

## 1900 Royal Agricultural Society Show (Sep. 4-5-6-7-8)

There was an excellent representation of trotters. In the stallion section six of the seven entered came into the ring. The absentee was Mr. John Robertson's Granger Junior, who has been sold to a resident in the Horsham district. Osterley who is now 13 years old, was amongst those shown, and considering his years he was looking remarkably sprightly. He is intended to compete in the trotting competition, and was in consequence not in show condition. The judges quickly sent them out to try their paces, and Osterley's action was found to be as attractive as ever. Governor Tracey, who beat Osterley last year, was looking remarkably well, but his action is somewhat stilty, and he had to be content with second place to Osterley, the decision being generally commended by the spectators. Lord Collingwood, a showy chestnut sired by Osterley, was a good third. Emulator, another son of Osterley, has a remarkable attractive style in action, but he is small. The others shown were Harold Wilkes and Grey Hawk, both showing fair quality.

Four mares were judged, and Mr. John Robertson took first prize with the ancient Lucretia, who, though somewhat in the rough, easily beat the others on points and her action is still very pretty. Santa Rosa, a fine mare, imported from America a month ago, and who can be improved a lot in style, was second; and Miss Jeffrey (by Osterley) third.

The Draper, a colt by Osterley, took first honours in the class for colts and fillies three years old. He is a strongly built, well balanced colt, and a typical trotting horse in conformation. Two other Osterleys, Frank Robbins and Our Boy, took second and third prizes respectively.

There were five exhibits in the class for two-year-old colts and fillies, Lucile (by Osterley), shown by Mr. S. W. Gibson was an easy first. Lady Tracey, a daughter of Governor Tracey, who took second prize is only 10 months old, but very neat and promising. The only other exhibit, Mr. John Robertson's J.R. Wilkes, was placed third.

**Trotting Stallion (driven in sulky or buggy)** - 1st, J. Robertson (Melbourne) OSTERLEY; 2nd, A. Robertson (Glenroy) GOVERNOR TRACEY (by Ebony); 3rd, S. W. Gibson (Studley Park) LORD COLLINGWOOD (by Osterley).

**Trotting Mare (driven in sulky or buggy)** - 1st, J. Robertson (Melbourne) LUCRETIA USA; 2nd, A. Robertson (Glenroy) SANTA ROSA USA; 3rd, S. W. Gibson (Studley Park) MISS JEFFREY (Osterley - Kitty)

**Trotting Colt or Filly (three years old driven in sulky or buggy)** - 1st, S. W. Gibson (Studley Park) THE DRAPER (Osterley - White Rose); 2nd, J. Robertson (Melbourne) FRANK ROBBINS (Osterley - Mystery); 3rd, T. J. Dean (Moonee Ponds) OUR BOY (Osterley - Our Nell).

**Trotting Colt or Filly (two years old or under)** - 1st, S. W. Gibson (Studley Park) LUCILE (Osterley - Kitty); 2nd, A. Robertson (Glenroy) LADY TRACEY (General Tracey); 3rd, J. Robertson (Melbourne) J.R. WILKES (by Osterley)

**Champion Trotting Stallion (two years old or over)** - John Robertson (Melbourne) OSTERLEY

**Champion Trotting Mare or filly (two years old or over)** - John Robertson (Melbourne) LUCRETIA USA

### TIME TEST (three days)

1. A. Gunter's SILVER BOY (pacer) (by Era) 2m 28 3/4s - 2m 26s (eq. record) - 2m 25 3/4s (record)
2. C. E. Alexander's ALISTA (pacer) (by Osterley) 2m 28 3/4s - 2m 28s - 2m 27 1/4s
3. John Robertson's OSTERLEY (trotter) (by Childe Harold USA) 2m 29 1/2s - 2m 28 1/4s - 2m 30 1/2s
4. John Robertson's GREY HAWK (trotter) (by Honesty USA) 2m 32 1/4s - 2m 54 1/2s - 2m 56s



## 1901 Royal Agricultural Society Show (Sep. 3-4-5-6-7)

As is usually the case, the trotters were relatively a much better lot than the thoroughbreds and, in view of the success of this department of the show, the contention of exhibitors that the prizes should be increased is worthy of attention. The judges regarded the show as a first class one, the younger horses especially showing great promise. Osterley was again led in, and was quickly awarded premier honours, and also secured the champion prize. Digitalis, with Mr. W. Whitbourn as driver, excited admiration, but the judges did not even give him a place. Osprey and The Draper, both sons of Osterley, who take very much after him in character, were awarded second and third honours.

Mary Daly, imported by Mr. Alex. Robertson, appeared far and away the smartest trotter amongst the class for mares, but she is leggy, and failed to secure a ticket, the same owner's imported Diana Rose securing first and subsequently champion prize while Ocretia and Miss Jeffrey, daughters of Osterley, were placed second and third respectively.

Mr. Frank Brown, of Sydney, secured the leading ticket for a colt under three years, with a beautifully shaped youngster named Lord Byron, by The Duke, from Lady Byron, by Childe Harold. Of the four two-year-old colts entered only one, Ostrich, by Osprey, was considered worthy of a prize. Four two-year old fillies entered the ring, Mr. Alex. Robertson being an easy first, with Lady Tracey, a daughter of Governor Tracey. He also took second honours with Trixie Tracy, who is under 12 months old.

**Trotting Stallion (driven in sulky or buggy)** - 1st, J. Robertson (Melbourne) OSTERLEY; 2nd, F. Beamish (Werribee) OSPREY; 3rd, S. W. Gibson (Yan Yean), THE DRAPER.

