

Back Stretch

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stallery comprises 1121 acres. The farm population, exclusive of boarders, has increased during the past year. There are now 121 Standard Bred matrons at the farm and six trotting and pacing stallions. Accommodations have increased proportionately with over 50 miles of plank fencing enclosing 16 barns. There are stalls to accommodate 227 brood mares and colts barns that furnish room for some 100 yearlings. The famous limestone water of historic Castleton is pumped to every barn, field and paddock on the farm. The proprietor is Mrs. F. L. VanLennep.

While our farmers do not go to such expense as at Castleton, yet by knowledge acquired from years of experience they seem to be able to handle their fields very capably and during the past sev-

eral years we have noticed an astonishing improvement in the growth of Standard Breds from the time they are foaled until they are four years old. There are two-year-olds produced here now that are quite equal in size, quality of bone and in all their exterior appearances to those grown in Kentucky. Years ago this was not the case. A mare in foal was not given proper attention—that is pasturage or feed—and after foaling her diet in many cases was anything but what was required to develop her progeny quickly as present day conditions demand.

Owners of Standard Bred breeding farms in the United States plan to sell off their foals as yearlings so as to make room for the new crop coming up and to lessen the expense that keeping them until their two-year-old form would entail. To encourage horsemen to buy yearlings there are many very valuable stakes for two-year-olds to race for and readers of this page will note

where two new futurities for two-year-olds in the Maritimes are on their way, namely, one sponsored by the Charlottetown Driving Park and Provincial Exhibition Association and one by the Truro Raceway Ltd.

An observing starter in western United States last season noticed that a certain horse scored well behind the Gate but would break immediately after the start. Puzzled, the next time he trained his eye on the horse's face and observed his eyes became crossed from looking too intently at its disc number on the speeding gate. A set of blinkers with a dividing plate in the centre eliminated the trouble.

Yonkers Raceway claims to have the best lighting system in the world and they state this is demanded by fans, horsemen, photographers and television people. They claim a candle power of 100 million, which is distributed and focused by 452 giant light bulbs

each of 1500 watts. They claim that this lighting has completely eliminated the possibility of shadow. The lights are placed 80 feet high on ten steel poles around the half mile and on three towers atop the grand stand. Each flood light cluster covers about 200 feet of the track. In addition just before the field hits the wire four 10,000 watt lamps atop the grand stand are turned on for the photo of the finish. Six 80-foot towers support the 50 one thousand watt flood lights which illuminate the parking area and entrances. Yonkers, of course, can make such expenditures possible with the enormous attendances and tremendous pari-mutuel play it has. Our Maritime plants have done wonderfully well we think, and visitors who have been to them have marvelled at the fact that such well lighted tracks are possible here. All credit to those who so successfully pioneered in this new and fascinating development in harness racing.

Great Pre-Season Sale



MEN'S SPORT SHIRTS

15 Dozen go on sale Saturday morning at a terrific saving to you. There are Shirts, regularly priced to \$4.50. A rainbow of colors in rayon and nylon acetate checks and plain colors.

2.59

HENDERSON & CUDMORR WHERE QUALITY IS PURE

ENTRIES CLOSE JUNE 1st and 15th, 1952 AUG. 11-16 Old Home Week AUG. 11-16 Racing Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday Nights and Wednesday, Thursday, Friday Afternoons

1. FREE-FOR-ALL PACE PURSE \$1500.00 3 Dashes, to be raced Monday night Aug. 11th. 1st Payment \$30.00 Final Payment \$15.00

2. FREE-FOR-ALL PACE PURSE \$2000.00 3 Dashes, to be raced Thursday Afternoon Aug. 14th. 1st Payment \$30.00 Final Payment \$30.00

3. THE ROGERS HARDWARE CO. LTD. PURSE \$1050.00 2.18 CLASS PACE—Conditional 3 Dashes, to be raced Old Home Week, Aug. 11-16. 2.10 Class pacers winning less than \$1000.00 in 1951 eligible.

