

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 a page 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 2,300 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. This, 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.

ORIGIN OF THE BLUE BULLS.

From Hon. Chas. R. Faulkner of Holton, Ripley Co., Ind., but now in Washington, D. C., we have the following further replies to our questions:

QUESTION: Will you please state of whom you got the stallion that you sold to J. D. English?

ANSWER: I cannot state whom I did get him of; I think of English.

Q. What year did you buy him?

A. I cannot say, unless I was at home to get dates.

Q. By whom and where was he bred?

A. J. D. English took care of him for me. He stood at Dillsborough, Sparta, Moore's Hill and Wilmington, all in Dearborn county, Indiana.

Q. What was his pedigree as far as known?

A. I cannot give his pedigree, only Blue Bull. If you would write to J. D. English, he could give all the information, or Dan, Dorrell.

Q. Was he blind in one eye?

A. He was.

Q. Did he have white legs to knees and hocks, or only white feet?

A. His legs were white to knees.

Q. Did Mr. English keep this horse while you owned him?

A. He did.

Q. Did English have any other stallion at this time?

A. He did not. I sold him another afterwards.

Q. To whom did he sell this stallion that he bought of you and what became of him afterwards?

A. I do not know. If I was at home I might get more dates, but it has been a long time since I have thought anything about him.

Q. What was your stallion's name?

A. Sam.

From the testimony given it appears extremely probable that the great sire of trotters, Wilson's Blue Bull, was a son of this horse once owned by Mr. Faulkner, and that this horse, now known as Pruden's Blue Bull, was bred by Samuel McKean of Morgan township, Butler Co., Ohio, who sold him when young to Solomon Bedinger of Harrison, O.; that Bedinger kept him till about five years old and traded him to his hired man, Michael Little, who took him to Aurora, Ind., and traded him to James D. English, who sold him to Charles R. Faulkner, but still continued to keep and tend him, and after three years brought him back. The horse is easily followed by his peculiar marks, his loss of an eye, and the name "Sam," from the first name of his breeder, as well as by the direct testimony of English, Mr. Faulkner and James K. Pruden. The horse appears to have been foaled about 1844. After English became the second time his owner it appears that he passed through several hands into the possession of James K. Pruden, then of Logan township, Ind., but now of Harrison, Ohio, who got him in 1863, and judged him to be seventeen or eighteen years old. In Pruden's hands the horse was recognized by both Bedinger and Little, who could hardly have been mistaken in the identity of a horse of his peculiar appearance; and that Wilson's Blue Bull was sired by this horse that Pruden owned, known as Pruden's Blue Bull, there seems to be no doubt.

Concerning the pedigree of Pruden's Blue Bull it appears by the statement of Harry Dearmond of Okana, O., and others that he was sired by a horse best known as Merring's Blue Bull, but previously called Ohio Farmer, and, still earlier, Pennsylvania Farmer, and that his dam was bred by Samuel McKean; foaled as early as 1835 and got by a horse called Post Boy, a good horse that came from the north and was kept at "Jenkins' stand" by a man named Randolph Ross. Merring's Blue Bull, according to the statements of E. Otto, of Harrison, Geo. Grovans and Jonathan Hall of Morgan township, O., and Mr. Dearmond, was a large, stout, well-made horse, 16 hands high or over and weighing about 1300 lbs., of gentle disposition, bluish dun in color with black stripe down the back. He had rather a large head, black mane and tail, bald face and either one or two watch eyes; he had no particular speed; there seems to be no evidence that he was a pacer but he got pacers, and his progeny were stout and serviceable horses. He was driven in a four-horse team at Harrison, Ohio, from Pennsylvania, by a man whose name is understood to have been Snively, about 1825, being then about four years old. He was directly bought by John Merring of

Harrison, who kept him four or five years and advertised him under the name of Ohio Farmer, but he was then and ever afterwards known as Blue Bull. Merring sold him to a Mr. Jennison of Harrison, who kept him one year and sold him to Edward Bobb of Morgan township, who kept him two seasons, from whom he passed, probably through the hands of one Doane and perhaps others to William Grisley, who owned him six or seven years and perhaps as long as he lived. The above is given as a fair statement of the results of the investigations thus far, with confidence in its substantial accuracy, but with the expectation that in minor details it will be modified and made more complete by further researches.

