

1954-\$415,577; in 1955-\$399,455 and in 1956-\$372,945, a total of \$2,274,222. For the same years Joe O'Brien won, 1952-\$224,260; 1953-\$269,579; 1954-\$397,777; 1955-\$421,660 and in 1956-\$422,619, a total of \$1,645,894.

It must be remembered that Billy Houghton trains for many owners and at Florida this winter he was training upwards of 100 trotters and pacers and he confines his racing mostly to Roosevelt Raceway and Yonkers Raceway. On the other hand Joe O'Brien drives for the S. A. Camp stable and occasionally drives outside horses, but the total number of horses which he would be driving a season would be less than one-third the number that Billy Houghton drives.

Other Maritime drivers racing away from home won in 1956 as follows: Earle B. Avery, \$133,376; Jones, formerly of Amherst, N.S., \$2,483; Don G. Larlee, \$2,863; George Mauger, who raced the Harry Hirsch stable in the Maritimes and a few times at Saratoga, \$14,138; John W. Quinn, formerly of Charlottetown, \$9,705; Jack Sherman, formerly of Charlottetown, \$9,525.

TO YONKERS  
Sanders Russell of Stevenson, Alabama, moved his stable to Yonkers Raceway last week and one of the best trotters in it is the 4-year-old mare Gratta Hanover, owned by R. J. Logue of Sydney, N.S. She took a record last year of 2:04 1-5 and her total winnings are \$43,428. Head trainer with Mr. Russell is Joe MacDonald of Sydney Mines, who is highly regarded in these provinces by the sea as a gentlemanly and skillful handler of the ribbons and a man who takes great pride in looking after his horses. We hope that Sanders and Joe will have a very successful season.

At the Delaware Sale last fall when the pacer Denny Pointer p. 2:03 2-5 was led into the ring the buyers were very leery in bidding, but Dr. George Bishop, now in Lexington, Kentucky, looked him over and believed the story in the catalogue that the reason for the lameness was his kicking through a stall and injuring his hind leg. He bought him for the proverbial song and today he is sound as a bell and going repeat miles in the stable of Ellwood Shaw, who is also training Abner McGraw 2:10 4-5, Gabagan 2:09 2-5 and several others. All Ellwood's horses look in excellent shape and he and his caretaker deserve great praise. By the way, Denny Pointer's earnings to the end of 1955 were \$43,365.05.

RECOVERING  
In our frequent visits to the race track we have missed our genial friend Jack Kennedy, the manager, and learned that he has been ill in conversation with him we find that he expects to be out and around in the near future. Jack has been a tower of strength to the organization and his position calls for a lot of hard work and responsibility, as the writer knows from experience. He is a big asset in that he always has a pleasant smile and a nice word of greeting for everyone.

The boys at the race track early this week were remarking on its splendid condition and were planning on some easy miles the right way of the track, the writer of these notes hoping to get up behind a couple, but the weather man changed all that and it will be a few days before fast brushes will be in order. As soon as the weather gets a shade warmer stables will be coming in from all directions in this province and we understand 160 stalls have been booked, the largest number we can remember of. Racing certainly seems to be in for a big season all over the Maritimes.

Among those present at Yonkers Raceway when Mac Primrose won in 2:04 2-5 and Roland Volo in 2:07 2-5, was W. P. Edwards of Fredericton, N.B. He thought Eddie Cobb gave both Canadian horses an excellent drive and writes that Mac Primrose is rated "top horse" at Yonkers. The public bet more than \$144,000 on his nose. After looking over Yonkers and enjoying the sport Mr. Edwards motored to Foxboro and on return will visit Cochran Raceways—Thanks very much W.P. for remembering us.

Lloyd "Bunny" Walker has high hopes for the 2-year-old Titan Emlen that he is training for owner Laurie Nightingale of Halifax. This youngster is by Titan Hanover 1:56, winner of the Hambletonian, world's richest trotting stake, and his dam is Elizabeth Gayworthy 2:08 3/4. She is the dam of three with records better than 2:10.

CHANGES HANDS  
That good 5-year-old pacer Danville Delegate 3, 2:09 has changed hands having been sold by Hanley Spence, Bridgewater, to Eric W. Wheby of Dartmouth. It will be remembered that he won at Sackville Downs last year in 2:12 4-5. His breeding is excellent being by

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