2.12 Class pacers winning less than \$1300.00 or winning less than 10 dashes in 1951 eligible. 2.14 Class pacers winning less than \$1700.00 eligible. 2.16 Class pacers winning less than \$1665.00 or winning less than 3 dashes in 1951 eligible.

2.17 Class pacers winning less than \$1800.00 and 2.17 Class pacers winning an even 11 dashes in 1951 eligible. 1st Payment \$20.00 Final Payment \$10.00

4. THE PROWSE BROS & DEBLOIS BROS. PURSE \$900.00 2.19 CLASS PACE 3 Dashes, to be raced Old Home Week 1st Payment \$18.00 Final Payment \$9.00

5. THE H. L. SEAR and S. R. JOHNSTONE LTD. PURSE \$900.00 2.21 CLASS PACE 3 Dashes, to be raced Old Home Week 1st Payment \$18.00 Final Payment \$9.00

6. THE KENNEDY LADIES' & MEN'S WEAR PURSE \$750.00 2.25 CLASS PACE 3 Dashes, to be raced Old Home Week 1st Payment \$15.00 Final Payment \$7.00

7. THE COUNTY CONSTRUCTION CO. LTD. PURSE \$1200.00 2.26 CLASS PACE 3 Dashes, to be raced Wednesday Afternoon Aug. 13th 1st Payment \$20.00 Final Payment \$16.00

8. THE JENKINS PHARMACY AND FIRESTONE BRYNENTON & MacKAY CO. PURSE \$750.00 2.20 CLASS TROT 3 Dashes, to be raced Old Home Week 1st Payment \$15.00 Final Payment \$7.00

9. THE BURKE ELECTRIC PURSE \$750.00 2.25 CLASS TROT 3 Dashes, to be raced Old Home Week 1st Payment \$15.00 Final Payment \$7.00

10. THE MOORE & McLEOD LTD. PURSE \$1200 2.28 CLASS TROT & PACE (Closed) 2 Dashes, to be raced Tuesday night, Aug. 12th.

11. STERNS LTD., LAUNDEERS & DRY CLEANERS PURSE \$1200 2.29 CLASS TROT & PACE (Closed) 3 Dashes, to be raced Monday night, Aug. 11th.

12. GIGGEY'S PHARMACY PURSE \$900.00 2.30 CLASS TROT (Special) 3 Dashes, to be raced Saturday night, Aug. 9th. 1st Payment \$18.00 Final Payment \$9.00 There also will be classified overnight events \$200.00 and up a dash.

ENTRIES CLOSE JUNE 15th when first payment must be made. Final payment June 30th when horse must be named Money division 38-27-18-12-5. In the event of divisions in any event, divisions will be classified. 10 to enter—six to start. Declarations for Free-For-All TROT to be raced Aug. 9th, must be made Thursday, Aug. 7—10.00 a.m. Declarations for Monday, Aug. 11th, must be made Saturday, Aug. 9th—10.00 a.m.

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Declarations for all other events excepting 2 and 3 year olds must be made day prior to race at 10.00 a.m. Rights reserved to change programme, reject any entry, and entry fee refunded, bar any driver and to declare a race off on account of bad weather or failing to obtain a satisfactory number of entries, re-open or substitute another class without advertising or alter or extend racing dates or extend credit.

Early Closing Events Night Races ENTRIES CLOSE JUNE 1st

13. FREE-FOR-ALL PACE PURSE \$1050.00 3 Dashes, to be raced Friday night, July 4th. 1st Payment \$20.00 Final Payment \$10.00

14. FREE-FOR-ALL TROT PURSE \$750.00 3 Dashes, to be raced Saturday night, July 5th. 1st Payment \$15.00 Final Payment \$7.00

15. 2.10 CLASS PACE PURSE \$900.00 3 Dashes, to be raced Friday night, July 11th. 1st Payment \$20.00 Final Payment \$7.00

16. 2.18 CLASS PACE—Conditional PURSE \$900.00 2.10-2.12-2.14 Class pacers winning less than \$1300.00 in 1951 eligible. 2.16 Class pacers winning less than \$1600.00 in 1951 eligible. 2.17 Class pacers winning less than \$2000.00 in 1951 eligible.