Concerning the Pennsylvania origin of Merring's Blue Bull, and the pedigree of this Post Boy horse, we shall have something to say in a future issue.

W. H. BLISS.

MORGAN EAGLE, SIRE OF MAGNA CHARTA.

After much research we were enabled last week to give the authentic history and description of the Morgan Eagle that not the celebrated trotting sire Magna Charta. Correcting the vexatious blunders in dates made by the types last week, this information is as follows:

Morgan Eagle was dark bay horse with white circles below both fetlocks behind, standing 16 hands and weighing 1150 lbs.; foaled in 1839; bred by Abel Warren, Berlin, Washington Co., Vt.; got by Morgan Eagle, sire of Woodbury Morgan (otherwise called the Bulrush Horse), he by Justin Morgan; dam untraced. He was sold young to Philip Farnam of Tunbridge, Vt., former owner of his sire, who kept him till 1847 and sold him to John Henderson of Conesus, Livingston Co., N. Y., in which county he was used as a stock horse until 1852, in April of which year Mr. Henderson took him to Pontiac, Mich., and sold one-half interest in him to Beach G. Whitney of Romeo, Mich. He made the season of 1852 at Pontiac; 1853 at Pontiac, Romeo, Utica and Rochester; 1854 at Pontiac, Utica and Rochester. Mr. Henderson, who was then living in Pontiac, then bought back Mr. Whitney's half interest, and kept the horse at Pontiac until his death sometime between 1860 and 1863.

FEARNAUGHT (2.23 1-4).

[From the American Cultivator.]

During the season of 1858 Mr. G. C. Brown of Stratham, N. H., bred a mare called Jenny to Young Morrill, the result being a chestnut colt, known later in life as Fearnought, whose likeness appears upon another page. Young Morrill, as is well known to most of the Cultivator readers, was a well shaped horse about 15-3/4 hands high, weighing not far from 1150 pounds when in stud condition, bred by Fred Smith, Walden, Vt.; foaled in 1848, got by old Morrill, he by the Jennison colt, son of Young Bulrush, by Bulrush, son of Justin Morgan. The dam of Old Morrill was by the Farrington Horse, he by the Vance Horse, whose breeding is unknown.

In the first volume of "Wallace's Trotting Register," the Vance Horse appears as a son of imported Messenger, but in the fourth volume no such claim is made. Recent investigations by Mr. Joseph Battell and W. H. Bliss, Esq., fail to show that the Farrington Horse possessed a single strain of Messenger blood. The dam of Young Morrill was by the Lock Gosse Horse, son of Sherman Morgan; second dam by Young Bulrush, son of Bulrush Morgan. The Steve French Horse, sire of Fearnought's dam, was by Flint Horse, a son of Sherman Morgan mentioned in Linsley's work as the Flint Horse. Flint Morgan was owned by Mr. John Bellows, who owned Sherman Morgan at the time the latter got Hill's Black Hawk in 1832, and also at the time of the horse's death, which occurred at Mr. Bellows's stable in Lancaster, N. H., in 1835.

Flint Morgan was a chestnut in color and a much larger and more attractive-looking horse than his sire, Sherman Morgan, whose place he took in the stud after the death of that celebrated son of Justin Morgan. Flint Morgan made several seasons in the vicinity of Durham, N. H., and among his patrons was the dam of the celebrated Black Hawk, which produced one or two foals by him. Some years since a story was started to the effect that Fearnought was by a running-bred horse called Wild Irishman. This report is believed by many intelligent horsemen to the present day. The facts have been thoroughly investigated, and it has been proved that Jenny was bred to Young Morrill the season of 1858 and brought a foal in due season the following year.

At the time Fearnought was got, Young Morrill had a record of 2:32 1-2 made on a track in this city, Oct. 26, 1855. Some ten years later, June 23, 1865, this was reduced to 2:31 in a race against the noted trotting mare, Blackstone Belle. The mare took the first heat in 2:34, but was defeated by Young Morrill, which captured the next three in 2:33, 2:31, 2:33. This was the fastest time ever shown by Young Morrill in a race, yet it is claimed that he trotted a trial to saddle in 2:26, and to harness in 2:30.

