



JOHN R. GENTRY--Pacing Champion--2:03 3/4.

Owners, Holt & Scott, Burlington, N. C.

Driver, M. E. McHenry.

KINGS OF THE TURF

THE GREAT PACING RACE BETWEEN JOHN R. GENTRY AND JOE PATCHEN.

ON THE CHICAGO TRACK TO-DAY.

The North Carolina Pacer from the Alamance Farm will take the measure of the Stout Black Son of Patchen Wilkes--Both the Tar Heel and the Kansas Horse are in Good Shape, and it will be a Race Such as the World has Never Before Seen.

Saturday at Sheephead track in New York the great Futurity race will be pulled off with about thirty entries; but to-day will be perhaps the greatest day in turf circles. The Northwestern Breeders' association of Chicago have slated for to-day a race between the world's two greatest pacing stallions, John R. Gentry and Joe Patchen, and the drivers of the two horses promise that it will be a great race and that the pacing record will be cratched.

On the track at Washington Park, races which have attracted the attention of the whole racing world have been pulled off, but yet the track is not one on which low records have been made, and is, when in its best condition, considered several seconds slow when compared to the Freeport and Terre Haute tracks.

John R. Gentry.

John R. Gentry, 2:03 3/4, the king of all the pacing stallions of the world, has his home at L. Banks Holt's Alamance farm, in North Carolina, and is owned by L. Banks Holt and J. F. Scott. He is a handsome bay stallion, perfectly formed, gentle and kind, every inch an aristocrat, with the courage of a lion and the speed of a cyclone. At three years old, in the campaign of '92, he won every race in which he started--all except one against aged horses. He retired with a record of 2:13.

Last year, 1894, he went into the grand circuit. At Detroit he won three straight heats against Vassar 2:07, Moonstone 2:09 1/2, Seal 2:08 3/4, and nine others. At Terre Haute he jogged out a three straight heat victory. At Indianapolis he won a great race, and at Terre Haute met and conquered the great Hal Bradin, pacing the third heat in 2:08 3/4, the fastest mile ever paced by a stallion.

At Nashville he met Robt. J., the whirl-wind of pacing geldings in the now famous dead heat of 2:04, which five thousand people who were present declared should have been given to the famous North Carolina stallion.

Gentry is entered on the grand circuit this year, and his campaigner and driver, Mr. M. H. McHenry, and about one half the balance of the world are looking for a two minute mark if such a record be necessary to make him king of all pacers. On July 24 h, at Freeport, Ill., he met Joe Patchen in his first and only race of the season, and carried away the scalp of his antagonist, making the first half of the first heat in 59 1/2 seconds, the fastest half-mile ever paced in public. He has not been against his record this year, but McHenry has him in as fine condition as the stallion has ever known. Gentry is the head of the Alamance

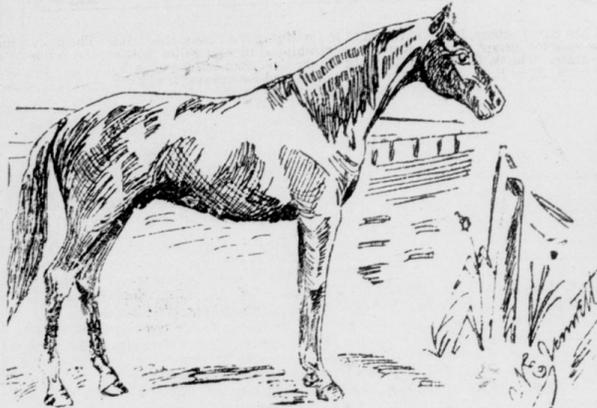


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farm and is an honor not only to North Carolina, but to the world.

Joe Patchen's Record.