3 Dashes, to be raced Saturday night, July 12th. 1st Payment \$20.00 Final Payment \$7.00

17. 2.20 CLASS TROT PURSE \$750.00 3 Dashes, to be raced Friday night, July 18th. 1st Payment \$15.00 Final Payment \$7.00

18. 2.19 CLASS PACE PURSE \$750.00 3 Dashes, to be raced Saturday night, July 19th. 1st Payment \$15.00 Final Payment \$7.00

19. THREE YEAR OLD PACE PURSE \$750.00 3 Dashes, to be raced Friday night, July 25th. 1st Payment \$15.00 Final Payment \$7.00

20. 2.25 CLASS PACE PURSE \$750.00 3 Dashes, to be raced Saturday night, July 26th. 1st Payment \$15.00 Final Payment \$7.00

21. 2.16 CLASS PACE PURSE \$750.00 3 Dashes, to be raced Friday night, Aug. 1st. 1st Payment \$15.00 Final Payment \$7.00

22. THREE YEAR OLD TROT PURSE \$300.00 2 Dashes, to be raced Friday Aug. 1st. Closes June 1st—First payment June 1st \$15.00; final payment June 15th \$5.00 when horses must be named.

23. TWO YEAR OLD TROT & PACE PURSE \$500.00 2 Dashes, to be raced Saturday night, Aug. 2nd. 1st Payment \$10.00 Final Payment \$5.00

24. 2.17 PACE CONDITIONED PURSE \$900.00 2.16 Pacers winning less than \$1350.00 in 1951 eligible. First Payment \$20.00 Final Payment \$7.00

25. 2.23 TROT 2 DASHES \$500.00 To be raced Friday night July 4. 1st Payment \$10.00 Final Payment \$5.00

26. 2.25 TROT 2 DASHES \$500.00 To be raced Friday night July 11. 1st Payment \$10.00 Final Payment \$5.00

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COLT STAKES

1953 1954 1955 1956

THREE-YEAR-OLD TROT AND PACE STAKE 1953 Canadian Bred

Purse—Estimated \$2,000; Guaranteed \$1500.00 To be raced OLD HOME WEEK 1953 Colts of 1950 Eligible.

PAYMENTS Sept. 1, 1952 (with nomination) \$20.00 April 1, 1953 \$20.00 July 15, 1953 (Starting Fee) \$50.00

DIVISION OF PURSE—The sum to be raced for shall constitute all monies paid in, together with accumulated interest, if any, and the total purse so constituted shall be paid out according to race or divisions—40, 25, 15, 10, 6, 4% Fifteen to enter—six to start.

GAIT—Determination may be made at anytime up to payment April 1, 1953, and payments on single entry will follow entry.

In the event of divisions as to trotters and pacers; six trotters and six pacers to start in each division, otherwise if less than six in either division will go as a class. The purse will be divided in half, as of March 31/53, one half to pacers, one half to trotters. The payments of April 1/53 and the starting fee July 15/53 to be allocated to the division which they start in. To be raced under three heat plan, 10% to be laid aside for winner Old Home Week 1953.

Right reserved to run elimination heats if more than fourteen in class or in either division. Divisions will be classified.

The general conditions covering all phases of the events are to conform to U. S. T. A. rules. Two or more horses from the same stable or under the same management may compete but full entry fees must be paid for each horse. Should war or other conditions prevent the racing of either or both of these events, monies paid in by nominators or owners will be pro rated among the owners of horses eligible for the uncontested event or events at the time of the declaring off.

THREE-YEAR-OLD TROT & PACE STAKE—1955 Canadian Bred

Purse—Estimated \$2,000; Guaranteed \$1500.00 To be raced OLD HOME WEEK 1955 Colts of 1952 Eligible.