**Trotting Mare (driven in sulky or buggy)** - 1st, A. Robertson (Glenroy) DIANA ROSE USA; 2nd, F. Beamish (Werribee) OCRETIA (by Osterley); 3rd, S. W. Gibson (Studley Park) MISS JEFFREY (by Osterley)

**Trotting Colt, three years old (driven in sulky or buggy)** - 1st, F. D. Brown (Randwick) LORD BYRON; 2nd, J. P. Hamilton Campbell (New Gisborne) ORTHODOX; 3, Wm. Missen (Truganina) TRUGANINA.

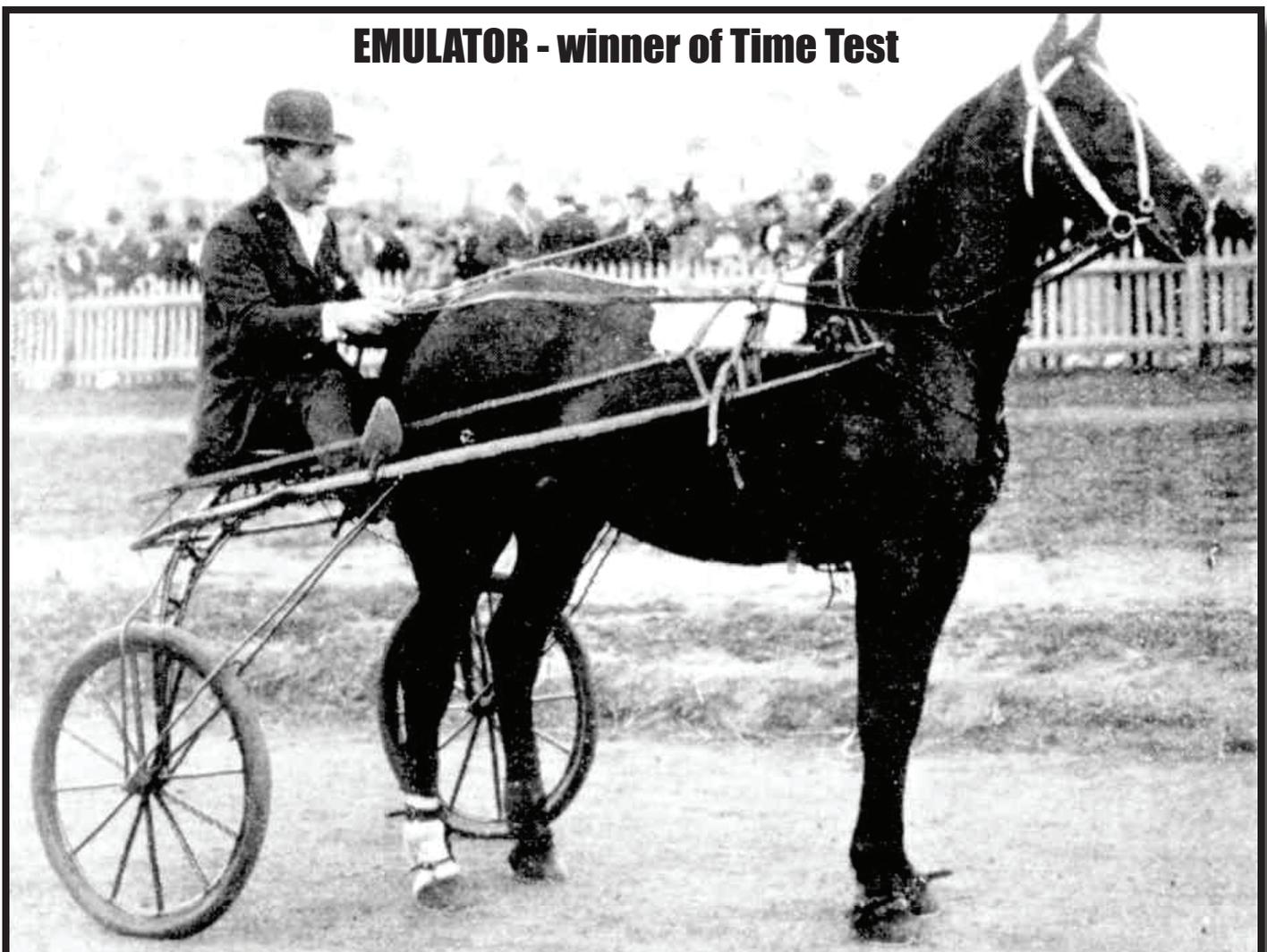
**Trotting Filly, two years old or under** - 1st, A. Robertson (Glenroy) LADY TRACEY; 2, A. Robertson TRIXIE TRACEY

**Champion Trotting Stallion two years old or over** - J. Robertson (Melbourne) OSTERLEY

**Champion Trotting Mare or Filly two years old or over** - A. Robertson (Glenroy) DIANA ROSE USA

### TIME TEST (three days)

1. J. W. Welsby's EMULATOR (trotter) (by Osterley) 2m 25 3/4s - 2m 26 1/4s - 2m 24 1/2s (**record**)
2. A. Robertson's MARY DALY USA (pacer) (by Daly) 2m 25 1/4s (**record**) - 2m 26 1/4s - 2m 25 1/2s
3. W. J. Beckett's LIGHTFOOT (trotter) (by Osterley) 2m 27 3/4s - 2m 32s - 2m 30 1/2s
4. J. Mills' DOLL (trotter) (by Lord Harold) 2m 37s - 2m 25 1/2s - 2m 26s
5. A. Robertson's DIANA ROSE USA (trotter) (by Daly) 2m 47 1/4s - 2m 46 1/2s - 2m 59 1/2s



**EMULATOR - winner of Time Test**

## 1902 Royal Agricultural Society Show (Sep. 2-3-4-5-6)

As usual the exhibition of trotters was more representative than the thoroughbreds. As was the case last year nine stallions were shown. Osterley carries his years well and though he is not quite as sprightly as of yore his action is there, and the the judges awarded him first prize, a decision that was generally endorsed by spectators. Mr. John Robertson, who owns Osterley, also exhibited the recently imported American stallion Owyhee, whose action was greatly admired, but he was in no condition, and failed to secure a place. Mr. Alexander Robertson took second honours with Governor Tracey, while The Draper, shown by Mr. S.W. Gibson, took the same place as last year - third.

