gustavus, so I never traced her pedigree any further than to know that she was from the Post Boy horse. I used to years ago see the horse and knew him to be from the old Post Boy.

The following poster of Morrill Prince, published in 1886, is furnished by Mr. J. M. Davis: "Pedigree of Morrill Prince. Morrill Prince was sired by the Young Morrill, of Manchester; he was sired by the Morrill Horse, of Danville, Vermont; grand-sire, Jennison Horse; great grand-sire, One Eye; great, great grand-sire, Bulrush; great, great, grand-sire, Justin Morgan.

Dam of Young Morrill, of Manchester, was sired by Sherman Morgan; dam of Morrill Prince was sired by Flint Morgan; Flint, by Sherman; Sherman, by Justin Morgan.

J. M. DAVIS & CO., Parsonsfield, April 25, 1886.

LETTER FROM W. M. DILLS.

Sir:—Your letter and paper received. Do you intend publishing in book form? If so, I want it. If it is to be published in REGISTER only, I want it. I think it well to publish at once and republish as additions are made. The Morgan interest is growing rapidly, and I think there will be much demand for it in Kentucky. Yours, W. M. DILLS, Cynthiana, Ky., April 29, 1886.

HARRY KNOX, LARKIN HORSES, ETC.—MIDDLEBURY, VT., March 4, 1886. POSTMASTER, FARMINGTON, MICH. Dear Sir:—Will you please inform me whether K. Larkin, who formerly lived there, is still living, and, if so, his address? I wish to learn what became of a horse called Franklin Boy, son of Gen. Knox, that Mr. Larkin formerly had. Perhaps you could hand this to some horseman who would reply. Yours truly, JOSEPH BATTLE, FARMINGTON, MICH. S. 1886.

J. BATTLE, Esq.

Dear Sir:—Yours of the 4th inst., just received, handed to me by postmaster; and in reply would say that Mr. K. Larkin died some years ago; also the horse you ask about. The Larkin horse was known by the name of Gen. Knox, Jr. I have a very fine stallion sired by Harry Knox, he by the Larkin horse; color black, 15 1/2 hands high and weighs 1050, very handsome and nice gaited. He took the first premium at the State fair when three years old. The above horse I have just bought. He is six years old this spring.

Yours truly, H. B. DOLBER.

VERMONT PATHFINDER—ROYAL FEARNAUGHT—WESTERN FEARNAUGHT—MORGAN EAGLE, ETC.

LETTER FROM MR. EWERS.

UNION CITY, Mich., March 9, 1886. Editor Register:—Enclosed find pedigrees, Washenaw Chief and Vermont Hero I have not got in full yet. Do you learn anything of the Vermont Pathfinder? Mr. George Sawyer of Newbury, Vt., knew the horse and can assist you in the matter. I would like to learn his breeding, as I think he was a Morgan, and is the sire of a 2:30 performer. We have some Fearnoughts in this state, Royal Fearnought, with two in the thirty list, and Western Fearnought. Have you their pedigrees? I send you catalogue of Remus Pathfinder. Goldfinder you will find in it. Will need some more blanks. There are some other ones of less note, if you wish them.

Yours truly, C. E. EWERS.

UNION CITY, Mich., March 31, 1886. Editor Register:—Enclosed find correspondence from Donelson in regard to Morgan Eagle. The pedigree seems to be a little mixed at present—the sire of Magna Chatta. If we knew where John Henderson brought the horse Morgan Eagle, could learn more about him. Donelson thinks Wallace has the pedigree correct; but still he is liable to be mistaken. He gives it as by Morgan Eagle, son of the original Morgan Eagle of Tumbidge, Vt. Can you trace where young Morgan Eagle went from Vermont? Would like to learn more of this Morgan Eagle. Will you try and get more of this? Do you learn anything of Pathfinder, the sire of Young Father? Perhaps the owners of Father might know more of his sire. He was trotted mostly in Vermont and New Hampshire. Let me hear from you again, as I am very much interested in pedigrees to have them correctly given.

Yours truly, C. E. EWERS.

PONTIAC, Mich., March 22, 1886. C. E. EWERS, Esq.