From the hands of his breeder, Fearnought passed to the ownership of the well-known horseman, B. S. Wright, who had his speed developed and won several races with him, afterward selling him to Col. H. S. Russell, proprietor of Home Farm, Milton, Mass., who kept him until his death, which occurred in

1873. Fearnought's first appearance upon the turf, according to Chester's "Complete Trotting and Pacing Records," was at Boston, May 5, 1865, in a race against George Washington, which was won by the latter in straight heats, best time, 2:38 1-4; but eleven days later he turned the tables on this horse, beating him and Niblo to wagon in short order; time, 2:37 3-4, 2:40 1-2, 2:41 1-2.

His next race was against John Morgan, by Pilot, Jr., and occurred at Boston, June 30, 1865. He defeated Morgan in straight heats; time, 2:33 3-4, 2:34 1-4, 2:34. On Aug. 1, following, he again met John Morgan, and was defeated in 2:32, 2:32, 2:32 1-4, 2:32 1-4. His next engagement was at Concord, N. H., Sept. 6, 1865, in a race against Ticonic and Ethan Allen. The first heat was won by the latter in 2:38, when Fearnought went on and captured the next three in 2:40 3-4, 2:36, 2:39, distancing Ethan Allen in the last heat.

This was his last victory of the season. He started in four other races, however, one at this city, Sept. 25, which was won by Gen. McClellan; another at Fitchburg two days later, which went to Blackstone Belle; the next a five-mile race at Palmer, Oct. 11, 1865, won by Prince in 14:34, and the last to saddle in this city, Nov. 24, following, his competitor being Sorrel Dan. Fearnought won the first heat in 2:34, and finished even with Sorrel Dan in the second, after which he was drawn and the race given to Dan. This was his last defeat, however, save one.

His next appearance was at Boston, Aug. 28, 1866, in a race against Sorrel Dan, or Dan Mace, as he was then called, for \$3000 a side. Both horses went to saddle. Fearnought proving an easy winner, time, 2:29 1-4, 2:29, 2:30. He was then matched to saddle against John Morgan for \$1000 a side, and on the 18th of September following, defeated this noted son of Pilot Jr. with greater ease than he won over Dan Mace, the time being 2:32 1-2, 2:30 1-2, 2:34 1-2. His next appearance was at Providence, R. I., July 14, 1868, where he won a purse of \$1050, beating Darkness and Old Put to wagon in straight heats; time, 2:31 1-2, 2:28, 2:30 1-2. His next contest was at Boston, Nov. 15, 1867, in a race to wagens against George Wilkes for \$2500 a side, in which Wilkes proved the winner, taking three straight heats in 2:31 3-4, 2:32 1-2, 2:33 1-2.

The crowning event of his life was his victory at Buffalo, N. Y., July 29, 1868, where he won first money in a purse of \$10,000. His competitors were George Palmer, which afterward got a record of 2:10 1-4; Col. Maynard, afterward known as Hotspur (2:24); American Girl, which later in life made a mark of 2:16 1-2; J. J. Bradley (2:25 1-2); Myron Perry, the greatest son of Young Columbus, Victor Hugo and Molly. On this occasion Fearnought was piloted by the master reinsman, Dan Mace, whose skill as a driver has never been surpassed. The first heat was taken by Fearnought in 2:23 1-4, which at that time had never been equaled by any trotting stallion. George Palmer won the second heat in 2:28, and Fearnought the next two in 2:24 3-4, 2:20 1-4, with Victor Hugo and Molly distanced.

This was Fearnought's last appearance upon the turf. His success in this memorable race, together with his remarkable beauty, elegant style and superior road qualities, gave him a popularity far superior to that of any stallion which had ever stood in New England. In the show ring he was quite as successful as upon the turf. His last victory as a prize winner was at the New England Fair of 1872, where he received the first premiums and gold medal offered for the best horse form. His death occurred at Home Farm, Milton, in 1873. During the last few years of his life Fearnought's service fee was \$250.

Among his get which have acquired distinction upon the turf are Argonaut (2:23 3-4), Galatea (2:24 3-4), Fearnought Jr. (2:26), Gray Nose (to wagon 2:31 1-2), Western Fearnought (formerly Minoken Boy, 2:32 1-2), Bay Fearnought (B. S. Wright 2:37), Fearless (2:38 1-2) and Andover Fearnought (2:50). Galatea was the first four-year-old to make a record of 2:25 1-2, and was much faster than her record indicates. Her trainer and driver, Mr. Augustus H. Dore, states that he has driven her quarters over a slow half-mile track in thirty-three seconds, and a full mile considerably faster than her present record. Fearnought Jr. could also speed a much faster clip than the general public realized, as is well known to many of those who witnessed his trials before meeting with the mishap that rendered him unfit for turf purposes.

