

Horse Department.

THE MORGAN REGISTER.

A Register intended to include all stallions of merit that trace in direct male line to Justin Morgan and having at least one sixty-fourth of his blood. All such stallions foaled in or before 1880 are admitted free. A fee of one dollar is charged for registering each stallion foaled since 1880, and for each mare whenever foaled. All mares are eligible that have the descent and inheritance above prescribed for stallions. The first volume, the final sheets of which are now being revised for the press, will contain about four thousand pedigrees, carefully compiled from original sources, a sketch of the origin and history of the great Morgan family, and much other new and original matter. The book will be illustrated with portraits of Morgan horses, and handsomely and substantially bound. The price is not yet fixed, but will be as low as can be afforded, so that the work may be widely distributed. The work has been done throughout on the plan of first examining all practicable means of getting and verifying information, describing rigidly between what is known and what is unknown, and setting down nothing as ascertained which is in doubt. Sources of information will be given in each pedigree so that every reader can verify the work for himself. Full descriptions of the animals registered will be given, and tables showing the merits of the Morgans, as compared with other families, for both speed and endurance on the track, will be included. Entries and blank forms for a short time further, and blanks furnished on application. Address: JOSEPH BATELL, Middlebury, Vt.

THE BREEDERS' CONVENTION.

MR. WALLACE STEPS DOWN AND OUT. On the 21st of March last, the National Association of Trotting Horse Breeders issued a call to the different breeders' associations throughout the country, requesting each to send two members to a meeting to be held at Chicago on the 22d of April. "For the purpose of conferring with and advising them relative to a plan for organizing this association upon a basis that will commend it to the breeders of the entire country, and secure for it their co-operation and loyal support." The call arose from a difference of opinion between Mr. Wallace and the board of censors. The meeting was held pursuant to the call and proceeded to organize, under the laws of Illinois, a corporation under the name of The American Trotting Register Association, with a capital stock of \$150,000, divided into 1500 shares of \$100 each, no one person to own more than fifty shares. The new corporation then purchased of John H. Wallace the entire plant of the American Trotting Register, Monthly and Year Book (as we understand the reports) for the sum of \$130,000. A board of twenty-four directors of the company was chosen, Col. G. W. Hooker being one of the board. Vermont was represented at the convention by Col. F. H. Farrington, secretary of the Vermont Horse Breeders' association, and Chas. A. Chapman, Esq., of Ferrisburgh. The price paid for the Wallace plant was doubtless much more than it was worth, but the breeders at large are to be congratulated that it was purchased. We deem this move a long step in the direction of straight pedigrees and honest work. Probably no compilation that ever attained any respectable position, in like circumstances, was ever so honey-combed with errors as the American Trotting Register. It was impossible, too, that it should ever be improved in this regard as long as the late compiler was in office, as he was so identified with the leading errors as to feel bound to defend them, and has in fact stood by the false with as much zeal as the true. Instead of the independence and fairness that ought above all things to characterize a man in that position, he was a man with a hobby, in the defence of which he has always been bigoted and cranky in the extreme. We now trust that the business will be in hands where it will be run on business principles—that it will be managed by those who will realize that to ascertain and record the truth is the only valuable office of a register, and that in so far as a register contains what is false, it is worse than no register at all. Whether the present system of "standard" registration will be continued or not, we do not know, but presume it is safe to predict that it will, for a time at least, either under the present rules or some modification of them. We have never been among those who have looked for the highest results from breeding upon the system that underlies the standard; a system that has no ultimate criterion save the ability, either in the animal or his relations, to trot a mile in 2:30 or better. It seems to us to be an anomalous system, and one that is not sanctioned by the successful experience of the world. It is not quite consistent with itself in this, that after making this speed capacity the sole qualification, it does not require the animal to have the speed himself, or to have demonstrated the capacity to produce it in his offspring, in order to be "standard;" so that, as we have often remarked, it is possible to go on breeding generation after generation of standard horses and mares with no actual trotting speed, and that without ever returning to two-thirty capacity for sire or dam—so far as the system goes, a standard colt might be foaled that did not have in the line of his ancestry a two-thirty trotter for twenty generations. But even if it were consistent, and did indeed as in theory rest upon speed capacity, it has seemed to us to be on too artificial a basis for the highest success. It is certainly open to the objection of selecting one desirable quality alone for cultivation, at the expense of all others. But the main objection in the minds of thoughtful breeders, we believe to be that this system of breeding fails to produce a type. We are inclined to think that the road to success in breeding lies through an intelligent attempt to breed a type. This cannot be done by selecting any one quality and following that to its ultimatum. The perfect horse will never be evolved by breeding for one quality alone. In the history of the world it has