Sihamba, a four-year-old filly, imported with Owyhee, took first honours in the class for trotting mares. She is rather light in the waist, but shows plenty of quality, and might easily be mistaken for a thoroughbred. Mr. Alexander Robertson's imported mare Diana Rose securing second honours, and Mr. W. E. J. Craig's Lady Derby (also imported) third honours.

The only three-year-old colt shown was Mr. John Robertson's Osterley II, who received first prize, while of the two three-year-old fillies led in Mr. Alexander Robertson's Lady Tracey was placed in front of Mr. Robertson's Silver Wilkes. Five colts two-year-old and under were exhibited. Mr. Alexander Robertson securing first and second prizes with Honest Robin and All Tracey respectively, while Mr. John Robertson was third with Golden Eagle. Only one two-year-old filly, Mr. J. W. Welsby's Jessamond, a daughter of Osterley was awarded first prize.

**Trotting Stallion (driven in sulky or buggy)** - 1st, J. Robertson (Melbourne) OSTERLEY; 2nd, A. Robertson (Glenroy) GOVERNOR TRACEY; 3rd, S. W. Gibson (Yan Yean) THE DRAPER

**Trotting Mare (driven in sulky or buggy)** - 1st, J. Robertson (Melbourne) SIHAMBA USA; 2nd, A. Robertson (Glenroy) DIANA ROSE USA; 3rd W. E. J. Craig (Heidelberg) LADY DERBY USA.

**Trotting Three-year-old Filly (driven in sulky or buggy)** - 1st, A. Robertson (Glenroy) LADY TRACEY; 2nd, J. Robertson (Melbourne) SILVER WILKES; 3rd

**Trotting Colt (two years or under)** - 1st, A. Robertson (Glenroy) HONEST ROBIN; 2nd, A. Robertson (Glenroy) ALL TRACEY; 3rd, J. Robertson (Melbourne) GOLDEN EAGLE

**Trotting Grand Champion Stallion** - OSTERLEY. **Trotting Grand Champion Mare**: SIHAMBA USA

### TIME TEST (three days)

1. W. J. Beckett's LIGHTFOOT (trotter) (by Osterley) 2m 21 1/2s (**record**) - 2m 24 1/2s - 2m 23 1/4s
2. J. W. Welsby's EMULATOR (trotter) (by Osterley) 2m 25 3/4s - 2m 22 3/4s - 2m 22 3/4s
3. F. French's SATELLITE (trotter) (by Era) 2m 28s - 2m 28 3/4s - 2m 23 1/4s
4. A. Robertson's DIANA ROSE USA (trotter) (by Daly) 2m 29s - 2m 28s - 2m 27 1/2s
5. J. Mills' BENTWOOD (pacer) (by Baywood) 2m 32s - 2m 33s - 2m 33s
6. W Beckett's NELLY W (trotter) (by Osterley) 2m 53 1/2s - 2m 41 1/2s - 2m 38s