Some idea of the popularity of the Fearnought stock when at its height may be gained from the fact that at the second annual sale held by Col. Russell, sixteen yearlings were struck off under the hammer for \$13,955, an average exceeding \$872 per head. One of the secrets of the high prices realized for these youngsters was their remarkable beauty and symmetry of form. Neat, bony heads, full, intelligent eyes, sharp, well-set ears, clean-cut throats, arching necks, sloping shoulders, round barrels, short backs, broad loins, smooth couplings, round-turned hips, handsome croups, well-muscled quarters, long, broad forearms, low-set, clean-cut hocks and short cannons. These were distinguishing characteristics of the Fearnought family, nearly all of which, like the best representatives of all branches of the Morgan family, were free-spirited drivers and capital roadsters.

After the death of Fearnought, Col. Russell bought the world-renowned Smuggler, which so long held the proud position of king of trotting stallions, with his mark of 2:15 1-4, but to this day the proprietor of Home Farm claims that Fearnought was the best horse he ever owned.

Among the sons of Fearnought, whose offspring have contested successfully for turf honors are Fearnought, Jr., sire of Pemberton (2:29 1-2), Sontag (2:31 3-4), the pacer Benny (2:18 1-2) and the dam of Tom Rolfe (2:22 3-4); Prince Fearnought, sire of Parole (2:26 1-2); Royal Fearnought, sire of Gladys (2:23) and St. Elmo (2:30), and Western Fearnought, sire of Prince Arthur (2:18) and Lady Brownelle (2:25 3-4). The most prominent members of the Fearnought family now upon the turf are the trotters Prince Fearnought (2:18), Gladys (2:23), which is winning high honors in a foreign country, St. Elmo (2:30) and the pacer Benny (2:18 1-2).

The get of Joe Irving, a grandson of Fearnought, are also attracting the attention of horsemen by their speed. Joe Irving was by a small horse formerly owned by Mr. B. D. Whitcomb of this city, well known to his owners throughout the country as the breeder of Hopeful (2:14 3-4). This horse was known as Whitcomb's Fearnought. He was by Col. Russell's Fearnought, dam by Ethan Allen, and, if we remember correctly, cost Mr. Whitcomb \$500, when a weanling. He was kept too still while growing, and when matured was not only very small but failed to show speed enough for a fair road gait. He was traded by Mr. Whitcomb to Mr. Waldo T. Pierce, then of Bangor, Me., and finally gelded. He was bred to a few mares, however, early in life, and left some seventeen foals, five of which showed trials in 2:30 or better, and were capital road horses but too hot-headed for successful turf performers.

One of the mares bred to him was a daughter of Gen. Knox, the produce being a colt called Joe Irving, owned at one time by Mr. Brackett of Pittsfield, Me., the present owner of Harbinger. Joe Irving was kept for stock purposes a short time, getting a few foals, and was then gelded. His produce have shown a remarkable inclination to trot. Among those which have already acquired records are Black Rock, which won a five-hundred race at Unity, Me., Sept. 29, 1885, taking the last two heats in 2:31. Black Amble, another of Joe Irving's get, won several races in Maine last fall, getting a record of 2:30 1-4 at Fairfield, Me., where he won a race Sept. 16, 1885, being then in his four-year-old form. Kitty P., also by Joe Irving, won a race at Fairfield, Me., Aug. 14, 1885, getting a record of 2:34 1-4 in the fifth heat. At Albion, Me., Oct. 10, 1885, Castledare, by Joe Irving, won a race, getting a record of 2:42 3-4. Eastern Queen, also by Joe Irving, is credited with a record of 2:45.

At least two of the above could have beaten 2:30 last season, and much regret is expressed by those who know the stock at the fate of this horse which proved such a success as a sire. The Fearnoughts appear to be gaining ground in the West, and still have many friends among Eastern breeders.

ZILCAADI GOLDDUST AND GET. STANDARD BEARER, 2:20 3-4.

