

STABLE CLEANINGS.

Horse sheds for this season will be welcomed from any part of the country.

St. Bel is the leading sire of 1894.

Butterflies has broken down irretrievably.

John Dickerson will next year have a public stable.

The Austrians are the best foreign buyers of American trotters.

A new auto track circuit in Indiana may be organized next.

C. J. Haulin thinks Merry Chimes, 2.08, is as much speed as Robert J., 2.01 $\frac{1}{2}$.

Impetuous now holds the world's record in a race for two-year-olds jointly with Silcock, 2.15 $\frac{1}{2}$.

The "snickling" record is placed at 2.58 by Wood, and the "weanting" at 3.03 $\frac{1}{2}$ by him at the pacing gait.

Extensive shipments of horses are being made to Bermuda and New Brunswick from Prince Edward Island.

Miss Russell has another to add to her great roll of honor as a brood mare. The new owner is named Svanovic, and is a peer.

The demand for the pneumatic saddle is greater than the supply. Next year they will be as common as pneumatic-tired sulkeys.

The sire of Phoebe Wilkes, who is campaigning so successfully this season—Hambletian Wilkes—is now owned in California.

Online's last quarter in 29 seconds in his great exhibition mile at Sioux City, October 12, is the fastest quarter ever trotted or paced.

The game race stallion Pambulo, 2.10, who unfortunately died is so much regretted, had two of his get to enter the 2.30 list this season.

Westmont, who held the record of 2.01 $\frac{1}{2}$ with running mate, was a son of Almont, and his success or to the honor is a grandson of the same horse.

The Montreal gelding, Little Pitt, got third money in the 2.14 pace at Baltimore, which was won by Blizzard. He won the first race in 1.15 $\frac{1}{2}$.

The Maine *Fernax* thinks that St. Croix, Jr.'s trotting in 2.21 $\frac{1}{2}$, at Providence, stamps him as the greatest three-year-old yet produced in Maine.

Monroe Salisbury remarks that public opinion has changed so much in the past two years that he has now ten inquiries for a fast pacer to one for a trotter.

Jokey Fred Littlefield will not ride for the Morris Stable any longer, and is open to engagements for the season of 1895. Little Penn has also been released by the Morris.

A real estate company is to build a trotting and running course at Suresnes, near Paris, France. The sight selected is on a high plateau, easily accessible to the railroads.

Red Wilkes and Wilton, who represent the big and little types of the Wilkes family, are a tie for second honors in the race for first place among the sires of 1894, each with thirteen new performers.

W. H. Church, of Kentville, Nova Scotia, claims the distinction of being the oldest jockey in Canada. He is 74 years old, and is to enter that a week ago at Sussex, N.B.

A train load of western horses were abandoned by their shippers at Chicago. The railroad company sold them at auction, many of them bringing only a single dollar. The owners refused to pay the freight, but had their trip free.

It is reported that the well-known trainer, C. J. Haulin, who is now abroad, is desirous to accept of training quarters for Marcus Daly, of Montana, and he said that the western copper king will race a number of horses in England the next few years. He has some mares in England now. Lufford was abroad for years with the Pacific and other American horses, and he knows the ground thoroughly.

As formerly recorded herein turfmen are determined to organize a new western trotting circuit. Monroe Salisbury, J. C. Curry, M. E. McHenry, J. B. Chandler and other prominent horsemen are the movers. The circuit will consist of Denver, Lincoln, Kansas City, Council Bluffs, Des Moines, Dubuque, La Crosse and Milwaukee, leading up to the opening of the Grand Circuit at Detroit the fourth week in July.

The late Duke of Somerset was, in his day, one of the most famous amateur jockeys in England. For the pure love of it he would often drive the coach from London to Oxford, and drive the Gloucester mail back again from Oxford to London—twenty two hours continuous work. As Lord Alington St. Maur, he contributed a fascinating chapter on "Old Coaching Days" to the coaching volume of the *Baldwinian* series.

The New Brunswick horses, Helena B., 2.57, gr. m., by Harry Wilkes, 1890, and Helena, 2.51, m., by Manbruno (Charta, 808, m.) one heat of a named or match race at Eastport, Me., on the 28th ult. Helena B. won the first heat in 2.48, when Helena, being very lame on her hind leg, was unseated by her driver. Helena B. was then set an exhibition mile, which she did in 2.27, without a skip or break.

Alumimum horse-shoes were tried on a horse weighing 1,600 pounds by a cavalry officer, and a report on the result has been recently published. The shoes were set on February 22, and reset on March 22. One on the hind foot broke on April 21, and the whole four were then removed. In the two months the horse had traveled over 140 miles. The front shoes had bits of steel in the toes, and wore better than the hind ones. The former could have been used a little longer, though reduced in thickness.

A very common stable vice among race-horses, is tendency to roll completely over. Nobody on earth has ever ascertained why a horse does this. In a state of freedom this is not attended with any danger, though sometimes, when the ground is hard, the withers have been injured by constant attempts to roll over. Horses seem to regard the process as fun. When the attempt is made in the stall the horse is often completely thrown upon his back against the wall or travis and is unable to get back again.

"I have instructed Ed. Geers to drive Fantasy in 2.05 after the close of the season," said Mr. J. C. Haulin. "The filly can trot a second faster than her present record, and I want her to gain the wire in 2.05. The four-year-old mark is 2.05 $\frac{1}{2}$, held by Directum."

August Belmont has announced his intention to breed Lady Violet to Knight of Ellerslie at the close of the season. He

hopes that another *Ferry of Navarre* will be foaled. It is not generally known that Belmont came very near buying the champion three-year-old last year. The price McCalland asked was \$50,000, and Jack Joyner was very anxious to get possession of the colt. Belmont, however, thought the price a trifle steep, and so let the colt go.