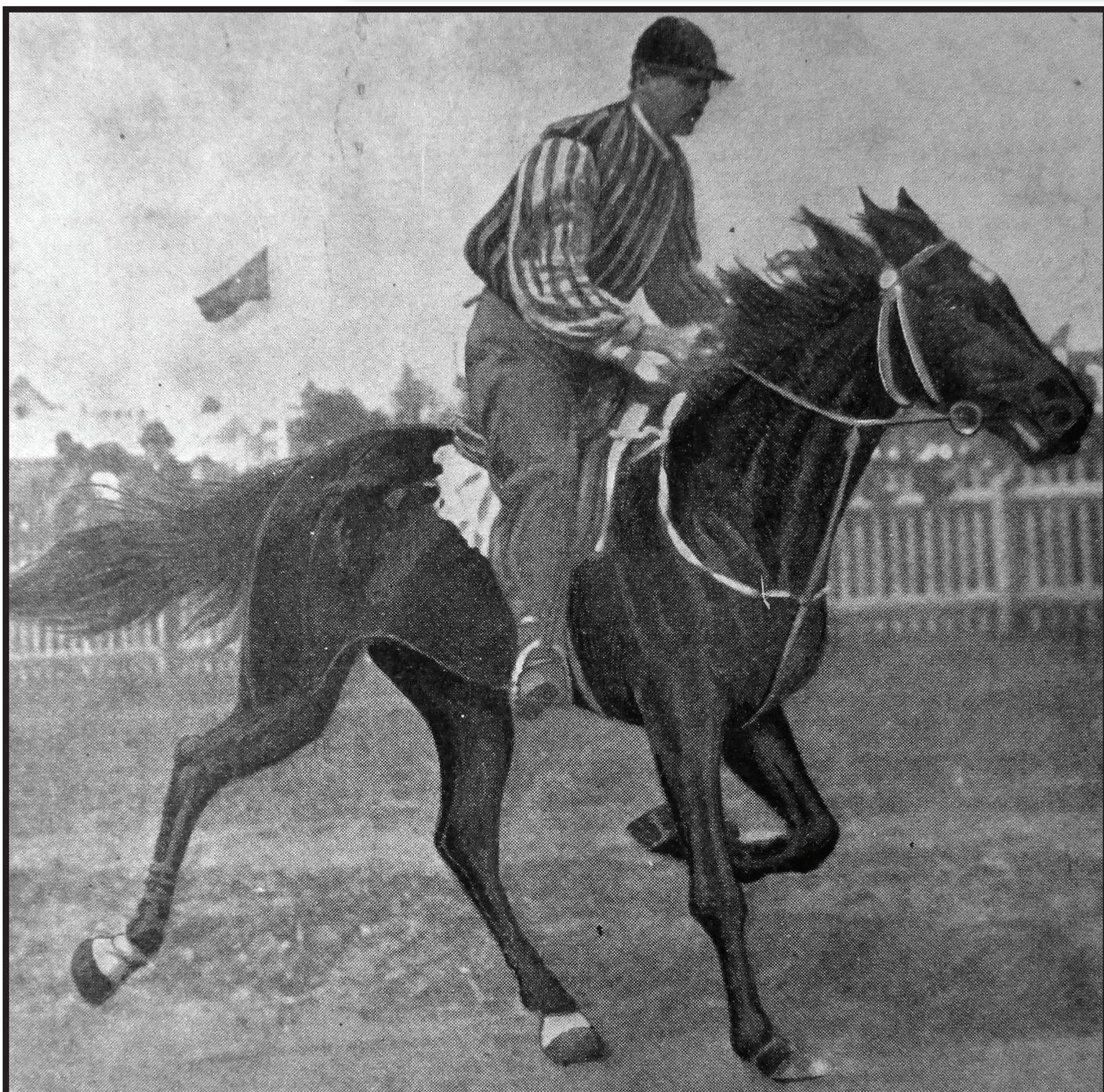
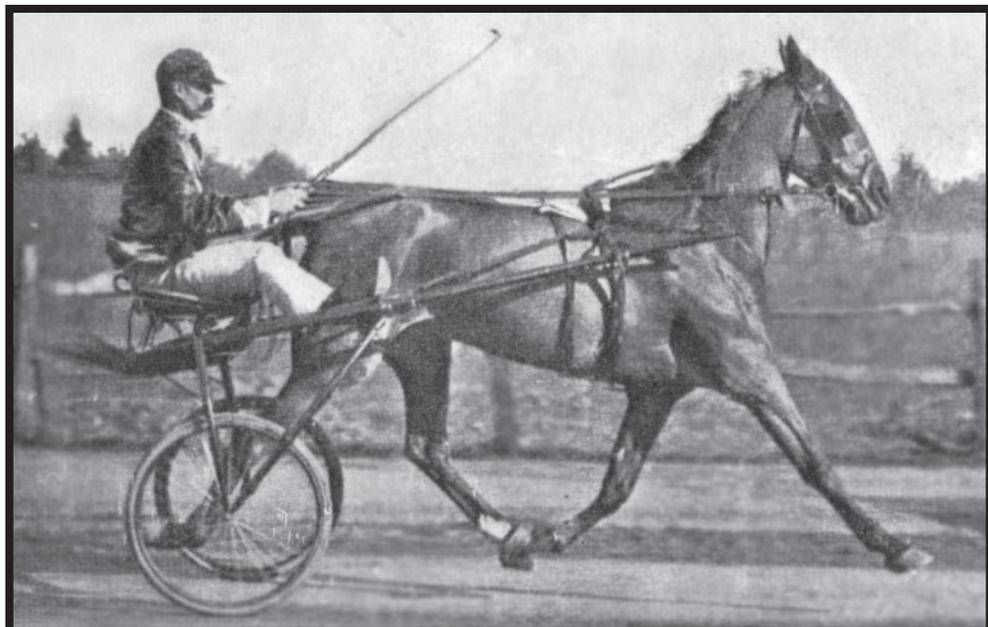


**PICTURED AT TOP:**

**American mare  
DIANA ROSE**

**PICTURED BELOW:**

**LIGHTFOOT SETS  
TIME TEST RECORD  
IN 1902**



# 1903 Royal Agricultural Society Show (Sep. 1-2-3-4-5)

It is doubtful if there has ever been a better representation of trotting horses. This section of the show has been improving year by year. Some time ago the competition was practically confined to a couple of owners, but frequent importations from America and New Zealand have considerably increased the material available, and the competition this year was very keen indeed. No fewer than 12 of the 13 stallions entered were shown, and a splendid lot they were. The horse that attracted most attention was Almont, who has lately been knocking all tiack records kite high. He is a nice horse in every way, and it is a treat to see him skim over the ground. He is, however, a pacer, not a true trotter, and this was taken into consideration by the judges, who awarded him third prize only.

Mr. Alexander Robertson, of "The Ranch," Glenroy, was successful in securing first and champion prizes with Governor Tracey, who was shown in perfect condition, his coat shining like satin. He is a true shaped trotter, and beautifully topped, but many of the critics took exception to his action as being stilty. The Draper, who is by Osterley, was second. He has an attractive style of moving, and shows as much quality as a thoroughbred. His condition was also first class. Osterley himself, who has taken first prize on five or six occasions (he beat Governor Tracey last year), was also shown but he was rough coated and did not look himself at all. He is about 17 years old now.

The sire of Almont (Rothschild) is it may be mentioned is a full brother to Osterley. The other stallions shown were Almont Pilot (a rather attractive looking horse), Digitalis (imported, driven by Will Whitbourn), Clark's Harold, Rex Derby (imported), James Elect (imported), Emulator, Owyhee (imported), and Don Cleve.

Four blood mares were shown and Mr. S. W. Gibson's mare Dorah, was awarded first, and subsequently champion prize. She is a fine class of a mare but trotting experts pronounced her hardly the true stamp of a trotter. Diana Rose a very neat imported mare gained second honours for Mr. Alexander Robertson, while imported Lady Derby was third.

In the class for mares (driven in sulky or buggy) there were three exhibits, Mr. John Robertson being an easy first with Sihamba who took first and champion prize last year. One imported mare Cariola was second, and a nice grey named Rosebud, by Osterley, third.

