

Horse Department.

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JOSEPH BATELL, Middlebury, Vt.

KELLOGG'S HIGHLANDER.

Editor of the Register:—In your issue of April 3, 1891, page 6, you say, "Randolph Huntington says Uncle Tom Kellogg called his Highlander horse Sherman Morgan" (?)

It is a mistake; I never said so. As the Middlebury REGISTER has a large and wide-spread circulation, I am sorry you have made such a mistake in connection with my name. Will you do me the kindness to publish what I did say in print, six, ten, 15 and 20 years ago, about Kellogg's horse Highlander, while contending for the true breeding of the dams of Geo. Wilkes.

As the Middlebury REGISTER has been long working to establish truth in the matter of horse pedigrees, I will write out in full what I caused to be published 20 years ago.

Late in the 60's an ex-tramp preacher out in Iowa put out an abortion of a stud book; a mixed-up mess of pedigrees of thoroughbred horses and trotting horses. I saw the book, and was amused at the ignorance of horses and of breedings by the compiler, although I remarked that the man who put out the book could be assisted to make such a work of some value, I thought.

Another remark I made at the time (1871) was that a Trotting Stud Book should be classified into families; suggesting that all Clay horses should be bred to their own blood in order to be eligible to registry, and so with all other recognized names, as the Morgan, the Stars, Mambrino Chiefs and so-called Hambletonians, each name pure to its own blood, making blood the standard. The attempt to embody all the horses in this great land in one book would certainly prove a gold mine to the one who owned the copyright, but would in the end ruin financially all who might be deceived by such registry. These public opinions were met with ridicule and malice.

However, I presumed to write to this man Wallace, at Muscatine, Iowa, pointing out to him serious errors in pedigrees of valuable stock-horses, among them Geo. Wilkes. He had him recorded as from a grand-daughter of imported Messenger; and so with other then more important horses, the breedings as recorded were wrong. I continued to reply to his letters, urging him to correct his mistakes, until in 1873, when I judged from his letters that his sole object was the money he could get for registry and the sale of his book.

He was not a horse-man, and knew nothing of breeding; hence entirely unfitted for such an important national undertaking.

In 1874 he put out a second volume of his stud book, and, as in the case of the Morgan prophet, Jas. Smith's, gold bible, every man to register or to buy a book was liable to become a proselyte to his ignorant methods.

In vol. No. 2 the breedings of the dams of Geo. Wilkes were changed from a granddaughter of Messenger to a Mambrino mare.

I had found that nothing could be done to correct the Wallace deceptions, so wrote up the true breedings of the dams of Geo. Wilkes in manuscript form for three papers, sending them so that they appeared almost simultaneously in the Turf, Field & Farm, the Spirit of the Turf and in a California paper.

This caused Wallace to correct his errors made in volumes I and II, by semi-copy of my statements into his third volume.

The direct dam of Geo. Wilkes was by Henry Clay; and she was bred and raised in the town of Bristol, Ontario Co., N. Y., near where I got my wife, and where I knew near every farm and farmer of the township. The second dam of Geo. Wilkes was a Morgan mare called a Highlander. At this, my first writing, I did not explain why called Highlander; and the prejudice against Clay was so very great that most horse writers jumped the direct Clay dam of Geo. Wilkes to make the blood of imported thoroughbred Highlander the one cause of super-excellence in Geo. Wilkes as a trotter and sire. I then wrote in full of Highlander, as I will now do.

Thomas H. Kellogg was born at Sheffield, Mass., in 1773. In the early 1800 he moved to East Bloomfield, Ontario Co., N. Y., where he bought a large farm. East Bloomfield was then, as it is today, one of the healthiest and most beautiful farming countries in the United States. It is eight miles directly west of Canandaigua. In those early

days Canandaigua was a low, swampy place, hence emigration from the East mostly settled at Bloomfield, through which the great State staging route lay, over which six and eight six-horse stage coaches passed daily each way, besides constant trains of emigrants and inspectors through, beyond Ontario and Livingston counties, to Monroe and Genesee counties and on to New Hartford in Ohio to settle. East Bloomfield was a famous resting-point for change of horses. Every two miles from there to Canandaigua was a stage house; and to accommodate the travelers two State roads were built, two miles apart, between Bloomfield and Canandaigua; also a third one from Canandaigua through the town of Bristol, eight miles south-by-east from Bloomfield, continuing a parallel line west through Baptist's Hill and Allen's Hill on to Genesee, all of which were tributary to Bloomfield.

