

One That Didn't Get Away!



The possibilities of a new provincial tourist attraction may be in the offing following the recent reports of Striped Bass being caught in the Hillsboro River. Mr. Albert McIntyre of Mt. Stewart proudly exhibits a 22 pound specimen taken from his smelt bag nets near Mt. Stewart on Dec. 2 to Mr. B. Graham Rogers, Department of Industry and Natural Resources.—(Barter Film Lab).

Back Stretch

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...and each year they have added to their clientele and to the number of horses entered in their sale. Now it is regarded as one of the most important sales in the United States. The 1953 consignment tops last year's previous record by more than 175 head. The fastest horse slated to be sold there was the world's champion pacing gelding H. B.

Chief 1.58 3/5, consigned by Castleton Farm, Lexington, Ky., which also consigned several other members of its racing stable. Some disappointment must have been experienced by would-be bidders on H. B. Chief, as we understand he was sold privately by Castleton Farm to Joseph Couchon, noted horseman of Quebec.

In an advertisement which appeared in a recent issue of The Harness Horse for a volume entitled Who's Who and Where in Horsedom, the heading is: What

do you know about the only seven heat race in history? Fred Egan won this race in 1911, according to a biography of Mr. Egan which appears in volume 5, Who's Who and Where in Horsedom. The fate of the above could not have delved very far into the past or he would have found that there was at least one other seven heat race and this is it:—Frederickton, N. B., September 17, 1913. 2.19 Trot and 2.22 Pace, purse \$400: Devilish Dorothy (Cameron) 4-7-2-1-2-1-1; Dan Paine (Carroll) 1-1-3-3-3-3-3; Lady Belle (Dugan)

8-4-6-2-1-3-2; Nate Alcyone (Brickley) 5-6-8-4-3-4-4; Hanson, 7-5-4-5-4-dr.; The Patchen Lady, 6-2-1-dr.; Northern Light, 2-3-8-dr.; Prince Baron, 3-3-7-dr. Time: 2.19 1/4, 2.20 1/4, 2.18 1/4, 2.24 1/4, 2.20 1/4, 2.19 1/4, 2.24.

Devilish Dorothy will be remembered by many horsemen. She was bred by Thomas W. Lawson, Boston, Mass., and her sire was Dare Devil, a horse that was renowned for the gameness of his descendants. Thomas W. Lawson was the man that wrote a series of articles in Everybody's Magazine, giving the history of Standard Oil, which increased that magazine's circulation to over a million and rewarded Mr. Lawson financially. The fates were later unkind to him and he sold his racing stable and breeding farm at auction and Dr. J. T. Jenkins of Charlottetown bought Devilish Dorothy as a three-year-old and brought her home to Upton Farm. She was one of the gamest trotters that ever raced on a Maritime track and because of the difficulty of getting trotting classes for her she had to race with pacers, but woe to them if the race went over three heats, then Dorothy was an almost certain winner. Fred Cameron was her pilot on the above and many other occasions and at the same meeting he won the Two Year Old Trot with Upton Prince, a colt by Todd Mack, that Dr. Jenkins had purchased in the U. S. A.

In the latest harness horse we notice where Joe O'Brien returning from his trip to Harrisburg has been winning and is now the top driver at Hollywood track, California. We mentioned some weeks ago where his friend Dana Cameron had sent him Newport Chief to race there. At first, probably due to his long trip across the continent, he did not cut too much of a figure, but recently he won the A. Pace, purse \$3,500, defeating such stars as Knox Hanover, True Dale, Miss Mamie, Marvel Way, etc., time, 2:01 1/5, quite fast time for a three-year-old. Joe also won the A. Trot, purse \$2,500, with D'Artagnan, a three-year-old by Scotland, time, 2:05 4/5; the A. Pace, purse \$2,500, with Clever Counsel, a three-year-old by Chief Counsel, in 2:02 4/5; the B. Pace, purse \$2,000, with Quiet Guy in 2:05 1/5, was fourth in the Free For All, purse \$5,000, with Prince Jay. The mile and an eighth was stepped in 2:15 3/5. He was second in the Golden West Trot, purse \$30,550, with Beck Hanover. The race was won by Pronto Don, the greatest trotter in the world at these distances and practically unbeaten. The time by quarters was: 29, 1:00 4/5; 1:33 1/2; 2:04 4/5; 2:36 3/5 for one and three-sixteenths mile—a new world's record. Pronto Don's slice of the purse was \$13,747, Beck Hanover's, \$6,110. Joe O'Brien is now leading reinsman, has made 57 starts, was 19 times first, 12 times second and six times third. In second place is Don Hall with 47 starts, 15 first, 11 seconds and six thirds. Joe's winnings at this meeting are \$65,962.50; Don Hall's, \$36,192.50; Benny Schue, \$32,877.50; H. Fitzpatrick, \$28,200.25. Congratulations, which we feel will be shared in by all Maritime horsemen, on Joe's great success, and also congratulations to his good owner, Sol Camp.