Three colts, 3 years old, were led into the ring. Mr. Alexander Robertson owned all three and the colonial bred Honest Robert easily beat the imported Dixie Alto. Three fillies, 3 years old, were exhibited, Mr. Alexander Robertson again being to the fore with Trixie Tracey, a daughter of the champion stallion Governor Tracey. The Osterley lilly, Rose was second but no third prize was awarded, the other shown being lame.

There were some very nice youngsters amongst the two year old colts shown but some of them were undergrown. The three placed colts - Talis B (by Digitalis USA) first, Len Osterley (by Osterley) second and an unnamed colt by Osterley, owned by Mr. M. Vallance, third, undoubtedly standing out from the others. The judges had difficulty separating them. Mr. Alexander Robertson scored again in the class for two-year-old fillies, Rose Tracey (by Governor Tracey) owned by him, taking first prize, Mr. John Robertson second with Rose Wilkes, while Emmatalis (by Digitalis) was third; they are three presentable fillies.

Mr. Alexander Robertson got first prize for a colt under one year, nothing being shown against him, and he took premier honours in the class for fillies one-year-old. There were only three shown in this class, two others who were intended to compete, arriving in the ring after the judging was completed.

The Champion Prizes went to Governor Tracey (stallion) and Dorah (mare).

**Trotting Stallion (driven in sulky or buggy)** - 1st, A. Robertson (Glenroy) GOVERNOR TRACEY; 2nd, F. Beamish (Werrabee) THE DRAPER; A. & J. B. Sharp (South Melbourne) ALMONT; 4th J. Robertson (Melbourne) OWYHEE USA.

**Trotting Broodmare (foaled or in foal) led into the ring** - 1st, S. W. Gibson (Yan Yean) DORAH; 2nd, A. Robertson (Glenroy) DIANA ROSE USA; 3rd, Riversdale Stud Farm (Heidelberg) LADY DERBY; 4th, A. Robertson (Glenrot) MARY DALY USA

**Trotting Mare (driven in sulky or buggy)** - 1st, J. Robertson (Melbourne) SIHAMBUSA; 2nd, Riversdale Stud Farm (Heidelberg) CARIOLA USA, N. Dougall (St. Kilda) ROSEBUD.

**Trotting colt, three-years-old (Driven in sulky or buggy)** - 1st, A. Robertson (Glenroy) HONEST ROBERT; 2nd, A. Robertson (Glenroy) DIXIE ALTO USA; 3rd, A. Robertson (Glenroy) AL TRACEY.

**Trotting Filly three years old (driven in sulky or buggy)** - 1st, A. Robertson (Glenroy) TRIXIE TRACEY; 2nd, Riversdale Stud Farm (Heidelberg) ROSE

**Trotting Colt, two years old** - 1st, A. Robertson (Glenroy) TALIS B; 2nd, J. Bannister (Geelong) LEN OSTERLEY; 3rd, M. Vallance (Bacchus Marsh) UNNAMED OSTERLEY COLT; 4th J. Robertson (Melbourne) GRAY BOY

**Trotting Filly two years old** - 1st, A. Robertson (Glenroy) ROSE TRACEY; 2nd, J. Robertson (Melbourne) ROSE WILKES; 3rd, G. Tye (South Melbourne) EMMATALIS; 4th, S. W. Gibson (Yan Yean) GRAY ROSE

**Trotting Colt one year old** - 1st, A. Robertson (Glenroy) MACK WHIPS

**Trotting Filly, one-year-old** - 1st, J. W. Welsby (Melbourne) ROSAMOND; 2nd, F. G. Whitehall (Footscray) THE HUMMING BIRD; 3rd, Fiskes Bros (Melbourne) OSTERLINE.