always appeared that the highest results have been produced by selecting individuals of a given blood with the intent to produce a type characteristic of all that is best in what has been selected. Perhaps no better test of these two systems of breeding could be presented than what is now before the public in the so-called "standard" and the Morgan family as it will stand in the Register now about to be published. We believe in producing by breeding a perfect horse; this of course must include not only the highest speed but also all other qualities, such as beauty, style, endurance, disposition, intelligence and docility that go to make the most perfect servant of man. Without assuming to have any superior light in this matter we have thought that the selection of individuals of a given blood that should combine these qualities in the highest degree that we have known would be more apt to produce the horse we desire than to breed in the standard lines above suggested. The Morgan Register has been established on the principles last above indicated. We hope by selection of the best individuals to produce in all respects the best horse; meaning by that the best horse in the sense of the best servant of man. We believe that the best horse will be the fastest horse, but we do not intend to sacrifice all other qualities to the quality of speed. We shall await results without prejudice, although we do not believe that the past successes of breeding, in the world's history, all of which so far as we know are based upon blood, come from accident, or from any cause, except the unyielding force of eternal law.

EARLY ADVERTISEMENTS, ETC.

From the New Hampshire Patriot at Concord, vol. 1, 1809:

Young Herod, chestnut with star, sired by Bold Hero of Philadelphia, dam owned by N. Brown of Portsmouth, Sam Willey.

Hamel Bashaw by Dey of Algiers, imported by Col. James Swan in 1800; dam, an Arab mare imported at the same time. At Concord, John Odlin.

Peace-maker at Hopkinton; full-blooded, 17 hands, foaled 1799; imported from Barbadoes to Pennsylvania.

1810—Hamel Bashaw.

Young Eagle at Dunbarton and London. S. Clement, A. Messer.

Young Herod.

Young Fearnot, foaled 1806, 16 hands, M. Richardson.

Young Bajazet, imported from England by Col. Ramsay of Connecticut and lately owned by John Prentice of Londonderry; in Weare. John Melvin.

1813—Hunter, in Deering, Henniker and Hillsboro; bred in New York out of the fleet race of horses; 16 hands, bay, N. Jones.

Bulrock, formerly owned by Shubael and James Converse, Randolph, Vt., in Andover and Salisbury; foaled 1805. B. Thompson, Jr. Highly recommended by John French, Joseph Edson of Randolph and others.

1814—Hunter, formerly known by the name of the Pattee Horse, 15-2. John Moloney, Northfield.

Young Quicksilver, dark bay, 16 hands, sired by the imported horse Quicksilver, owned by Gen. Bellows of Walpole. T. Wallace, Goffstown.

Young Robin at London, Pittsfield, Pembroke and Canterbury. Wm. St. Clair, 1814.

Bulrock and Telescope, the last bay, 16 hands, star and one white foot. B. Thompson, Andover.

Mercury. Stephen Gale, Conway.

1825—Young Leopard.

Young Herod, red, 16 hands, foaled 1818. J. Eastman, Concord.

Young Bulrock. N. Haynes, Epsom.

Royal George. Allen Hackett, Canterbury.

Young New York Prince, black, D. Little, Hempstead.