MIDDLEBURY, Vt., Aug. 19, 1886.

Editor Register:—Zilcaadi Golddust has made a most successful season, serving seventy-one mares, which shows that he is gaining rapidly in public opinion. His colts that are being handled are doing remarkably well. The bay filly Estelle, a three-year-old, trotted a full mile on a three-fourth mile track in 2:33; last half, 1:15 1-2. Bay colt Cleveland, same age, trotted same track in 2:38; last half, 1:17 1-4; while the brown two-year-old filly Corinne has shown quarter in 40 seconds. My sucking colts are as follows and are the best lot I ever raised: Chestnut colt, dam Gauze by Green Mountain Black Hawk, second dam by Imp. Glencoe; chestnut colt, dam Kittle B., by Rolla Golddust, Jr. (full brother to Rolla Golddust, 2:21); second dam (full sister to Rosa Golddust, 2:32) by Golddust; chestnut filly, dam Edmonia by Okado, second dam Eloise by Golddust; chestnut colt, dam Miss Scott by Arabian Golddust, second dam by American System; bay colt, dam Mollie by Peacock, second dam, thoroughbred; chestnut colt, dam Victoria by Jefferson Manbrino, second dam by Norman Temple, Jr. This colt was foaled May 22, 1886, and is sold to Ventress Bros., Woodlake, Miss., for \$250 at weaning time.

You can credit another one of Golddust's sons with a 2:30 performer, viz.: Standard Bearer, ch. h., by Forrest Golddust, dam by Comet Morgan, won the 2:33 trot at Emporia, Kansas, July 7; time, 2:30 1-4, 2:29 3-4, 2:30 1-4. Nelly Woods, ch. m., by Emerson Golddust, was second in the first heat. Forrest Golddust was a fast horse, having trotting trial in 2:22 1-4. His dam, Dark by Edwin Forrest, is also the dam of Gen. Smith's Marmion Golddust.

Yours truly, L. L. DORSEY.

THE VERMONT ASSOCIATION OF ROAD AND TROTTING HORSE BREEDERS.

This association holds its second annual meeting at Rutland, Sept. 8, 9 and 10. This promises to be the largest and best exhibition of fine and high-bred horses ever shown in Vermont, and will include all the distinguished stallions of the region with their get. There will be a variety of contests of speed, four being colt races, one to wagens, four and five-year-olds; race for stallions; and

race for mares and stallions; and a special purse of \$600, which will be trotted for by some of the noted flyers of the day. The object of this association is to improve the breed of road and trotting horses, the production of which ranks among the present leading industries of the State.

MCKESSON'S GRAY EAGLE.

A correspondent of Dunton's Spirit of the Turf who signs himself "Badger Boy" writes to that journal as follows: "As I have received letters inquiring for information about Gray Eagle, the sire of Charley Ford 2:16 3-4, I will take the liberty to answer through Dunton's Spirit of the Turf, so that all as well as one may know his breeding. Gray Eagle was sired by Coman's Gray Eagle, by Hill's Black Hawk. His dam Lady Potter, by Signal, by Rob Roy. Signal, the sire of Prussian Maid (pacer), 2:19; Carrie T. (pacer), 2:20 1-2, and others. His 3d dam was a mare brought through from the State of New York about the year 1845, led through as a yearling behind an emigrant wagon. As the man struck Wisconsin he was 'dead broke,' with nothing but his team and this filly. He offered to sell her for the sake of getting money, saying that if he was at the end of his journey he had rather have her than his team, as she was one of the best bred Messenger mares in the State of New York. Jonathan Potter, of Elkhorn, Walworth Co., Wis., got the mare. She was a 'dear-bitten' gray, of about 1100 lbs., round barrelled, head and neck like a thoroughbred, with game, nerve and bottom enough to carry a man to the end of the road; and died with the horse distemper when she was 27 years old, without a scratch, bunch or pimple on her. She was the dam of the gray Shoemaker, which was the best horse in the State of Wisconsin in her day, and could trot in about 2:40. This was about thirty years ago, when there was no Jaxy-Eye-Sees. She was also the dam of Rattler that was matched against a pacing mare at Springfield, Ill., and won his race and trotted in 2:40 as a 5-year-old, and through improper care after this race, caught cold and died of inflammation of the lungs. This colt was sired by Signal, being own brother to the dam of Gray Eagle. She was also the dam of Geo. B. Mac, which trotted his three miles in ten minutes, right off the farm, and was sold for \$900 in Albany, N. Y., for a gentleman's roadster. I will not take time to name all of her produce, as she raised sixteen foals, and all sold for a high figure, either as trotters or roadsters. Eagle's dam was double gaited; he being the sire of Charley Ford 2:16 1-2, trial 2:12 1-2, and as good a campaigner as ever went through the big circuit. Gen. Mac, who trotted in 2:22 and sold for a gentleman's driver for \$5,000; Transit, formerly Miraculous-Tom that showed trials in 2:24 1-2 and quarter in 3:4; Charles W., with a record of 2:29 1-4 and Lady Francis, that was taken right off the plow at 16 years old, and won the 2:50 class at the Walworth County fair in 2:46. He also sired the dams of Prince 2:21 1-4, Moody 2:23 1-4 and Roy Manbrino, which they say is trotting fast. I could name many more that are waiting an opportunity to drop into the charmed circle of 2:30.