Joe Patchen, the big black Kansas pacing stallion, owned by Col. J. Taylor, of St. Louis, that has twice beaten Robert J., has had a remarkable career. His first race, in 1893, he won over a big field and made a record of 2:19 1/4 in a third heat. Then catarrhal fever attacked him and practically laid him up for the balance of the season. June 1st, 1894, he was taken out of the stud and on July 12th won the 2:15 pace at Davenport, Ia., in straight heats, cutting his record to 2:12. Five days after he



JOE PATCHEN--Pacer--2:04.

Owner, J. G. Taylor, Chebanse, Ill.

Driver, Jack Curry.

defeated a field of sixteen in the 2:18 class at Detroit, pacing his fastest heat in 2:13 1/4. He was next at Cleveland, where he won the 2:20 class in straight heats, twelve others starting, and his time was 2:11 3/4, 2:10 1/4, 2:10. At Buffalo, August 1, he won the 2:20 class, also in straight heats, in 2:12, 2:12, 2:11 3/4, and had a good field to beat. August 11th, at the same meeting, he beat John R. Gentry, Moonstone and Lucile H. in straight heats in 2:09 3/4, 2:09 1/4, 2:09 1/4. Maybe that was not a race! Over a track hammered for years and years by horses' feet and not as fast as a great many, either. At Terre Haute, August 16th, he bowled over Rubinstein and four others in the 2:20 class in 2:06 1/4, 2:06, 2:09 1/4. At Chicago he had the first of his series of duels with the gelding Robert J., and was beaten. August 30, at Fort Wayne, he laid out Direction, Nydia, Morelia and Moubars in the 2:18 class, going the last heat, to give the people a sample of his quality,

in 2:06. He was next at Indianapolis, where he paced the second match with Robert J. The gelding won again, but had no walkover. In the first heat Joe was beaten a nose in 2:03 3/4, coming the last half in 1:01 1/4. The second heat was won by Robert in 2:02 1/2, with Joe right on him. In the third heat Joe was beaten a neck in 2:4 3/4. In these three heats, the fastest on record, Joe Patchen kept at his work steadily, while the gelding made a few jumps. At Terre Haute, in an easy mile to beat 2:05 1/4, he paced 2:04. Joe's next race was at Galesburg, in the 2:16 class, where he beat Frank Agan and three others in hollow style. At Davenport and Sioux City he came out second best in his contests with Robert J., and beat Strathberry at Des Moines. He then went to Texas. At Dallas he paced in 2:11, beating the State record of 2:12 3/4 made in 1893 by Lena Hill. At Taylor he turned the half-mile track in 2:09. At San Antonio, the next week, he lowered the world's half mile track record for pacers to 2:08. At Houston he beat Kansas in a best-two-in-three match in 2:11 3/4, 2:07, and at Dallas, December 8 defeated Ryland T. in a match in 2:12 1/2, 2:16, 3:09.

Patchen has been in four races this season, defeating Robert J. 2:01 1/2, the champion gelding pacer, in three races, but July 24th losing his scalp to John R. Gentry at Freeport in the fourth race.

Betting is even with an occasional 5 to 4 in favor of Patchen, and every man thinks he can name the winner, but "it is always the unexpected that happens." What the outcome of the contest will be it is idle to predict or even guess. But certain it is, that in all the senses of the word it will be a race for the championship, and a race such as the world has never before seen.

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The President to day appointed J. S. Hunt postmaster at Oxford.

Hon. Kerr Craig has gone to North Carolina to spend a few days with his family. He will then go to Atlanta to attend a meeting of the government board that have departmental exhibits in charge.

Arrivals.

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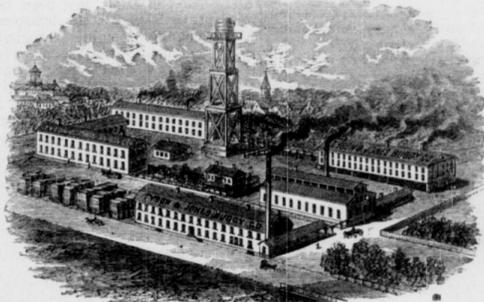
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