Young Royal George by the noted Royal George imported from England; dam, Dutch, from New York.

1826—Young Hero.

1815—The Peeler, English, foaled 1810, 16 hands. D. Sprague, Bedford.

Black Prince, by Black Prince imported by Col. Wadsworth, Kilburn and Ramsley in 1797; dam, the Bissell mare of East Windsor, Conn., very noted. Owned since 1808 in Walpole by Bellows, etc.

Young Quicksilver, foaled 1809, bay, black points, full 15 hands. T. Wallace, Goffstown.

Bulrock.

Telescope, known in Croyden as Young slender and formerly owned by Mr. Rich of Claremont. B. Thompson, Andover.

Young Elephant, full-blooded, formerly owned by David S. Eaton of Boston; at Mt. Vernon.

Milton, etc. Mark A. Perkins, Mt. Vernon, 1815.

Duke of York, bay, 16 hands.

Prince Edward and Wild Hunter, the last gray and three years old.

1816—Peeler, Bulrock; Young Herald, 16 hands, seven years old, formerly owned by Major Cilley. M. Furber, Nottingham.

Wild Hunter, 16 hands, grey, by old Stargazer, imported from England; dam, a Messenger mare of Florida, N. Y. At Claremont, etc. W. Dudley.

Young Phenomenon, etc.

1827—Young Hero.

1821—Young Peacock, sired by the imported horse Peacock; dam, a beautiful bay called Speed Eagle, sired by the noted horse Morgan, the most celebrated horse ever in Vermont. Young Peacock 16 1/2 hands, etc. Ebenezer Pike, R. Huse, Stratford.

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BREEDING SPEED INDIVIDUAL MERIT

"RYDER, THE HORSEMAN,"

.....BREEDER OF.....

Trotting-Bred and Fine Road Horses.

1891—Stallions in Service—1891

2:22 1/2 "NEW ENGLAND," No. 9553. 2:18

Registered in the American Trotting Register as Standard-bred and Standard-perfect. Bright bay, black points, 15 1/2 hands high, weighs about 1050 lbs.; foaled 1888. Sired by the great race-horse "Deucalion," 2:22 (public trial, 2:18), he by Hambletonian, 10, etc. Dam, the prize-winning brood mare "Roxy," winner of more prizes at breeders' meetings and State fairs than any other mare in the State; sired by the great producer "Daniel Lambert," with 35 in the 2:30 list. 2d dam, "Lupa," by "Vt. Black Hawk," 3d dam, "Nelly Gray," by the "Freeman Horse," son of "Ogden's Messenger," by Imp. Messenger, etc. Here, gentlemen, is a grand young horse, with GRAND SPEED ACTION; study well his breeding and see if any better was ever offered in the State of Vermont.

"MAX THE MORGAN."

The purest bred and most perfect type (save in size) of the old-time Morgan now in the State. Seal brown horse, 15 1/2 hands high, weighs 1150 lbs.; foaled 1882. Sired by "Morgan Boy," by Young Green Mountain, by "Hale's Green Mountain Morgan," etc. Dam the great road mare Lady Maxwell, by "Maxwell," he by "Gen. Gifford," by "Gifford Morgan," etc. 2d dam by "Young St. Lawrence." Here is the best type and blood of the best breed of horses Vermont ever raised, the OLD FASHION MORGAN. Whether you patronize him or not, we want everyone to come and see this horse.

We have an extensive acquaintance with wealthy breeders wishing to buy Vermont-bred stock and shall take special pains to help sell the produce of these two horses. No diseased or undesirable mares solicited.

Will stand at our stables in New Haven, Vt., save Saturdays, when MAX will be in Bristol. No business done on the Sabbath. Terms, \$1.00 (groom fee) at time of service; New England, \$15.00; Max, \$10.00, to warrant mare in foal. Yours for the improvement of horses in Vermont.

E. C. RYDER.

WEYBRIDGE, VERMONT.

To Breeders of Trotting Stock.

RUMOR, 1465.