Yours truly, W. M. LITTELL.

SUNDRY LETTERS.

SAMPLE'S BLACK HAWK, ILLINOIS BLACK HAWK AND BILLY RIX MORGAN.

CORYDON, IOWA, May 8, 1886.

Editor Register:—Enclosed I send you pedigree of Illinois Black Hawk as complete as I can. Billy Rix Morgan was brought from Vermont to Bloomington, Ill., about the year 1857 by Matthew Rix. The horse died at Bloomington, Ill., Levi Matthews of Tremont, Ill., may be able to throw some light on Billy Rix's pedigree. The best I can give is that he came from the neighborhood of Middlebury, Vt. Mr. Matthews of Bloomington, Ill., would give more definite information, but I can't give his first name. In regard to Sample's Black Hawk I enclose a letter which I consider fair evidence.

Yours, W. M. LITTELL.

PEDIGREE, ILLINOIS BLACK HAWK.

Bl. h., no marks, 15 hands, 975 lbs.; foaled 1863; bred by Nathaniel Brown, Morton, Ill.; now of Peoria, Ill.; sired by Sample's Black Hawk, son of Vermont Black Hawk; dam, Black Doll, sired by Mr. Wilson, Washington, Ill.; bred by Billy the Stranger; second dam by Truxton. He was always owned by his breeder and stood at Morton, Ill., till 1883, and from that time in Wayne county, Iowa, till his death in February, 1884. He was a natural trotter, but was never trained.

[Furnished by Eugene Brown.]

SYRACUSE, N.H., Feb. 3, 1886.

W. M. LITTELL. Dear Sir:—In reply to yours of the 26th would say that the name of the horse was Sample's Black Hawk, owned by Col. Sample, St. Louis, Mo., who has been dead several years. Mr. D. W. Eaton, a prominent stock breeder of this place, who formerly lived near St. Louis, knew the horse well. Col. Sample owned two Morgans which he brought from the East about 1858, one a black, Sample's Black Hawk, and the other one sorrel, Mr. Eaton says they were both very fine horses and that Mr. S. paid a high price for them.

When Uncle Nat was out here he had a conversation with Mr. Eaton which established the identity of the horse, and the next summer I wrote to A. J. Coleman, St. Louis, for his pedigree, but no reply. Mr. Eaton then wrote to a friend there, who replied that he could find no trace. Mr. Eaton said that there was no doubt but that the pedigrees were among the papers belonging to Col. Sample's estate filed in the county house, and that a careful search would find them, but the easiest way would be to write to the librarian of the Mercantile Library, St. Louis, and have him look over the files, which are kept, of the St. Louis Republican for 1858; that Col. Sample advertised the horses for service in his paper at the time named.

Yours truly, JAMES M. SPENCER.

GREEN MOUNTAIN BANNER.

SIRE OF LADY FIFTHARD, 2:21; VICTOR CAN, 2:25, ETC.

STOCKBRIDGE, Vt., March 8, 1885.

Editor Register:—Yours received. Would say he was a dark bay horse with star in forehead; stood fifteen and one-half hands high; weighed 1000 pound. He was sired by Black Banner, he by Hill's Black Hawk. His dam's pedigree is unknown; she came from Long Island. If you wish further information you can get it from Lewis Barlow, Brandon. Yours truly, L. B. BIRD.

