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DAN PATCH RETIRES.

Dan Patch has been permanently retired from the racing and speed exhibition stage. M. W. Savage, his owner, is authority for the statement that Dan Patch will never again be asked to start in attempts to lower world's records. He says the great horse has done his share of work, and that his life from this time on will be spent in enjoying a well-earned rest, in watching other harness horses struggle to lower his records.

While the champion will not be called upon to make any of the efforts that have made him famous, he will still do some travelling, and during the coming summer and fall will be an attraction at a large number of fairs all over the United States. He will be exhibited in several stalls where people can get a close look at him. He will be under the care of Charlie Plummer, who has hardly left the horse a day for seven years, and his care and equipment will be such as befits the monarch of the fine harness world.

During the coming season, Dan will still be the topline of the Savage combination of pacers, and whenever Minor Heir, George Gano, Hedgewood Boy, and Lady Maud C. race and try for new records, Dan will be on hand.

For ten years Dan Patch has been without a peer in the harness-horse world. In manners in disposition, in courage, in gameness and speed, he has stood alone.

The performances of other horses have been judged by the standard of

this world's champion. He has repeatedly performed what experts once pronounced impossible feats. He has paced seventy-three miles under 2.00. He has lowered the world's record fourteen times, and he now holds seven world's records.

Dan's last fast miles were at Phoenix, Ariz., last fall, where he paced two miles in 2.03 1/2 and 2.03 1/2, without much preparation. Early in the season Dan slightly injured one leg on a half-mile track, and this bothered him some last fall, so that Hersey did not key him up to extreme speed. These two miles at Phoenix were acknowledged by horsemen to be phenomenal on account of Dan's having no practical preparation, and many considered them the greatest of his performances.

Last winter on the International Farm, Dan rested in his stall more than ever before in his life. He is today in grand physical condition. He is jogging soundly, and many who know the horse are willing to venture the prediction that he would train this season and go more fast miles. His owner firmly believes that he could do this. He has watched Dan Patch defy all of the laws that ordinarily govern horses, and he has unlimited faith in him.

Notwithstanding this fact, the horse will not be asked to try. Mr. Savage thinks too much of him to take any chances of breaking him down. He will be kept in good health to enjoy the many years that are left for him.

Dan Patch's life story is an inspira-

tion to breeders. He has been consistently great.

HOLD ONTO FARMERS

An Omaha wire of July 9 said: "There's going to be no more emigration from the Central States into Western Canada if the 'powers' can prevent it, and plans recently formed by the United States government and co-operated in by the governors of those states which have lost so heavily of their very best citizens through emigration to Canada are looked to for assistance in preventing this tremendous drain upon the farm population of the United States. These plans call for the assistance of the American newspaper, and many of the most influential periodicals are lending aid to the movement.

"The national government has at last taken cognizance of the tremendous emigration of its subjects to Canada, and recently a fund of half a million dollars was set aside with which to combat the rush to Canada. The American government has decided to spend that amount of money in advertising government lands in the Western States and showing prospective emigrants that they can purchase land in this country just as cheaply, and in many cases at even lower figures, than they can buy Canadian lands.

"But in making this statement the United States government is obliged to steer clear of furnishing a descriptive comparison of the Canadian and American lands. In Western United States there are many millions of acres of land that can be purchased at \$1.25 per acre and that are worth about one cent per quarter section, provided no taxes are assessed against it. There are, of course, millions of acres of much better land than this that are subject to homestead entry, but when the government advertises 'Why go to Canada? We have 367,000,000 acres of free lands in this country,' all the great body of absolutely worthless lands is not included.

"Of course this land cannot be compared with the Western Canadian lands, nor, in fact, can any of the American lands now subject to homestead land which may be homesteaded and purchased at \$1.25 per acre, but practically no farming lands are now open to homestead.

"With the half million dollars that it will spend in advertising its own lands, the Washington government will do its best to hold a portion of those western farmers who are leaving the States for Canada because of their ability in the latter country to secure large bodies of land very cheaply."

WHAT CANADA DRINKS

During the fiscal year which closed with March 31 the people of Canada consumed spirits to the amount of 815 gallons per head as compared with 806 in the previous year, a slight increase. The consumption of beer per head was 5.2776 gallons, wine .97 gallons and of tobacco 2.940 pounds.

In the previous year the consumption per head of beer was 5.348 gallons, of wine .85 gallons and of tobacco 2.910 pounds. As compared with thirty years ago when two gallons of liquor was consumed for every head of population, the consumption of spirits

is small. On the other hand there has been a steady increase in the consumption of beer and a steady but not abnormal increase in the use of tobacco.

TO TOUR EMPIRE

A London cable of July 10 said: It is rumored that the King and Queen will make a tour of the Empire. This is a startling announcement. It is safe to say that no English monarch has made so vast a journey while reigning on the throne. King Edward and Queen Victoria—practically—confined their travels to holidays in the South of France, Italy and Germany. King Edward, during the nine years of his reign never left Europe. King George is already the most travelled of past or present kings."

BURNED TO DEATH

T. Tyremans, one mile west of Boissevain, Man., had his large barn and implement shed and other outbuildings destroyed by fire Saturday. The horses and harness were saved, but all the machinery, including three binders, sixty tons of hay and 2,000 bushels of oats were lost. It is supposed that a tramp was sleeping in the hay loft and that he was burned to death, but up to the present his remains have not been found. The farm is the property of Mrs. Neil. The value of the building was \$1,000, and the machinery, hay and oats were valued at \$2,000. There is insurance to the extent of \$500 on the contents.

BUREAU CLEAN UP

An announcement which appears in the Canadian Gazette indicates that the re-organization of the printing bureau will be sweeping in its nature. Notice is given that applications will be received up to September 1 for a superintendent of printing and a superintendent of stationery.

This means that the present superintendent, Wm. C. McMahon, will be superannuated.

The post superintendent of stationery was held by Frank S. Goldthrite, who disappeared and subsequently committed suicide by drowning himself in the Detroit river.

SIR WILFRID'S TRIP.

The first stop of Sir Wilfrid Laurier on his western trip, was at Fort William and Port Arthur Saturday afternoon, when the premier was shown the harbor of Ft. William. About two hundred citizens went out on the trip with him and he visited the vast G. T. P. terminals and was much impressed with the magnitude of the work. Afterwards he was taken for an auto ride and everywhere was greeted by crowds. Sir Wilfrid at his evening speech emphatically denied that there would be an election this fall after his trip. The government he said, would wait for the time according to the terms of the constitution. The object of the trip is simply to acquaint himself with the west, to ascertain the needs of the country. He spoke at length on the needs and future of the head of the lake ports. The great need of this part of Canada was transportation and he said that the government's policy was

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