**Champion Trotting Stallion** - A. Robertson (Glenroy) GOVERNOR TRACEY (by Ebony)

**Champion Trotting Mare** - S. W. Gibson (Yan Yean) DORAH (by Gentleman George UK)

## TIME TEST (three days)

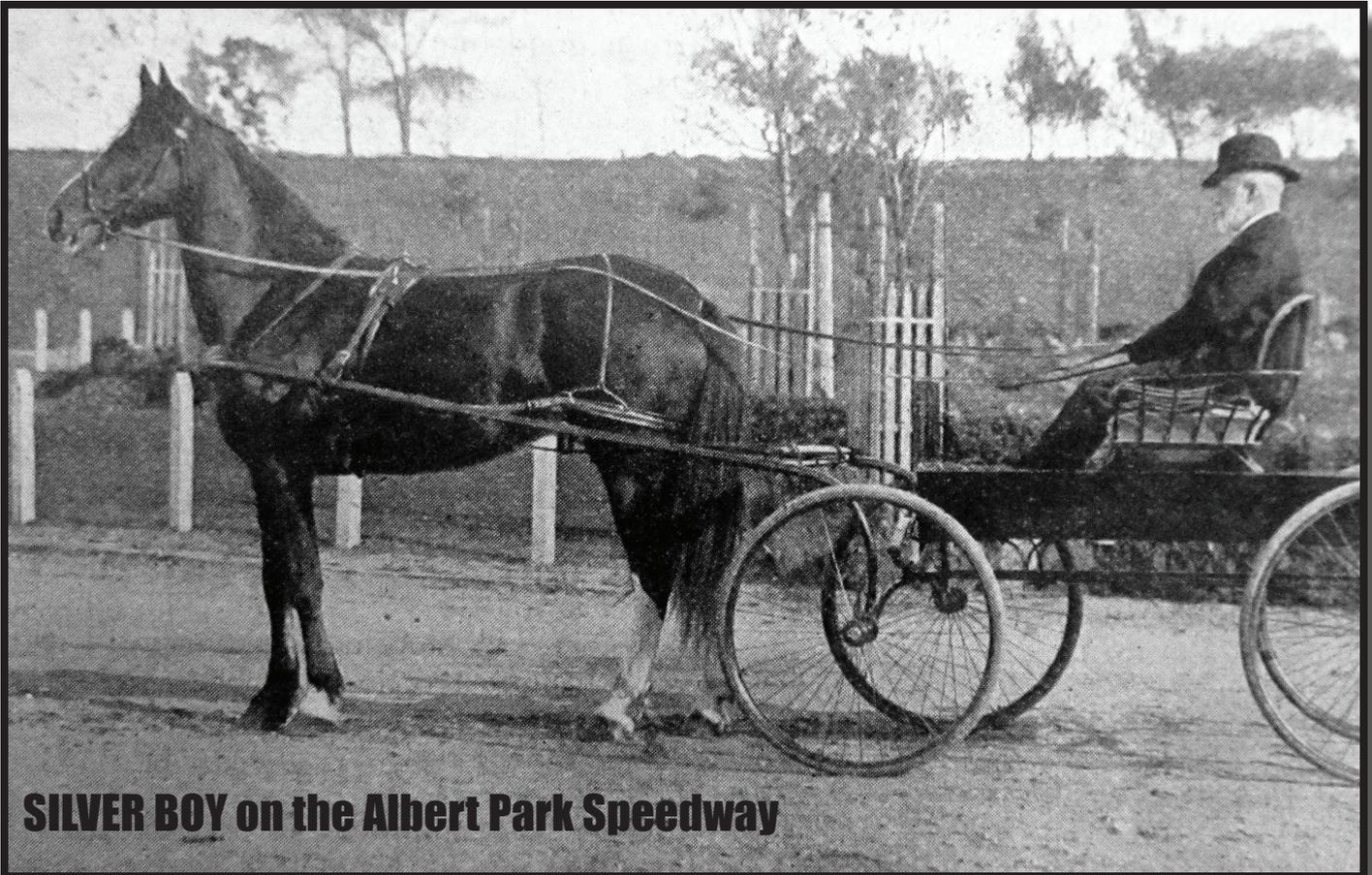
1. W. G. Sharp's SILVER BOY (Pacer) (by Era) 2m 36s - 2m 17 1/2s (**record**) - 2m 19 1/4s

2. J. W. Welsby's EMULATOR (Trotter) (by Osterley) 2m 40s - 2m 26s - 2m 25 1/4s

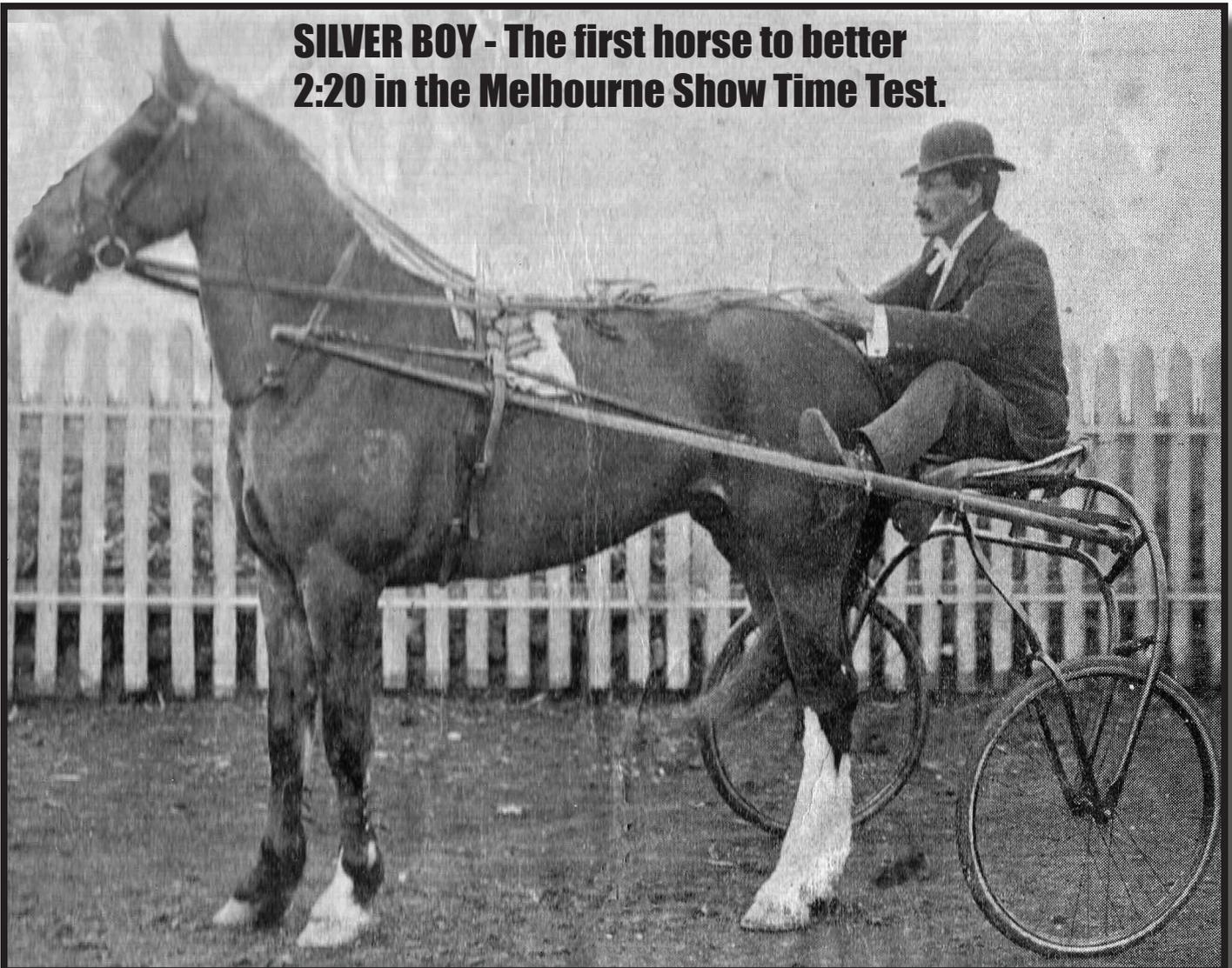
3. J. Swindle's CLAREDO (Pacer) (by Tuxedo USA) 2m 45s - 2m 24 1/4s - 2m 22s

