

to wagon, carrying two men, weighing 310 pounds, in 16:45; and immediately was started again to do 10 miles more, which she accomplished in 34:07. The same year the horse Daniel D. Thompkins, under the saddle, trotted three mile heats in 7:59 and 8:10.

In 1842 Ripton beat Lady Suffolk, at 3 miles in harness, in 5:07 and 5:17.

In 1843 Lady Suffolk made mile heats in 2:28 1-2, 2:28, 2:28, 2:29 and 2:32, which was not again equaled until 1854, when this record was covered by Tacony.

In 1844 Cayuga Chief made the first half mile in a race in 1:15, the fastest yet made in public; and Fanny Jenks accomplished 100 miles, in harness, in 9 hours 38 minutes 34 seconds. The slowest mile was done in 6:25 and the fastest in 4:47. At the end of the race this mare was driven an extra mile in 4:23.

In 1849 Lady Suffolk trotted 19 times and won 12, beating Grey Eagle and Mac twice, Pelham five times, Lady Sutton twice, Trustee four times; also beat Black Hawk, Gray Trouble, Plumbay and other horses. This year a Canadian mare, Fly, is said to have been driven from Cornwall to Montreal, ninety miles, in 8 hours and 15 minutes. Fanny Jenks made 100 miles in 9 hours 38 minutes and 34 seconds. Fanny Murray trotted one hundred miles in 9 hours 41 minutes 23 seconds.

In 1852 Tacony won 12 races, beating all the best horses of the day, making a single mile in 2:26; two miles in 5:02, and was beaten only twice. As a 3 year Ethan Allen trotted this year in 3:20. Flora Temple this year won her first purse, on the regular turf, in 2:41.

In 1853 the entire sporting interest was centered in Flora Temple and Tacony. Flora this year beat all the best horses of the day, winning seventeen times. Her best time at mile heats was 2:27, 2:28, and at 2 mile heats 5:01 1-2, 4:59. This year Tacony trotted a mile in 2:25 1-2.

In 1856 the contest lay principally between Flora Temple and Lancet. Flora made 11 races, winning nine, beating Lancet four times in harness, and Tacony three times in harness, Tacony going under the saddle. This year Flora Temple lowered the one mile record to 2:24 1-2.

That the trotting horse of America owes his great powers to the infusion of thorough blood, we have before stated. To Imported Messenger is this due in the greatest degree. Messenger's sire was Mambrino, his second sire Engineer, and his third sire Samson. Thence to Blaze, Flying Childers and the Darley Arabian. Samson is reported to have been coarse and homely, and Engineer rough and coarse, but both of these horses were of extraordinary substance.

Another great trotting sire of America was imported Bellfounder. There has been much controversy over his breeding, first and last, but