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#### TROTTING PIXTURES. 1913-14.

## THREE-YEAR-OLD AND AGED

### TROTTERS.

An American authority compares three-year-old trotters and aged horses, in the matter of staying, as follows:—When three-year-olds can develop the extreme rate of speed for one or two miles which the trotters of that age have shown this year, it seems as though there wou'd be a few to disagree with the opinion that a two-in-three race is long enough to ask them to go. It is doubtful if, and have been further proof that this horse"does, not need fashionably-bred mares to get good trotters. The dam of Peter Volo was a pacer by the man-eating pacing stallion Nervolo, which was a game and tough racehorse. Peter the Great has sired many good trotters through mating with pacing mares, and it has ' the pedigree compilers a merry chase to make their blood strains stand cas though they amounted to something.

The credit must go to the stallion, undoubtedly the pest of them all. His colts hit a trot early and they trot fast. Some have said they will not race on, but Sadie Mac disproved that and Judson Girl was a pretty good trotter this year.

## OTAHUHU TROTTING CLUB.

#### SUMMER MEETING.

Devotees of light harness racing, which has made such remarkable strides in Auckland during the past few years, have but a month to wait for the Otahuhu Trotting Club's summer meeting, which is to be held at The principal event on the opening day is the Dominion Handicap (Harness), two miles, of 200sovs., which, it is safe to say, will attract an excellent entry. The Mt. Albert Handicap (Harness), one mile, of 150sovs., also figures on the first day's programme, so that mile performers have been well looked after in the distribution of stake money. Four £100 races will also come up for decision on the first day, and the success of the meeting appears to be assured. The Otahuhu Trotting Cup (Har-

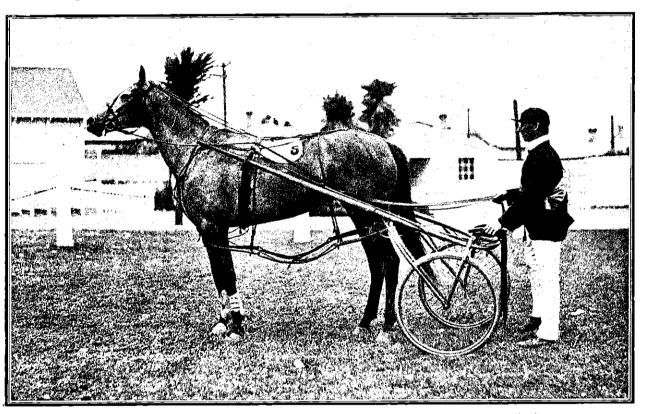
The Otahuhu Trotting Cup (Harness), two miles, of £250, is to be decided on the second day, and in view of the increased popularity of trotting in Auckland there should be a very big crowd present on Saturday, February 28, to witness the running of this event. The Exhibition Handicap (Saddle), one mile. of £150, is tc be run on the same afternoon, in addition to which four £100 handicaps will also be decided. The programme is, indeed, an attractive one, and should ensure a good response from trotting owners.

Nominations for all events on both days close with the secretary, Mr. F. D. Yonge, at his office, Vulcan Lane, on Friday, February 6, at 9 p.m.

# TROTTING NOTES.

Uhlan, who holds the world's onemile record, is reported to have recently tripped along over a quartermile on the New York speedway in

26¼ sconds.



A DOUBLE WINNER AT THE AUCKLAND TROTTING CLUB'S SUMMER MEETING—Mr. Thos. Roe's gr m STEEL BELL, 4yrs., by Gold Bell—King George mare, who accounted for the December Handicap (1½ miles) and the President's Handicap (two miles). J. Lynch, driver.

from the aged trotters racing this year—barring two to three exceptions —it would be difficult to pick a field of eight aged trotters from among those now racing that would be able to go a greater two-heat race than at least eight of the three-year-olds went at Columbus. And is it not reasonable to believe that the three-year-olds cannot go a long race without a greater risk of injury, than is present in racing aged horses?

#### WORLD'S GREATEST COLT.

Peter Volo is the greatest colt ever

Alexandra Park on February 25 and 28. The club are giving away liberal prize money, so that the gathering should attract a record number of horses, owners being generously catered for. It speaks well for the go-ahead policy of the club that only four races figure on the programme which are worth less than £100, the increased stakes being a strong inducement to visiting owners to make the trip North. During the 1913 trotting season in the United States the 2min 10sec list took 61 additions. In 1912 the number was 52.

The American trotter, Judson Girl, started in 13 races during the past year, was in the money in all of them and won 15,710 dollars. She has always demonstrated what a hard trotter she was to beat, and her camraign is one of the best made by a rour-year-old.

Lord Dewey recently worked a mile in 2.3% in Michigan (U.S.A.) after which he was taken very sick and for a time it was feared he would not recover. This grand young horse is regarded as a 2.2 trotter next year. In all of his racing during the past season Lord Dewey never made a break.

Things generally at Alexandra Park are extra quiet.

Grampian arrived last week, and has gone into C. Hird's stable. The horse is not looking any too well.

Marmalade, by Mandarene, who was trained by R. Hall, has been turned out as she showed no improvement in her paces.

Proud Child, Jun., who has been at the stud at Monganui, is now in T. Richards' care at Weymouth, near Manurewa.

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Harry Hendrickson has his Australian-bred pacer, Barium, in work at T. Richards' place, Weymouth.

Three of T. Richards' charges, Stranger, Count, and Lady Park, are all having a much needed rest. The list of the actives among T. Richards' team are St. Abbs, King Capital, Gwelo, Royal Albert, Undine, Reuben, and Sweetmeat, all of whom are doing well under this experienced mentor.

Mr. Chatteris has his maiden candidate, an unnamed filly, in constant work, driving her himself.

Both Bribery and Barmaguie are still sore as the result of their recent racing (telegraphs our Christchurch correspondent).

Ravenschild, the New Zealand Trotting Cup winner, has been returned to his owner in Dunedin. He will probably race at the Forbury Park meeting, and then be spelled till the autumn.

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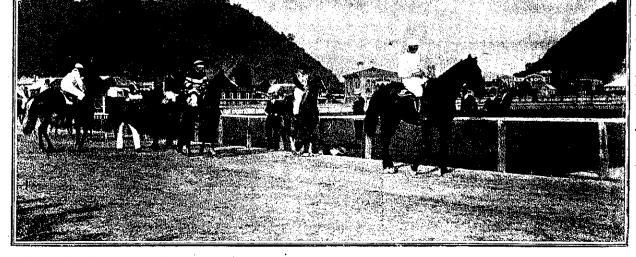
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Much has been said of this colt because of his extreme size and his great strength. In fact, there have been some rumours that he is more than a two-year-old, but none of these ever can be substantiated, the statement of the breeder and superintendent standing as a fact that is indisputable.

The general performances of the colt have added to the lustre of his Michigan-bred sire, Peter the Great,



THE START OF THE TELEGRAPH HANDICAP (one mile) WON BY LADY MARION AT THE GREY-MOUTH TROTTING CLUB'S SUMMER GATHERING.