[Mr. Bird was the owner of Green Mountain Banner.—ED. REGISTER.]

BAY STATE MORGAN.

BURLINGTON, IOWA, July 26, 1886.

MR. J. BATELL.

Dear Sir:—Yours of the 15th received some days since, but have neglected to answer on account of being very busy. The sire of the dam of J. J. was Bay State Morgan, he by Hale's Green Mountain Morgan and owned by C. A. Drew of New Boston, Ill. Yours truly, IOWA J. SMITH.

RED WING, MINN., July 25, 1886.

MR. JOSEPH BATELL.

Dear Sir:—Your letter has been handed me to answer. The horse Badger was owned by me from 1868 to 1871. He was sired by a horse owned near Monroe, Wisconsin, called Badger also. This horse was not traced back to my knowledge. Badger's dam was a thoroughbred running mare that came from Berea, Ohio, but pedigree not traced. Badger was the sire of Red Wing who was raised in this county and developed by me and given his record of 2:30 and sold to Mr. Gilbert Dutcher of St. Paul, who took him to Chicago, got him a record of 2:31 1-2 and sold him to A. W. Richmond, who sold him to Dun Walton of New York city, where he died. His dam was a well-bred mare, but pedigree not fully established. Badger was undoubtedly of Black Hawk descent. As I came from Montpelier, Vt., and lived in Brandon in 1852, '53 and '54, I know something of this stock of horse and I satisfied myself that Badger was Black Hawk with thoroughbred dam. Yours truly, W. F. CROSS.

REYNOLDS' BLACK HAWK. GREENWOOD, D. T., July 22, 1886.

Sir:—Your favor of 13th inst. to my father has been handed me for answer. The B. S. Devonian was purchased by us of Lucius Salisbury of Salisbury, Mo., about 1870, being then three years of age; consideration, \$800. Judge Salisbury owned his dam, a daughter of Reynolds' Black Hawk, and can doubtless furnish you a history of her sire, as know nothing of the horse personally. Respectfully, STEPHEN KINNEY.

BASSETT'S STOCKBRIDGE CHIEF, JR. MIDDLEBURY, Vt., July 17, 1886.

J. C. HASBROUCK, Esq., Stonebridge, N. Y.

Dear Sir:—Can you give, or furnish address of any one who can give pedigree of Bassett's Stockbridge Chief, Jr? Please return this with reply and oblige. Yours truly, JOSEPH BATELL.

I think you can get the desired information of M. D. Perrin, Kingston, Ulster Co., N. Y. Yours truly, J. C. HASBROUCK.

HARRY LATHROP, SIRE OF HENRY, 2:20 1-4. MIDDLEBURY, Vt., July 15, 1886.

JAMES SPENCER, Esq., Dowagiac, Mich.

Dear Sir:—Can you give me the address of any person who can furnish pedigree of the stallion Harry Lathrop which sired the bay gelding Henry, bred by you in 1860, and oblige. Yours truly, JOSEPH BATELL.

Please return this letter with reply. TOPEKA, Kan., July 22, 1886.

My Dear Sir:—The horse Harry Lathrop was taken to the Kalamazoo Horse Fair in Michigan at the time Flora Temple made her remarkable time there, and took the premium as the best four-year-old stallion. Harry Lathrop of Jackson, Michigan, was his owner; raised him and took him to Kalamazoo. Soon after the fair Harry Lathrop sold the horse and he shortly after fell into the hands of my brother, then of Eaton county, Michigan, from whom I got him. Mr. Lathrop was then a farmer and horseman of some note in Jackson, having a fine farm and a quantity of live stock. I was a boy at the time, or rather a young man, but remember him quite well. The horse, Henry—or Geiden—was out of this horse Harry Lathrop, which I owned, by a mare also got from my brother and was said to have been brought from Canada. Mr. Lathrop is probably long since dead, but he was a prominent citizen in Jackson, Michigan, at the time and for many years preceding. By writing to some one there you may be able to get the information desired. Yours truly, JAMES M. SPENCER.

—Over the desert: "I hear you are going to be married, Mr. Skimpole?" "Yaas, oh yaas." "I do so hope you will be happy." "Cawn't help it, don't chaw know. Her gov'nor's worth a mint, don't chaw know and she's the only one."

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