Will make the season of 1891 at the subscriber's stable, Middlebury, in the Seeley district on the creek road.

TERMS: \$10 to Warrant

RUMOR is a full standard bred registered stallion, foaled 1870 and bred by F. W. Mosley, Poulney, Vt. He is of Messenger color (a gray); is very stylish, has elegant mane and tail and in all points of form and finish he is without a fault. Though he has been driven but little and has no trotting record, he shows a fast gait and could easily be driven in 2:40. His colts are excellent in size, style and gait.

RUMOR'S sire is the renowned sire of roadsters and trotters, DANIEL LAMBERT (sire of 35 in the 2:30 list); by Ethan Allen by Vermont Black Hawk by Sherman Morgan by Justin Morgan. His dam is Fanny Hoskins by Parris' Hambletonian, by Harris' Hambletonian by Bishop's Hambletonian, by Imp. Messenger. It will be readily seen that Rumor comes from the best trotting blood in the country. From him we may trace back in at least eight different strains to that wonderful gray horse, imported Messenger, whence sprang more or less remotely about all the best horses in America. With Daniel Lambert, the most famous stallion in New England, as sire, and Fanny Hoskins, a registered Hambletonian, as dam, we have united in RUMOR two great trotting families. The sire of Rumor's dam, Parris' Hambletonian (sire of Joker, 2:25 1/2), was a large horse, weighing over 1100, so that while Rumor is not larger than his famous sire, he should produce, and does produce, colts of good size and fine action.

JOHN M. BOSLEY, Keeper, MIDDLEBURY, VT.

SHELburne Farms Stud.

SPECIAL OFFER.

In order to introduce and establish the high value of Coach horses and give breeders of this section an opportunity to test their real merits at a nominal expense, the imported

HACKNEY STALLION,

SPROTBRO FASHION, 2277,

(by Charley Fireaway; dam, Perfection), winner of 1st prize at Chicago Show and 2d prize at the late New York Show, and the imported

FRENCH COACH STALLION,

JAVANAIS,

(by Agnadel; dam Rapide), winner of 1st prize at late New York Show and 3d prize at the great Government Show at St. Lo, France.

Will stand for service at DARWIN RIDER'S PLACE formerly known as BATELL BREAD LOAF STOCK FARM, near Fair Ground in the town of

MIDDLEBURY, VT.,

at the exceptionally low fee of

FIFTEEN DOLLARS

to proven mares only. Return privileges limited to Sept. 1st, no guarantee fees; all payable at time of service. 14; 13w.

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SHELburne Farms Stud, SHELburne, Vermont.

HACKNEY STALLION. BROWN FASHION (by Confidence), ordinary beauty and action. Service fee \$75. HACKNEY STALLION. COURIER (by Cadvasser), A wonderful mover, sixteen hands high and powerfully built. Service fee \$75. HACKNEY STALLION. ACCIDENT (by Black Anster), Winner of first prize and gold medal Paris exhibition 1889. Service fee \$75. HACKNEY STALLION. SPROTBRO FASHION (by Charley Fireaway), Winner of first prize at Chicago horse show and second prize at New York show, 1890. Service fee \$25. HACKNEY STALLION. ROCKETT 3d (by Confidence), 14 1/2 hands high. The handsomest pony ever imported. Service fee \$50. STANDARD BRED STALLION. ALMONT WILKES 2131 (by Almont), bred by George Wilkes. Service fee \$50. STANDARD BRED STALLION. ORMOND 2154 (by Happy Medium), dam by Manbrino Chief. Service fee \$50. COACH STALLION. JAVANAIS (by Agnadel), Winner of first prize New York show, 1888, and third prize at Great Government show at St. Lo, France. Service fee \$50. COACH STALLION. INCROYABLE (by Kabby; dam Brizan), Service fee \$50. COACH STALLION. JOB (by Trouble; dam Kila), Service fee \$50. RUSSIAN ORLOFF PONY STALLION. MAXIMILLIAN. Service fee \$50.