PAYMENTS Sept. 1, 1952 (with nomination) \$10.00 April 1, 1953 \$10.00 April 1, 1954 \$10.00 April 1, 1955 \$20.00 July 15, 1955 (Starting Fee) \$50.00

DIVISION OF PURSE—The sum to be raced for shall constitute all monies paid in, together with accumulated interest, if any, and the total purse so constituted shall be paid out according to race or divisions—40, 25, 15, 10, 6, 4% Fifteen to enter—six to start.

GAIT—Determination may be made at anytime up to payment April 1, 1955, and payments on single entry will follow entry.

In the event of divisions as to trotters and pacers; six trotters and six pacers to start in each division, otherwise if less than six in either division will go as a class. The purse will be divided in half, as of March 31/55, one half to pacers, one half to trotters. The payments of April 1/55 and the starting fee July 15/55 to be allocated to the division which they start in. To be raced under three heat plan, 10% to be laid aside for winner Old Home Week 1955.

Right reserved to run elimination heats if more than fourteen in class or in either division. Divisions will be classified.

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THREE-YEAR-OLD TROT AND PACE STAKE 1954 Canadian Bred

Purse—Estimated \$2,000; Guaranteed \$1500.00 To be raced OLD HOME WEEK 1954 Colts of 1951 Eligible.

PAYMENTS Sept. 1, 1952 (with nomination) \$10.00 April 1, 1953 \$10.00 April 1, 1954 \$20.00 July 15, 1954 (Starting Fee) \$50.00

DIVISION OF PURSE—The sum to be raced for shall constitute all monies paid in, together with accumulated interest, if any, and the total purse so constituted shall be paid out according to race or divisions—40, 25, 15, 10, 6, 4% Fifteen to enter—six to start.

GAIT—Determination may be made at anytime up to payment April 1, 1954, and payments on single entry will follow entry.

In the event of divisions as to trotters and pacers; six trotters and six pacers to start in each division, otherwise if less than six in either division will go as a class. The purse will be divided in half as of March 31/54, one half to pacers, one half to trotters. The payments of April 1/54 and Starting Fee July 15/54 to be allocated to the division which they start in. To be raced under three heat plan, 10% to be laid aside for winner Old Home Week 1954.

Right reserved to run elimination heats if more than fourteen in class or in either division. Divisions will be classified.

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1956 THREE-YEAR-OLD FUTURITIES Canadian Bred

Purse—Estimated \$6,000—Guaranteed \$3,000

PAYMENTS Sept. 1, 1952 (with nomination) \$10.00 July 1st, 1953 \$10.00 July 1st, 1954 \$10.00 July 1st, 1955 \$20.00 Final Payment (Starting Fee) July 1, 1956 \$100.00

CONDITIONS DIVISION OF PURSE—The sum to be raced for shall constitute all the money paid in, together with accumulated interest, if any, excepting amount used for advertising and promotion, and the total purse so constituted shall be paid out according to the following schedule for race or divisions: To the Winner 40% To Second 25% To Third 15% To Fourth 10% To Fifth 6% To Sixth 4%

\$100.00 put up by the Association to be awarded to the nominators shall be divided as follows, with the above award being split if there is a division of trotters and pacers: To the Winner 50% To Second 25% To Third 12% To Fourth 8% To Fifth 5%

NOMINATIONS—Upon payment of \$10.00 nomination fee on each mare named (Sept. 1, 1952) nominator must give name and breeding of mare, and stallion bred to in 1952. Upon second payment, July 1, 1953, name, sex, and color of foal must be given. GAIT—Determination may be made at anytime up to payment July 1, 1955 and any payments on single entry will follow the entry.

SUBSTITUTIONS—On July 1, 1953, when second entry is made, if any mare does not have a living foal, an original nominator may substitute one regardless of ownership, without extra charge. Substitutions may be sold.

In the event of divisions as to trotters and pacers; six trotters and six pacers to start in each division, otherwise if less than six in either division will go as a class. The purse will be divided in half, as of June 30, 1955, one half to pacers, one half to trotters. The payments of July 1/55 and the starting fee July 1/56