Dear Sir:—Your request just to hand, Morgan Eagle, the sire of Magna Chatta, was brought to Pontiac, Mich., by a man by the name of John Henderson, and probably Wallace has the breeding about as correct as it will ever be established. Morgan Eagle, "The Henderson horse," was a handsome deep bay without any white (I think); possibly a small star and little white on one hind foot, but I think no white; 15 1/2 high, very toppy. He was subject to spasmodic colic, from an attack of which he died. Mr. John Henderson died ten or twelve years ago.

Yours truly, A. B. DONELSON.

GREEN MOUNTAIN BLACK HAWK.

MIDDLEBURY, VT., March 5, 1886. A. C. FISK, Esq.

Dear Sir:—Will you please inform me where you got, or of whom you got, the horse Green Mountain Black Hawk, afterwards owned by some Dorsey of Kentucky. What Dorsey was this? By whom was this horse bred and what was pedigree of dam, and oblige. Truly yours, J. BATTLE, ANSWER.

Bought him of Mr. Myrick of Vermont, and sold him to E. Dorsey of Kentucky. The same man that raised him, raised his sire, Sherman Black Hawk; dam by Gifford Morgan.

Yours truly, A. C. FISK.

DAM OF MARSHALL CHIEF.

SHOREHAM, April 26, 1886. Editor Register:—Yours received asking for information in regard to Nathaniel Fish, West Haven. I cannot recall anything definite about the mare, but think I can remember of such a mare, also the colt, but don't now remember of whom he had the mare. Should think that Mrs. Nathaniel Fish, mother of Mrs. C. M. King, would remember. If not, I think that Mr. Rodney Field of West Haven would perhaps know more about the mare or of this doctor was of whom you say Mr. Fish purchased the mare.

Yours respectfully, C. C. FORBES.

MIDDLEBURY, VT., April 28, 1886. RODNEY FIELD, Esq., West Haven, Vt.

Dear Sir:—I am trying to find out something about the mare that brought the celebrated horse Marshall Chief. This horse was bred by the late Nathaniel Fish of West Haven, and the dam was a mare that he got of a good many years and which he got of some doctor in Benson. The colt (Marshall Chief) was sired by a son of Vermont Black Hawk, afterwards known as Kilburn's Hero, and was foaled in 1822. If you can tell me who this doctor was that sold the mare to Fish, or anything about the mare, you will oblige. I want to learn what blood she was.

Yours truly, W. H. BLISS.

FAIR HAVEN, VT.

Editor Register:—Dear Sir:—I have waited thus long, hoping to hear from Mrs. Fish. She lives with Mr. C. M. King, her son-in-law, in Benson, Vt., to whom I refer you for information, probably all that can now be got from this quarter. Mr. Fish being dead and the thing so long past I have lost the run of it.

Yours respectfully, RODNEY FIELD.

MORGAN TIGER.

OREGON, DANE CO., Wis., April 14, 1886. Editor Register:—Enclosed herewith I send a copy from the very imperfect his-

tory of my father's old Morgan stallion "Tiger." We have now among our best brood mares several grand-daughters of Tiger. He evidently had superior backing some where, as all stock with the slightest tincture of his blood in their veins show it plainly.

Yours truly, A. O. FOX, PEDIGREE.

Green Mountain Morgan, "Tiger," sire by the celebrated Graves horse, of Ballmore, Windsor Co., Vt.; (he by old Green Mountain Morgan; dam, a pure Morgan mare.) Dam of Tiger was three fourths Morgan and one-fourth Messenger.

Tiger was of beautiful bay color, weighed 1250 lbs.; was dark brown; had heavy muscled and broad clean bone; had very superior style and action; and all the desirable qualities of courage and constitutional vigor, for which the Morgans are so justly celebrated. The style vigor and splendid business qualities of the get of old Tiger are well known among all leading horsemen of Dane Co. Wisconsin. He was 15-3-4 hands high. Died about 17 or 18 years ago.

BLOOD'S BLACK HAWK. July 20, 1886.

JOSEPH BATTLE, Esq.