L. G. Duffy writing in The Harness Horse, has the following:—When Sol Camp secured the yearling Butch Hanover, paying \$25,000 for the son of Hoop Man 3, 2:00, and Brenda Hanover 2:02 3/4, Fred Egan, who was sitting in our enclosure, said, "That is one colt I truly would have liked to train. I liked him more than any yearling I saw this fall."

C. T. Black is advertising for sale Royal Song, a two-year-old brown gelding by Peter Song, 2:00, dam, Merry Way 2:12 1/2, dam of the 1953 winners Brown Bow 3, 2:10 and Watchim's Mary p. 4, 2:09 4/5. These are two 2:10 performers, one a trotter and one a pacer, by Alderman Frank Adams' stallion Watchim 2:06 that we did not have any previous record of. As we mentioned before, probably when the returns are in Watchim will have quite a few 2:10 performers this season.

The trotter Pronto Don 1.59 3/5 that was the winner of the \$30,550 Golden West Trot in California, mentioned earlier, has won over \$50,000 in each of his last campaigns. His top year was 1951 when he earned \$80,850 and he is now nearing the \$300,000 total. His owner, Gene Hayes, has been very successful in picking colts that have developed into winners of big stakes.

Forty years ago and many years prior to that, Brockton, Mass., was the goal that many of our horsemen hoped to achieve with a good trotter or pacer. In the 1930's directors of influence cut down the harness racing programs and in-

roduced the runners and the Brockton Fair suffered thereby. Now Brockton is trying to bring the trotters and pacers back and there are forty of them wintering on the fair grounds. There is also a Brockton Driving Club interested in developing good trotters and pacers and they bought quite a few at the recent Harrisburg sale.

We hear about the Italians being hard up but there must be quite a number of wealthy people there as Prince Phillip 2:00, that left by air from New York last week, brought \$35,000 to owners Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Belt of Columbus, Ohio. He cost them \$4,250 as a yearling and his earnings would no doubt be in the vicinity of \$20,000 or more. The Belts had owned horses all their lives but never before a two-minute performer.

In the summary of a race meeting at Quebec City track October 26th, we notice D. Pace, purse \$250, Mason's 49, ten years old, by Calumet Budlong (L. O'Brien) 1, time 2:26 2/5. Laurie had evidently gone there after Blue Bonnets closed.

We welcome a letter from the one and only Billy Connick, Baddeck, N.S. He writes: "Speaking of Hillsota, it was mentioned in your column that he is a grey colt. That is wrong, he is either a bay or brown colt. You are also wrong about Banner Way, the \$20,000 beauty that Dick Leque bought at Tattersalls Sale, Kentucky. He is by King's Counsel all right, but his dam is not Direct Lady by Billy Direct. According to The Harness Horse of October 14th Banner Way, chestnut colt by King's Counsel is out of Jane Azoff, Willard Kelly's old pupil, and the colt Flaming Way by King's Counsel is out of Direct Lady, the colt Sol Camp, Joe O'Brien's boss, paid \$5,500 for.... Well, Billy, you score 50 per cent correct. Hillsota is a brown colt and he was the highest priced horse at the Harrisburg sale—\$35,000. You are incorrect with regard to Banner Way. He is as we described him, by King's Counsel 1.58 and his dam is Direct Lady 4, 2:07 1/2 by Billy Direct 1.55. Flaming Way is a chestnut colt by King's Counsel, dam, Jane Azoff 1:59 1/2. Our authority is Gainsway Farm's Catalogue of Yearlings. We are glad to hear from you Billy, and when you have more horse news please write us. Also remember me to Joe MacDonald, our mutual friend.

A letter from Ralph E. Donovan, R.R. 4, Moncton, N.B., gives us the news that he is now the owner of Peggy Ellis 2:11 3/5, a nine-year-old trotting mare by Follow Up, dam, Peggy Hanover 2:07. This mare has won almost \$4,000 and when her racing career is over, with her breeding, she should be a very valuable brood mare. Ralph also gives us the sad news that Frank P. Mann of Lewisville, N.B., passed away in his 80th year. Mr. Mann always took a great interest in horses, attended the meetings and was an admired and respected member of his community.

The death of John E. Forbes. Continued on page 8

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