These towns were settled by the very best of people from Connecticut and Massachusetts, with now and then a family from Eastern New York and from Rhode Island. They were thoroughbred Americans; and without depreciating my countrymen of today, I will say that as I remember these old men and women, we of this generation are much their inferiors. Old men of 70, 80 and 90 in the years of 1847 to 1857 were physical and intellectual giants, retaining their strong manhood, which demanded respect from all who spoke to them. These men had remained boys until of age, respectful to their elders, which made them all the stronger men at ripe maturity. As I turn to the records of the pioneer settlers of Ontario county the names are of the best of New England, prominent in those days in all good works, and their descendants, both men and women, are among the most able of America's best in 1891; and I was fortunate enough to secure one of their daughters for a wife near 40 years ago.

Thomas H. Kellogg I knew very well, as I did his son, now a man near 80; and his youngest daughter was for a time in my family. I am particular in all these side matters that the reader may rest assured I know what I say regarding Kellogg's Highlander.

Colonel Edward Sawyer, a leading man at Canandaigua, married Thomas H. Kellogg's sister. Col. Sawyer was a militia colonel in the war of 1812, Canandaigua being headquarters. Both Sawyer and Kellogg were great horse-men; Kellogg a farmer and breeder, also a trader. Sawyer was a saddler, harness-maker, military man and interested in government matters. The demand for horses was great, both for government use and staging; and in no country save Long Island did they grow such good horses and so cheaply as in Ontario and Livingston counties, N. Y. Every year or two Mr. Kellogg would take a drove of horses, tied two and two to a cable rope, to Albany, New York city or to Boston and Providence. The very best of mares and stallions were brought from Long Island, Boston and Providence to East Bloomfield, Bristol and Canandaigua, while the Virginians and Marylanders who had settled in Livingston county, joining Ontario, brought the best from those two States to Genesee, 28 miles from Bloomfield. In 1818, Job Loomis brought to East Bloomfield the brown horse Nimrod by imported Nimrod, and Thos. H. Kellogg brought from Providence, Rhode Island, the bay horse Bold Richmond by a Morgan horse from a Narragansett pacing mare. In April, 1822, Edward (or Piper) Reynolds brought the gray horse Bush Messenger and later Mr. Isham brought to Bristol old blind Paymaster, (the famous Paymaster of Long Island birth). Mr. Kellogg now goes to Boston and returns with a very handsome bay horse, called Sherman Morgan. He was small, but carried his head and tail high in the air after the style of the Arab, or the Anglo-Arab Morgan horse.

Colonel Sawyer, not to be beaten, goes to Philadelphia and buys the horse Young Messenger, known as the best son of imported Messenger, and which horse became famous as a parade saddle at general muster trainings. Does the reader of this article think we have better horses today than they had in Ontario county of western New York from 1812 to 1850? I reply that the men of the days of which I am writing would not take as a gift our Wallace time standard registered horses of today. How do you think the sverage Hambletonian and Mambrino Chief horses would appear ridden by officers at the annual militia (military) parades?

Well, here stood, four miles apart, a son of imported Nimrod, two sons of imported Messenger, the famous old Paymaster, Bold Richmond and Sherman Morgan. Western New York horses had a reputation in the East second to none.

In 1828 Colonel Edward Sawyer was the man to arrest Morgan in a store at Canandaigua, and place him in their jail with the charge of theft. This was the beginning of the noted Morgan Masonic abduction case. Sawyer had long held government and stage company contracts for harness, saddles and all goods in that line. No man was more looked up to than Col. Sawyer. All the minute particulars relating to that scandal I am familiar with. Sawyer lost caste and property; indeed, public opinion cursed him. His horse Young Messenger, which had been the king stallion over all, fell under the cloud; and Sawyer changed his name to DeFrance, as he himself defied a people. His brother-in-law, Thos. H. Kellogg, was waited upon [Continued on 7th page.]

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HALL & SKINNER, Orwell, Vt., Feb. 10, 1891. 6:tf

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