The Montreal pacer Little Pitt that has had a very successful campaign this season in the States, was in the score of the Philadelphia race on Thursday last. Six horses started in the 2.14 class heat, and Pitt finished fifth in the first heat, which was laid up. Unfortunately, however, he was distanced in the next heat and has been suffering from rheumatism and was unable to finish out. Robert C. came under the wire first in 2.14. The same horses which competed have been beaten by Pitt already this year.

Sir John Astley was once at Newark with Lord Randolph Churchill, who asked him for his race card, saying: "I dread not his night, but a certain night he boasted as the winner of the Cambridge steeple. Ah, here it is—thirty-seven—Veracity. I'll back it to win a thousand." This he did, taking a thousand to thirty. The mare won. Of course the fortune was shared, but Sir John, having had a bad race, his felicitations were hardly happy, his comment being: "Ah, you always were a dreamer, Churchill!"

In scoring at Bridgewater, one horse put his foot through a wire spiked wheel of another horse's sulky. There was mishap, struggling to clear himself and thus doing himself and some property great damage. His groom, with commendable thought, threw a blanket over his head, hiding himself from him, and he stood as a lamb while both horses were unhitched and the sulky twisted so that the leg was removed without any injury to the horse, and none save the first thrust to the sulky.

At the meeting recently held at Point Breeze Park, Philadelphia, a new method of starting the horses was tried. Two professors of horsemanship were employed, one on one stand as usual in the stand to give the word, while the other arranged the horses in line at a point somewhat farther up the stretch than the distance post. At the latter's signal the drivers moved away, and, if they were well aligned at the wire, the word was given. The results of this experiment are reported to have been very acceptable, the average number of attempts to get off was materially lessened and the spectators better pleased in consequence.

Says the *Thryx Field and Farm*: "Only five of the thirty trotters in the 2.10 list made the records to high wheel sulky. These are Saml, 2.08 $\frac{1}{2}$; Maud 8, 2.08 $\frac{1}{2}$; Pajo Alto, 2.09 $\frac{1}{2}$; Allerton, 2.09 $\frac{1}{2}$; Jay-Eye-See, 2.10. All the others had the form five to six seconds faster than the high wheel. Only two of the select five trotted to their records on an oval or regulation track. These are Maud 8, and Jay-Eye-See. Has our older contemporary forgotten that at Saginaw, Michigan, Sept. 17, 1891, before a bicycle sulky was in existence, Nelson trotted over the oval track, pulling high wheels in 2.10."

In reference to the proposed long distance trotting races at Fleetwood, we are reminded that the best time on record for ten miles is 26.10, made in 1893, by the black horse Pascal, at Fleetwood Park. This horse Pascal was to pneumatic sulky, however, and for merit it does not compare favorably with the 27.23 of Con-troller, made to the old-style sulky in

\$5,000,000 is an immense fortune, but is only a conservative estimate of the amount saved in doctors' bills to the people of the Dominion by the use of St. Jacobs Oil. Its timely use not only saves money, but much suffering; a trial will win your endorsement.

1878, or with Julia Aldrich's champion record of 29.04 $\frac{1}{2}$, which has stood unbroken since 1858. With two men strapping 120 pounds each in a run-about square-sull, it is estimated that something like 55.00 or 40.00 will measure the speed of the stoutest and fastest horses that can be produced for the races of November 1894.

Jokey Henry Griffin, who is to be paid next year the highest salary ever paid a rider in America, is a lad 17 years of age. He was taken out of the hands of a Catholic priest at West Chester, 5.1 years ago, and apprenticed to Trainer James Shields. With the privilege of taking outside mounts for \$200 a month, he has won fully \$25,000. He is a shrewd, smart lad, and is educating his sisters in a convent. He knows where every dollar he earns is placed, and should be a very rich man before he is 25 years of age. Griffin can ride a 100 or 96 pounds, who to whom he is apprenticed, will receive half of the \$2,000 to be paid by Gideon A. Daly. Griffin's services next season.

Byron McClelland has been singularly fortunate in getting possession of good horses. Within the past eight months he has won some \$100,000 with his gelding, Salie McClelland, Leonard, and Henry of Navarre, The Commodore, and Ceasar. The first named was a son of Bay, by imp. The fillet, set by Baroness, that received his name through McClelland's name, was a yearling when he proposed to sell "that runt." "Why, I can give badge on him." And so he was bought, and lived to do the most some of the greatest performers of the time, earning for the young Kentucky more than \$50,000 in stakes and purses while he remained in his possession. McClelland was at first a printer, but liked racing, and after riding for a while he became a trainer, and a very successful one.

The world's records have been since our last issue—the 2.11 $\frac{1}{2}$ of 1893 on a half mile track and the record of 2.15 $\frac{1}{2}$ by a two-year-old, the record of 2.15 $\frac{1}{2}$ by Silcock—Magnolia, Haw Patch, made the double end of the Warren, O., track last Fall exactly 2.11, thus dividing the mile with the Maine stallion. The record was equalled by the little daughter of Dictator, Impetuous, who went two miles in the same time, 2.11, at Cumberland Park, Tuesday, at a meritorious performance, therefore, the best of two years ago were in 2.15 and 2.15 $\frac{1}{2}$. Another performance of mention is Trevilian's second heat, 2.08 $\frac{1}{2}$ in the 2.15 trot at Nashville, which Directum's mile at High is the fastest yet by a stallion the season. The best of the young Jim and the Kittridge second only to the black pacer in the list of stallions which have taken their best records in races. It installs him the fastest trotting stallion the Wilkes tribe.

