

CIDER VINEGAR.

Success Depends Upon the Use of Good Cider Made from Ripe Apples. Success in making good cider vinegar depends upon seeing that the starting point is on a solid foundation...

There is no trouble in securing good cider vinegar, if the apples have sufficiently ripened and remained sound and the starch has passed to grape sugar by the chemical action of the acid (malic) of the fruit...

In conclusion I will say to the reader: To be sure of having good vinegar, be certain you have a juice with enough sugar in it to form enough alcohol to be converted into acetic acid...

Abandoned Land in the South. There are in Virginia, the Carolinas, and some other Southern States, large areas of abandoned or partially abandoned farming lands...

When all the desirable agricultural land of the West is occupied—which is but a question of a few years—then these lands in the Southern States will receive attention...

Law Affecting Cows. An important decision in regard to selling cows under warranty was recently given in the Bolton county court in England...

EVERYDAY AFFAIR IN NEW YORK.

But the Sight of It Nearly Drove a Hayseed Into Jumping Convulsions. It was the hour of the day when Broadway was crowded to its fullest capacity...

When she approached the wire for the start she seemed to be going a little slow, but she soon increased her speed. She was working like a machine, and yet so easily and gracefully that one would hardly imagine that she was going at such a tremendous clip...



Clerk—Here are some very pretty colors, but we cannot guarantee that they will wash. Customer—It isn't necessary. I want them for a bathing suit.—Judge.

Unavailable in His Case. "You're not looking well, Hiram," said his mother. "If there's anything the matter you'd better go to that young faith-doctor. She cured me of rheumatism after I'd tried seven other doctors, and—"

Precious Pie. Bingo—No, thank you, dear; I don't believe I care for any mince pie. Mrs. Bingo—But, Henry, I have put in a lot of that brandy you brought home the other night.

Her Appearance Was Wrong. Wife—You made a pretty appearance last night! It's disgraceful. Husband—My dear, it was your appearance that made all the trouble. If you had not come to the head of the stairs, you never would have known anything about my sleeping in the hall.—Boston Transcript.

The Ideal Spot. Cobwigger—Where are you going to build your new summer health resort? Dr. Kilsau—Down in that place where I was shooting last fall, where I mistook the mosquitoes for snipe and where the malaria kills spring poets and book agents.—Judge.

Misapprehension. She—Did that burglar who was in the room last night get your watch? He—Burglar in the room! Why didn't you wake me? She—Why, I thought you knew. You snored so loudly.—Life.

A Proper Answer. Passenger (in express)—You are the most disobligeing porter I ever encountered. The Porter—Yes, sah; I knows dat. D's ain't no 'commodation train, sah.—Judge.

She Was Right. He (trippantly)—You bet if I were a woman I'd make up my mind mighty quick. She—Then you wouldn't be a woman.—Detroit Free Press.

NANCY HANKS BEATEN.

The World's Fastest Trotter is Alix. The Record Now 2:03 3-4.

Fifteen thousand people yelled themselves hoarse at Galesburg, Ill., on Wednesday afternoon when the great trotting queen, Alix, beat the world's record by coming under the wire in 2:03 3/4. The day was an ideal one for such an event, and the track in good condition...

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The cheering was prolonged and it was some time before Williams could quiet the crowd so as to make himself heard. He then announced: "You have witnessed the fastest heat ever trotted by any trotter on the globe. The first quarter was made in 30 1/2, the half in 1:01 1/2, the third quarter in 1:32 1/2 and the mile in 2:03 3/4."

Driver McDowell said: "It is a remarkable mile. She did not seem worried a bit by the effort, but came out as fresh as she went in. Her action was perfect. The whole distance I never spoke to her nor raised the whip. It was not necessary."

"When I reached the half mile pole I knew that she would break the record." "She was in the very pink of condition and so eager to go that she needed no urging. I therefore let her gallop her fixed gait from the half mile in. At the upper turn at the end of the third quarter I found the track a trifle spongy and I gave her second place; when I reached the homestretch I gave her the pole again. I was confident she could beat the record, and I wanted her to for Williams' sake."

The Judges gave the time out as 2:03 3/4, although one of the Judges caught it a shade less, and many in the audience had it 2:03 1/2. Jones was nearly smothered in congratulations. When he came here he predicted that this was the fastest track in the world, and that Alix would beat the record. He said: "I was confident Alix would beat the record. I knew what she could do. I want to say that I sold part interest in her several years ago to Monroe Salisbury. This is not generally known. She came in my possession when a yearling."