Dear Sir:—Your inquiry for history and description of Blood's Black Hawk after he came to Kentucky, addressed to B. F. & A. Vanmeter, is just received and just here I must state that A. V. removed to Texas eight or ten years since. Blood's Black Hawk was purchased in the North (I think in Orange county, Vt.) by Mr. Blood of Lexington, Ky., and brought to that city and owned and stood by him in that city for several years. The horse was finally purchased by Maj. H. T. Dunkin of Fayette Co., Ky., who removed him two or three miles from the city and kept him till the horse died.

I will try to make the description of the horse plain but short. He was a very rich brown color, two white ankles and a stripe in his face; scant 15 hands high when standing quiet and out of harness, but when hitched up and driven appeared full 16 hands high and was the finest show horse that I ever saw a line pulled on. Belle Sheridan was his exact color and was as fine a mare as he was a colt. They both received premiums at the fair of Kentucky, until they could show no more.

Very respectfully, B. F. VASMETER.

MAGNET.

MIDDLEBURY, VT., July 16, 1886. J. B. HOWE, Esq., Batavia, Ill.

Dear Sir:—Will you please inform me what became of the bay stallion Magnet bred by you, sired by Woodward's (Cornell's) Ethan Allen? Also what was pedigree of his dam, and oblige. Yours truly, JOSEPH BATTLE, Please furnish this with reply. BATAVIA, July 20, 1886.

MR. J. BATTLE.

Dear Sir:—Yours of the 16th at hand I now own the horse; bought him before he was three years old of George N. Stearns, Blackberry township, Kane Co., Ill., four miles west of this place, who bred him. He is bay, three white feet and white face. I have bred six stallion from him, two from Morgan dams, two dams by Gage's Logan and two with dams by Alexander, son of Alexander's Edwin Forrest. Have several fine fillies.

Yours truly, J. B. HOWE.

Magnet was foaled in 1867; first dam, Nelly by Consternation by imp. Consternation; second dam a Duroc mare owned by B. F. Stearns, Ellingsburg, N. Y.

DAM OF ETHAN ALLEN.

MIDDLEBURY, VT., July 3, 1886. WM. H. BALCOM, Esq.

Dear Sir:—May I try your patience with one more question? Did the gray mare that you owned and gave to Wallace have any bunch (made by a poke) on the neck? or did her neck show any effect of her having worn a poke, and did she wear a poke while you owned her? Did she lie peacefully in the pasture? Please answer on this sheet and oblige.

Yours truly, W. H. BLISS.

ABIGO, Carroll Co., Ill., July 10, 1886.

Dear Sir:—I have no knowledge of the gray mare I used to own, of her having any poke marks about her neck or anything of that kind or sort. Previous to my getting her she ran on the old fort ground, the Pell farm, where there was plenty of pasture—some two or three hundred acres of it, and after I got her I had plenty of pasture, some 35 or 40 acres of it, that she had the run of. She never troubled me in the least. What has it she got into after I let her go I cannot say. Starvation may have made a jumper of her as for anything to the contrary for what I know.

Yours truly, WM. H. BALCOM.

P. S. When I come to think the matter over I think that old man Ira Wallace did move from the northwest bay on the west side of Lake George to near where Warner Cook lived the fall that I gave him the old gray mare. His daughter, Geo. Newton's widow, says that they—Ira Wallace and family—moved to near where Warner Cook lived, probably onto a farm that Cook had possession of. If that was so, probably Joseph Cushman's statement about being present when Wallace sold the old gray mare to Cook was correct, for Joseph Cushman lived in that vicinity at that time. I would like very much to have a minute description of the dam of Ethan Allen and a statement of the true Ethan Allen was foaled. If I had that information I think I could tell whether the mare I used to own was the dam of Ethan Allen or not.

WM. H. BALCOM.

MAGNA CHARTA, JR.

MIDDLEBURY, VT., July 15, 1886. H. H. COBB, Esq., Whitewater, Mich.

Dear Sir:—Can you give address of any one who can furnish pedigree of Williams' Magna Charta, Jr. Please answer on this sheet and oblige. Yours truly, JO