

EQUINE OBITUARY.

HARRY BASSETT.

The telegraph informed us on Monday morning that the great race horse Harry Bassett had died the day previous on the farm of his owner, Col. McDaniel, at Princeton, N. J.

Harry Bassett was a chestnut horse, foaled 1869, by Lexington, dam Canary Bird by imported Albion. He was foaled at the Woodburn Farm, near Spring Station, Ky., and was sold from thence a yearling, in June, 1869, to Colonel H. D. McDaniel. He was then a fine-looking colt, but independent of his fine looks he did not show any special points to warrant his subsequent brilliant career. As a two-year-old he won the Kentucky Stakes at Saratoga, the Nursery at Jerome, and the Central at Baltimore. As a three-year-old he was never beaten, and by his success laid the foundation of the series of brilliant victories that the McDaniel Confederacy won during the next three years. As a three-year-old Bassett won the Belmont and Jerome Stakes at Jerome, the Travers and Kenner at Saratoga, the Jersey Derby at Monmouth Park, and walked over for the Dixie at Baltimore, finishing his three-year-old career by winning the Bowie Stakes of four-mile heats. In this respect his career was better than that of the Duke of Magenta, for Harry was never beaten, while the Duke was at Monmouth; and although the Duke has won a great many more stakes than Bassett, the "Great Harry," as he was called in his day, won at four-mile heats. Many of the admirers of the horse thought that race did him an injury and attributed his subsequent defeats to that cause. As a four-year-old, however, Bassett won the Westchester Cup, but was beaten by Longfellow for the Monmouth Cup, on which occasion more persons were present on the track at Monmouth than ever before or since. At Saratoga Bassett beat Longfellow, and for a brief space the public again made him a pet, a distinction he lost, however, when at the Jerome Park October meeting he was beaten by Monarchist both for the Maturity Stakes and the four-mile purse. After this event he was seen but rarely, although he won several races, none of them of special importance. His temper, which was never of the best, got almost uncontrollable, and finally, in 1874, he was sent to the stud, his owner, Colonel McDaniel, breeding him to a fairly good lot of mares. The progeny so far have not been equal to their sire's reputation. The Fawn, out of Spotted Fawn, being about the best, while Lutan, who is still a "maiden," is the best of his two-year-olds now on the turf. As a stallion Harry Bassett was certainly one of the handsomest ever seen, and fully warranted the praise he received when shown at Colonel McDaniel's sale of yearlings last summer. His death is a great blow to Colonel McDaniel, who during the last three years has had considerable ill luck with his horses, but so highly did he think of Bassett and his coming sons and daughters that at the recent meeting at Baltimore he remarked that they would eventually place him all right again.

EDWIN FORREST.

Alexander's Edwin Forrest, a great trotting sire, was burned to death in a fire that occurred on the farm of Mr. G. W. Ferguson, Marshalltown, Ia., on Saturday evening, Oct. 19. He was foaled in 1851, in Oneida, N.Y., and was by Bay Kentucky Hunter, dam by Watkins Young Highlander. He was purchased by Mr. R. A. Alexander, of Kentucky, at an early age, and by him ten years ago sold to the Keokuk, Ia. Stock Breeders' Association. While in Kentucky he was one of the most popular stock horses in the State. He was the sire of Annie Collins, 2:23½; Billy Hoskins, not unknown in Canada, 2:26½; Champaign, 2:30; and many other good ones.

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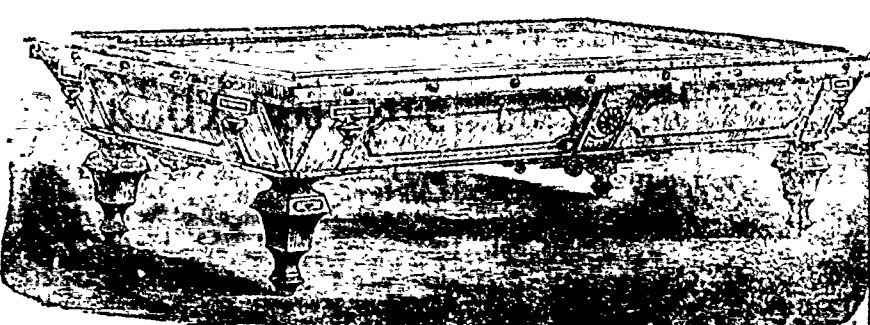
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