

principles of breeding, than Live Oak, I can not promise that he shall remain with you longer than the middle of August."

PEDIGREE.

"Live Oak" was sired by Old Morrill; he by Jennison Horse; he by One-Eye; he by Bulrush Morgan; he by Justin Morgan, founder of the Morgan family. The dam of Old Morrill, the sire of "Live Oak," was sired by the Farrington Horse; he by the Vance Horse; he by Messenger. The grand dam of One-Eye was Garland, and she was sired by Duroc, he by imported Diomed. Garland's dam was Young Miller's Damsel, sired by Hambletonian; he by imported Messenger. Young Miller's Damsel's dam was Miller's Damsel, sired by imported Messenger, out of imported Pot 80's Mare. It will be observed that "Live Oak," on his sire's side, runs back through three strains to imported Diomed, and also three strains to imported Messenger.

The dam of "Live Oak" was sired by the Judvine Horse (see Linsley's book, p. 315); he by Vermont Champion; he by Vermont Morgan Champion; he by Sherman; he by old Justin Morgan. The dam of "Live Oak's" dam was a most remarkable mare for endurance and speed. She was kept in the Haines family until she was thirty-two years of age, at which time she was healthy and vigorous, but soon after, unfortunately, broke a leg, and was killed to relieve her of pain. Her skin was stuffed, and is still preserved.

"Live Oak" will serve mares at the following rates:—Terms: Single Service, \$15.00. Services for the Season, \$25.00. Cash or Note at the time of Service. Book now open and rapidly filling. Number of mares limited. For further particulars, address

HENRY VAN RUSKIRK,  
Melvern Square, Wilmot.

WINDSOR, MAY 31, 1876.

WM. DUFFUS, Halifax.

DEAR SIR.—The Morrill Stallion "Live Oak" is now in Windsor, at the stables of E. A. McBride, where he will remain until Thursday noon when he will leave for the subscriber's stables, Melvern Square. This horse is here only for this season, and horsemen should be up and doing. Are there any mares in Halifax? if so, I would plan to be in Windsor every fortnight during the season. Please let me know and exhibit these cards, and oblige yours, &c.,

HENRY VAN BUSKIRK.

THERE is an unusual mortality among cows this season. In Halifax County, especially along the Windsor and Hammond's Plain roads, a large number have died either before or immediately after calving.

WE have received the following from W. D. Dimock, Esq., Secretary of the Provincial Exhibition to be held at Truro in October next:—

Model School,  
Truro, May 6th, 1876.

Would you kindly oblige by stating in the *Journal of Agriculture* that the Vick Prizes in the Flower Department in the Prize List of '76 are only for "amateurs," not for professed gardeners or horticulturists.

Also, that the "Maitland Improved Horse Stock Co." have offered the following prizes:—

Best Knox colt got by "Jim Fisk":  
1st..... \$30  
2nd..... 20  
3rd..... 10

WE have been favoured by William Duffus, Esq., with the following pedigree of Horses recently imported by him from the United States:—

DANDIE DINMONT.

Dandie Dinmont, brown stallion, by Maine Slasher, out of the thoroughbred mare Vistula, by imported Scythian. Dandie Dinmont was bred by General W. S. Tilton, of Togus, Maine, U. S. Sold to J. B. North, Hantsport.

RICE MAMBRINO.

Rice Mambrino was bred by George T. Allman, of Giles Co., Tennessee. Sired by Henry Mambrino, sired by Mambrino Chief, the sire of Lady Thorne.

Dam—Fanny Porter.

- g. d.—Fanny, by Timolean,
- g. g. d.—Fanny, by Pantaloon, sired by imported Diomed.
- g. g. g. d.—Jennet, by Muzzle Diomed, son of imported Diomed.
- g. g. g. g.—By Wiks Wonder, the sire of Tenu. Oscar.
- g. g. g. g. g.—By Sir Archie.

I certify the above pedigree correct.  
(Sgd.) BRAD. W. PORTER.

I certify the chestnut colt, Rice Mambrino, sold to General W. S. Tilton, Togus, Maine, was got by Henry Mambrino, out of the above mare Fanny Porter.

(Sgd.) GEO. T. ALLMAN.  
Cometsville, Tenn.,  
March 20th, 1876.

Rice Mambrino is a handsome chestnut stallion, has size, style and plenty of substance, with splendid trotting action, possessing all the finish of a thoroughbred, and is pronounced by horsemen to be the best stallion of his age in the Province. Sold to Robert Bacon, Windsor.

OUR readers may like to hear the results of the Ayrshire Derby of the present year:

Ayr, April 26.—The show of stock was, thanks to the brilliant weather, a great success. So far as the entries are concerned, there was an advance in all departments over those of last year. In cattle there were 469 as against 454 in 1875, 284 horses compared with 263, 198 head of sheep as against 132, 30 pigs, or an increase of 18; and 137 dogs, being 13 more than at the previous show. The animals shown were all of the highest class. It was stated by the judges that the Clydesdale horses for numbers and quality were a credit to any show, while the Ayrshire cattle, which may be described as the great feature of the display, were, according to the best authorities, the finest stabled since the institution of the Society. There was a splendid collection of blackfaced sheep, and the fat stock were a great improvement on former lots forwarded. The competition of chief interest among the Ayrshires is the DERBY, for which there were 156 entries, and of these a hundred were forward—a very large proportion, considering that they are entered when calves. The class was an excellent one, embracing animals from Ayr, Carrick, Cunnock, Kilmarnock, Dalry, Athole, Renfrew, and Wigtown districts. After two hours and a-half labour the cow selected by the judges for the £20 premium was a beautiful rich red and white, the property of Mr. James Brown, Cartleburn. She exhibits much fine breeding, and her symmetry is remarkable. With a very sweet head and horn, she has a nice neck, flat shoulder, great breadth across the torr and udder, whose size and shape is unexceptionable. She was bred by Mr. Brown, out of one of his own cows by a bull from Burghouses, and she shows much of the style of Mr. Howie's famous herd. The 2nd prize fell to an almost pure white cow, with brindled head, belonging to the Duke of Buccleuch. Mr. J. Murray, Carston, was 3rd, with a white and red. The 4th ticket fell to a yellowish red cow, the property of Mr. Wyllie, Holmbyre. Aged cows in milk come next on the list, and out of a class of 30 or 40, Mr. John Holm, Japston, carried the honours with a brindle and white possessing much style of the true Ayrshire type. The 3rd prize was awarded to Mr. T. Lindsay, Townend, for the cow that was 2nd in last year's Derby. About 30 were forward in the class for aged cows in calf, and the red ticket fell to the Duke of Buccleuch for the pretty red and white which won the gold medal at the Highland Society's show at Glasgow, and took leading honours at almost all the principal shows. Mr. W. Brown carried off the 2nd prize with a dun and yellow cow, not large in size, but of striking symme-