4. J. Robertson's OWYHEE USA (Trotter) (Charles Derby) 2m 44 3/4s - 2m 27 1/4s - 2m 25 1/4s

5. W. E. J. Craig's INVERESTA USA (Pacer) (by Steinway) 2m 45 1/2 - 2m 30s - 2m 28s



**SILVER BOY on the Albert Park Speedway**



**SILVER BOY - The first horse to better  
2:20 in the Melbourne Show Time Test.**

# 1904 Royal Agricultural Society Show (Aug. 30-31; Sep. 1-2-3)

The enterprise of Messrs. J. J. Miller, John Robertson, Alec Robertson and others in importing high class trotting stock from America has resulted in trotters annually constituting one of the most important and attractive features of the show. This year the entries were even more numerous than in 1903. when Mr. Alec Robertson, of The Ranch, Glenroy, fairly swept the board, taking seven first prizes, which should have been eight, his imported American mare Diana Rose being placed second to a mare got by a Cleveland sire.

**Probably that anomalous award had something to do with separate judges being appointed for this year for the trotting section, which in previous seasons has come under the judges officiating in connection with thoroughbreds, Arabs, roadsters and hackneys.**

As usual the trotting stallions were a first class and numerous lot, including the three prize takers of 1903. The judges awarded first prize and championship to the famous New Zealander Almont, by Rothschild - Puella, who was only placed third last year, whilst Governor Tracey, the champion of 1903 failed to gain a prize. Mr. Beamish's bay horse The Draper, who was second last year, was similarly placed this time. The horses showed their paces under some difficulty on the heavy track, and had a prize been given solely for the best in this respect it would probably have been won by the New Zealand bred General Standish, by General Tracey - Grey Steel, whose beautiful free style of going elicited general admiration.

The first prize for brood mares was worthily won by Mr. John Robertson's old grey imported mare Lucretia, who carries her age marvellously, and looked better and brighter than when last seen in the show ring. When the trotting mares were again brought into the ring, however, Lucretia was beaten for championship by the same owner's mare Sihamba. Mr. Alec Robertson was second and third with Bell Baltimore and Lady Tracey respectively. Mr. John Robertson was also first in mares driven with the imported hay mure Sihamba, who in conformation and action easily disposed of the half dozen by whom she was opposed. Sihamba thus not only repeated her success of last year but won the championship.

Mr. A. Robertson had again to be content with second place in 3-year-old colts, although he had only one opponent, Oster, by Osterley, shown by Mr. E. A. Peacock, of Hobart. Like the majority of Osterley's stock, Oster bears noticeably the impress of his sire. When the 3-year-old fillies were being driven round the track Violet and Tripaway fell, the drivers being badly shaken. Mr. N. Dougall's chestnut Lady Don was awarded first prize with Nell Tracey, and Rose Tracey (both by Governor Tracey) second and third respectively.

The first prize for 2-year-old colts was won by Almont Ambassador, a shapely son of the champion Almont shown by Messrs. A. and J. B. Sharp, of Heidelberg. In the next two classes Mr. Alec. Robertson scored two firsts with Mollie Whips — last year's first in yearlings— by the imported horse Willie Whips from Mary Daly, he won first prize for 2-year-old fillies, and was first in yearling colts with Sandy Hook, by Dixie Alto USA, the dam of the winner being again the fine imported mare Mary Daly.

Mr. A. Robertson's yearling filly Alma Talis was, however, beaten by her only opponent. Why B, by Mr. John Robertson's imported American horse Owyhee from Lizzie, a daughter of Childe Harold.

**Trotting Stallion (driven in sulky or buggy, not necessarily for speed) - 1st, A. and J. B. Sharp (Heidelberg) ALMONT; 2nd, F. Beamish (Werribee) THE DRAPER; 3rd, J. Davis (Ballarat) GENERAL STANDISH**

**Trotting Brood mare (foaled or in foal, led into ring) - 1st, J. Robertson (Melbourne) LUCRETIA USA; 2nd, A. Robertson (Glenroy) BELLE BALTIMORE; 3rd, A. Robertson (Glenroy) LADY TRACEY.**

**Trotting Mare (driven in sulky or buggy, not necessarily for speed) - 1st, J. Robertson (Melbourne) SIHAMBA USA; 2nd, W. E. J. Craig (Heidelberg) LADY DERBY USA; 3rd, A. H. Morris (Camperdown) SPINAWAY.**

**Trotting Colt, three years (driven in sulky or buggy, not necessarily for speed) - 1st E. A. Peacock (Hobart) OSTER; 2nd, A. Robertson (Glenroy) TALIS B**

**Trotting Filly, three years (driven in sulky or buggy not necessarily for speed) - 1st, N. Dougall (St. Kilda) LADY DON; 2nd, T. J. Dean (Neerim South) NELL TRACEY; 3rd, A. Robertson (Glenroy) ROSE TRACEY**

**Trotting Colt, two years - 1st, A. and J. B. Sharp (Heidelberg) ALMONT AMBASSADOR; 2nd, W.D. Robertson (St. Kilda) PARAGON; 3rd, H. Carr (North Brighton) SHANDY.**