"I bought her at a combination sale at Chicago and shipped her to my farm at David City, Neb. She is now six years old. Her first race was at Beatrice, Neb., in June, 1896, then a two year old, I having trained her that spring. Last year she made a record of 2:07 1/2. The first trotting she did this year was in an exhibition at Council Bluffs, where she went a mile in 2:11 1/2. Since then she has gone on steadily reducing her record. I shall not start her again. I am satisfied for the present. What I may do I cannot say yet, but it belongs to some one else to beat her record."

THE VERY FASTEST MILE.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Sept. 15.—World's records went glimmering over the Terre Haute track, which to-day holds all but two—the fastest three heats paced and the fastest 2-year old pacing records.

There is hung up the fastest mile ever gone by a horse in harness. Robert J. 2:01 1/2; the miles of Nancy Hanks and Alix, each in 2:04; the world's record for 4-year old trotters, made by Fantasy in 2:06; the fastest six heat race ever gone by a 3-year-old. Expressive's great race three weeks ago; the fastest 2-year-old trotting race record. Oakland Baron's mile in 2:16; Whirligig's 3-year old pacing record of 2:10; the stallion pacing record of 2:03 1/2 by John R. Gentry and the stallion record of 2:04 by Joe Patchen; the marvelous mile by a 2-year-old pacer, done by Carbonate in 2:09 and his previous record of 2:10 tied by Directly.

Blood Spilled in Kentucky Over the Congressional Election.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Sept. 21, 1894. A bloody encounter occurred here this afternoon between Desha Breckinridge, son of Colonel W. C. P. Breckinridge, and J. Duane Livingston, a New Yorker, who is the Lexington financial agent of J. Kennedy Todd, the New York broker. Desha and Livingston were friends before the campaign, but Livingston has been a hard worker for Owens, and when he offered to shake hands with Desha in the lobby of the Phenix Hotel this afternoon, young Breckinridge began to abuse him in the bitterest manner. He finally called Livingston a liar, when the New Yorker struck him on the side of the face with his open hand, knocking off his spectacles. Just as he hit him a second blow that fell on his neck, Desha drew a large dagger and plunged it with it at Livingston's breast. Livingston threw up his right hand to ward off the blow from his breast, but the keen blade cut his third finger to the bone. He turned round to get away from the now thoroughly infuriated Breckinridge, and as he did so Desha kicked him several times. Friends rushed in at this juncture and took Desha away, while Livingston was taken to a doctor's office and had his wound dressed. He then went home. Desha went to his rooms, but was seen on the street about a half-hour later.

Matthew Lane, a young man from Mt. Sterling, Ky., who is a strong Breckinridge man, tried to help Desha in his fight and he is said to have also drawn a knife for the purpose of carving up any anti-Breckinridge man. A few minutes before the cutting occurred Lane and Desha met Judge George B. Kincaid on the street. Desha said to him: "The election is over now, and I want to tell you that you are a liar." Kincaid replied that he did not want any difficulty on the street, and that he was unarmed. Breckinridge replied: "Then go arm yourself and I will meet you at any time or place you may designate."

It is generally believed by those who know the fighting stock of which Judge Kincaid comes that he will attempt to wipe out these insults by attacking both Breckinridge and Lane. These two affairs have caused the greatest excitement, and the Owens men make no bones of denouncing both the attack on Kincaid and that on Livingston as being in bad taste, and there is so much strong talk being indulged in by both sides, that a tragedy is likely to happen at any moment. The district committee meet to-morrow at Frankfort to count the vote, and declare the nominee, and it is believed that the Breckinridge people will file some sort of evidence before the committee which may bring about a protest. They are keeping every thing quiet, and no one on the outside knows what they are doing.

Home, Sweet Home.

Hardly a face in the audience in a crowded concert hall was unmoved, and many persons were weeping. A great singer had just finished a wonderfully touching and eloquent rendering of "Home, Sweet Home." "It is a beautiful song," said a young girl to an older woman who sat next to her, wiping the tears from her eyes as she spoke. "Yes," was the reply, "and the sentiment to which it moves all these people is beautiful. How much happier the world would be if every one had as much principle as sentiment on the subject and followed out a plain, everyday rule, of making home sweet!" The girl turned thoughtfully away. She hardly heard the next song. She was acknowledging to herself that in spite of her love for her home she made it unhappy every day of her life by her willfulness and quick temper.—Exchange.

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