All of the above are registered in their respective classes. For further particulars address,

A. TAYLOR, MANAGER.

FOR SALE.

Black Hawk Stock Farm.

BRIDPORT, VERMONT.

The property of FRANKLIN & SHERMAN, of North Attleboro, Mass. This farm is very pleasantly located in the most fertile part of the Champlain Valley, five miles due east of Crown Point, N. Y., and eight miles west of Middlebury, Vt., (on Central Vermont R. R.) It contains 100 acres, 84 of which is mowing land in a high state of cultivation, and the balance is pasture. It all lays together in a square and is well watered. There is a good half-mile track on the place, about ten rods from the stable. The house is a large handsome structure, containing sixteen rooms of modern pattern, slate-roofed and was rebuilt by the late Noble H. Hill of Boston, who expended a large amount of money to bring it to its present state of perfection, and was occupied by him for a Summer residence up to the time of his death. The track lies about fifty feet from the house and all the track work can be seen from the rooms and porches. There is an ice-house connected with the house and the house is supplied with water from two large cisterns, connected with slate roof, and is also piped to be supplied from the wind-mill, which supplies the stable. The stables are very substantial and commodious, containing forty box stalls and seven single stalls; also a new set of Howe platform scales. Here is a bargain for some one who wants a first-class breeding establishment with everything suitable for a private or club property. Will be sold with or without equipments. Correspondence solicited and photographs of building shown. For further information call or address,

W. C. BRAISTED at the Farm, or at

FRANKLIN & SHERMAN, No. Attleboro, Mass.

KEELER.

By Dictator, sire of Jay Eye See, 2.10, Phallas, 2.13 3-4, Director, 2.17, and many others in the 2.30 list. Dam by (Senior's) Davy Crockett, 2d dam by Legal Tender, sire of Red Cloud, record, 2.18.

KEELER has been placed in our charge and will make a short season, after which he will be handled for speed. Terms, \$25 CASH, with privilege of return if mare does not prove \$25 with foal.

KEELER

is six years old, 15 1/2 hands high, and will weigh 1000 lbs. In color a seal brown, good mane and tail and looks much like the MIGHTY DICTATOR, his sire, and also the sire of the

Three Fastest Horses Ever Got by One Stallion.

His colts already satisfy the most incredulous that they are born trotters, and that KEELER IS SURE to be a success crossed with the mares of Lambert and Ethan Allen blood.

Mares kept on hay at \$1.50 a week, and on grass at 75 cent, at owner's risk.

HALL & SKINNER.

Orwell, Vt., Feb. 10, 1891.

A TYPICAL MORGAN!

FEARLESS M.

Registered in BATELL'S MORGAN REGISTER.

SIRE—MOTION, 2:20, he by Daniel Lambert, the famous horse of Vermont.

DAM by Walker Horse and he a grandson of Harris' Hambletonian; grand-dam by Pilgrim Morgan and he by DuBois Horse.

FEARLESS M.

Will make the Season of 1891 at Cornwall, Vt. FEARLESS M. is dark chestnut in color with small white strip in face, two white hind ankles; heavy mane and tail; height, 15-3 hands; weight about 1050 lbs; he will be four years old the 30th day of May, 1891.

FEARLESS M. in Form, Color, Style and Action is another Daniel Lambert. His first and second dams were as famous road mares as were ever bred in Addison County, and his speed promise is of the highest.

TERMS—\$10. To Warrant Mare in Foal.

J. H. MACK, Cornwall, Vt.

1 1/2 Miles from Middlebury on the Bridport road. April 13, 1891.

I, J. H. Mack, owner of the stallion Fearless M., whose age, pedigree and terms of service are given above, hereby declare my intention to take advantage of an act of the General Assembly of the State of Vermont, approved Nov. 27, 1888, and entitled "An act for the Protection of Horse Owners,"

Cornwall, Vt., April 13, 1891. J. H. MACK.