

Back Stretch

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The stables of Johnny Cruise, Floyd Milton and others have moved from Dufferin Park, Toronto to Yonkers Raceway where the drivers expect their superior condition due to racing over the ice and mud will place them out in front of the more southern trained stables.

Floyd Milton, whose home is in Ontario, puts it this way, "Might just as well get it early and home for your chances later in the season. My horses are probably in better shape right now than others in the same class

which trained in the south. It's better to lick them now if possible than battle it out later when my horses are beginning to show wear and tear and the others are rounding into tip top condition."

L. G. Duffy, writing in the Harness Horse, has this — "The campaign made the past season by Brewer's Gallon 2:00 4-5 the handsome and extremely fast trotting son of Bill Gallon (3) 1:59 1-2 and Betsy Brewer (3) 2:08, owned by E. C. Cruikshank, Halifax, N.S., was indeed one of the most outstanding demonstrations credited to any performed in 1950. In his 17 efforts, notwithstanding he started out of his class on various occasions, he was victorious in 16 of his engagements, holding his rare form throughout the entire campaign notwithstanding that he raced from coast to coast."

Return of the Old Glory Sale is featured in the Horseman and Fair World of last week. It was William B. Fasig who hit upon the idea of conducting the sale in Madison Square Garden in 1893. He held a two-week sale in which over 1,000 horses were catalogued and the rental was \$12,000. The hit upon the name Old Glory and this was featured on every catalogue and in all advertising. After the death of Mr. Fasig in 1902, Ed Tipton became the sole owner and remained so until his retirement in 1913. He was succeeded by E. J. Tranter and shortly after Tranter's death in 1938 the firm was purchased by a syndicate of thoroughbred breeders and since that time has been out of the standard bred auction field.

Hunters Corner

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suddenly stilled; if our rivers and pools became barren and devoid of trout or formations of wildgeese, their wild music floating earthward, were no longer etched against the blue of the sky.

What if there were no whisper of wings in the dawn? No flurry of brown birds from the stubble, no red fox or white bunny racing through the winter woods with the thrilling music of the hounds rising and falling on the frosty air. "Not worth living in" did I hear someone exclaim, and yet there are selfish interests on the loose that appear to be doing their best to bring such a state of affairs to pass.

There are hunters who pay no attention to daily birds limit but whose motto is: kill while the killing is good. There are people who will drop a net in a pool teeming with trout and in a few minutes scores of beautiful fish will be flopping helplessly on the

lory and is responsible with Peter the Great for the marvellous Peter the Great - Axworthy cross was Axworthy 2:15 1-2 that nobody wanted. He was a son of the famous Axtell (3) 2:12 to high heels, a world's record when made. He was sold for \$105,000 the night after he made it. Had it not been for John H. Shultz, Axworthy might have gone to his grave "unwept, unhonored and unsung." Mr. Shultz loved horses and more from pity than anything else he bought Axworthy for \$500, bred him to a few mares and when the foals were 2-year-olds visitors to the farm commenced to admire their pure trotting action and the Axworthy boom was on. It got its real impetus when his son, Guy Axworthy 2:08 3-4 was purchased for \$20,000 at auction in Madison Square Garden by Walnut Hill Farm, Lexington, Ky. You all know the rest.

We deeply regret to learn of the death on April 9 at Springhill, N.S. of Amos Porter. Mr. Porter had been employed by the Cumberland Coal Co., being in charge of their horses. For many years he was one of the most reliable caretakers of race horses in the Maritimes and it was interesting at all times to hear him talk about horses that he had cared for. He was well liked by everyone who came in contact with him and he passed away leaving an honored name behind him. The writer has been a long time friend of Mr. Porter's and extends his deepest sympathy and that of other horsemen to his relatives in their sad loss.

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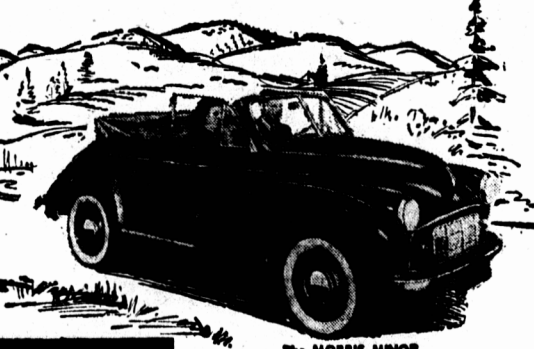
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