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MODERN RACE HORSES.

High Average of Speed That Has Been Attained To in the Last Few Years.

The average race of 1903 was run a half second faster than in previous seasons. Years ago when the Suburban and Brooklyn handicaps were run, they were intended primarily to give the favorite races, in which horses should be up strong weights and run a respectable route at a moderate pace, says Oreg. We once called those handicaps "distance" races. Now they are "spring" races—nothing less than that. They are terrific. Five years ago horses sprinted six and seven furlongs. Last summer they sprinted a mile and a quarter, the popular handicap route, a pace that not many years ago was the best of a quarter horse. The best of the great handicaps is the "politan," a mile at Morris Park. Only those horses that are "forward" in their preparation start. So early in the year now is anticipated in the Metropolitans, yet the running in the season's first passed was remarkable for it. William C. Whitney's splendid year-old Gunfire was the winner in a terrific struggle, during which he was by the front runners was a mile of the most trying sort. Alternately Gunfire, carrying 108 pounds, and Old England were leading with no great distance separating them at any time. With the field close at their heels they ran the first furlong in 12 2-5, the first quarter of a mile in 24 seconds, the three furlongs in 35 1-5 seconds, and the half mile in 48 2-5, the five furlongs in 1:00 4-5, the six furlongs in 1:14 3-5, and the full mile out, Gunfire beating Old England by a length and a half in 1:38 3-5.

PROBLEM OF DRY FARMING.

Agricultural Department Has Scheme for Raising Plants Without Use of Water.

It is probable that in the near future it will be possible to raise good crops without either natural or artificial irrigation. As is apparent to everyone, even the most liberal system of irrigation reclamation will not exhaust the available arid and semiarid regions of the west, as even when irrigation has been applied to its utmost limits there will remain some millions of acres of sterile land that adjoin these reclaimed wastes. The lands lie principally between the one hundredth and the one hundred and twentieth meridians and comprise areas over which there is a deficient rainfall, with no available neighboring sources of supply which might be brought to them even by canals.

But the department of agriculture has other resources to fall back upon. If the customary crops require water why not develop new crops that can be grown dry? This, in substance, is the problem the bureau of plant industry has set for itself. Dry land farming or "dry farming" is the name of this unique scheme. Just now the world is being searched for industrial plants that can sustain life and mature crops with a minimum of water and an elaborate life study of all such plants is under way.

QUEER CAUSE OF LAMENESS.

Maine Region Where the Inhabitants Have One Leg Longer Than the Other.

There is a hilly and indefinite locality on the border land of Poland and Raymond known as the Blackcat. Tradition says that this name was bestowed on the locality because in prehistoric times a wandering hunter from the coast settlements came upon a gigantic black wildcat and had a terrific battle with him somewhere in these hills. In course of time the country became settled, but the recollection of this battle clung to the hills, and so we have the name of Blackcat to this day, says the Portland (Me.) Advertiser.

A man traveling this section a year or two since observed that all the inhabitants were lame, or seemed to be, and even the cows had "a slouch in their gait." This so impressed him that he asked a native whom he met the cause of it. The native looked at the stranger and then at the surrounding hills and then answered: "Wall, you see, ther folks hae ter work on er side hill all ther life. They begin when they're chil'un and pick berries an' keep it up when they grow older an' plant taters an' cut hoop-poles on ther hills. Yer see, one leg has ter kinder stretch down ter giter footin' an' tother kinder shrinks up to 'commodate the first un, so, yer see, it's nat'ral ter go one-sided."

Fever That Seldom Dies Out.

Do you know there is such a thing as "newspaper fever" and that it just worms and burns its way into a fellow's system and remains there as long as life lasts? It is a fact, says the New Orleans Times-Democrat. Men who work around newspaper offices know it to be true. They know it is true not only to the men who work in the business, but many others who never happen to get into the business at all. There is an old legend to the effect that if a man once takes the Mississippi river water he will keep coming back to the same old river, no matter where he goes. It is the same way in the newspaper business. Taste it once and you have got it in your system for good.

LOCAL MARKETS.

Heppner Quotations on Staples Bought and Sold Here.

RETAIL GROCERY PRICES.

COFFEE—Mocha and Java, best 40c per pound; next grade, 35c per pound; package coffee, Libby and Arbuckle, 6 packages for \$1.

RICE—Best head rice 10c per pound; next grade 8 cents per pound.

SUGAR—Cane granulated, best \$6 25 per sack; do 14 pounds \$1.

SALT—Coarse \$1 per 100; 85c 50 pounds.

FLOUR—\$4 45@5 per barrel.

BACON—16@18 per pound.

HAMS—16@17 per pound.

COAL OIL—\$1 50@1 65 for 5 gallons; \$3 25 per case.

VEGETABLES.

POTATOES—1c per pound.

California sweet potatoes 4c per pound.

CABBAGE—2 1/2c per pound.

ONIONS—2 1/2c per pound.

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BANANAS—40c per dozen.

APPLES—3c per pound.

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