**Trotting Colt, yearling - 1st, A. Robertson (Glenroy) SANDY HOOK; 2nd, F. Beamish (Werribee) IWYHEE; 3rd, J. Robertson (Melbourne) O Y O.**

**Trotting Filly, two years - 1st, A. Robertson (Glenroy) MOLLIE WHIPS; 2nd, A. and J. B. Sharp (Heidelberg) THYRZA; 3rd, J. Miles (Maffra) BROWN COATS**

**Trotting Filly, yearling - 1st, W. A. Baker (Carlton) WHY B; 2nd, A. Robertson (Glenroy) ALMA TALIS**

## **TIME TEST (three days) (60yds short of one mile)**

1. Allendale Stock Farm's CHANCE (trotter) (by Camerons Chieftain) 2m 32 1/2s - 2m 37 1/4s - 2m 29s

2. Allendale Stock Farm's SILVER BOY (pacer) (by Era) 2m 35 3/4s - 2m 31 1/2s - 2m 28 1/2s

3. J Robertson's SIHAMBA USA (pacer) (by Charles Derby) 2m 31 1/2s - 2m 36 1/2s - 2m 37s

DNF. J. Swindle's CLAREDO (trotter) (by Tuxedo USA) 2m 43 1/2s - dns

**NOTE: Chance received a five second allowance each day as he was a trotter.**



**Time Test winner CHANCE at Albert Park**

# Death of Mr. John Robertson



Mr. John Robertson's cheery voice will be greatly missed at trotting meetings, and at the annual Agricultural Show in Melbourne. He was a great enthusiast in all matters pertaining to the trotter, and was a noted breeder, as well as a prominent owner. He never stopped at a price if he fancied a horse. Osterley, Mystery, and Lucretia were three well-known animals that he acquired locally by purchase, while he imported the stallion Owyhee and some mares from America.

Mystery, who was a pacer, got a mile at Moonee Valley in 2min. 25sec., while Osterley, at Richmond, trotted three miles in 7min. 30 3/4sec. Mr. Robertson was a sportsman in the best sense of the word. He liked to see his horses winning, but never backed them.

American Marshall Albaugh used to train for him, but in recent years Dugald Taylor trained his horses, and had charge of his stud farm, Truganina, near Werribee. Osterley sired a number of good performers, including Alista, Lightfoot, and Emulator, three exceptionally smart ones.

Grey Hawk and Granger Junior were two good trotters that Mr. Robertson owned, but it would take too much space to give the full list of his horses. Amongst the mares he bred from at Truganina were Red Rose (imp.), Lucretia (imp.), Silver Cloud, Mystery, Katie M., Lady Patchen, Primrose, Melba Briggs, Miss Huon. Black Sal, Miss Ajax, Patch and Lady Jane.

He won innumerable prizes at the Royal Agricultural Show with his horses. Mr. Robertson was a prominent member of the Australian Trotting Association from its inception, and was for some time its president. He died on Saturday 24th June 1905 at the age of 74 years.

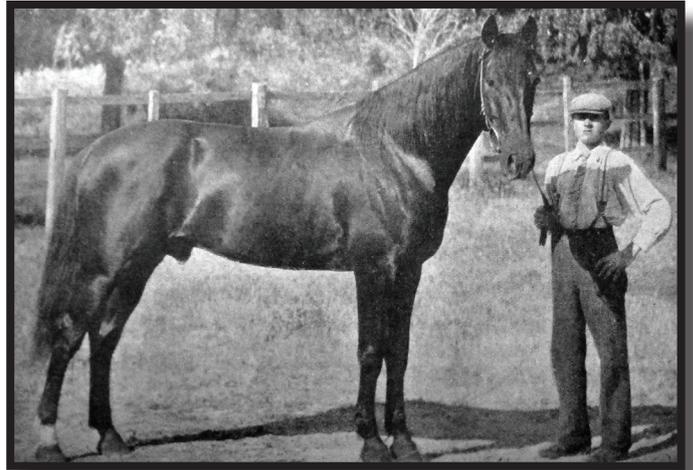
The funeral of Mr. John Robertson, which took place at the Melbourne General Cemetery on June 27, was attended by a large number of friends and acquaintances.

Mr. Robertson was at one time a very influential leader of the "fancy" in Victoria, and in his time—a matter of perhaps 10 years—exhibited canaries, pigeons, dogs, and poultry of all kinds, the latter including game, geese, ducks, turkeys, and peacocks. Mr. Robertson's aim was to always have the best of its kind, and having the means there was little in his possession but what was of the highest class. In addition to being an enthusiastic exhibitor, Mr. Robertson (until a year or two back) was one of the chief pillars of the Victorian Poultry and Kennel Club from its inception, and, with a few others, came on occasion to the rescue of the original society when times were unpropitious.

## 1905 Royal Agricultural Society Show (Sep. 5-6-7-8-9)

This is a section which for several years has been steadily increasing in numbers and advancing also in quality and importance. For many years breeders and importers who expended large sums of money in the endeavor to improve the quality of the Australian trotter— notably Mr. J. J. Miller and the late Mr. J. Robertson — met with very poor encouragement. More recently, however, the value and general utility of the trotter has come to be rightly recognised, and it is doubtful whether at the present show there could be named a more attractive or better represented section amongst all exhibits.

The trotting stallions this year were a specially good and numerous lot, including many former prize winners. Despite the calibre of the opposition, however, Messrs. A. and J. B. Sharp's New Zealand bred **Almont (pictured right)**, who last year won first prize and championship, was again placed first. Almont thoroughly deserved the distinction, being a beautiful horse, perfect in shape, color and action. Second prize fell to Mr. J. Davis's General Standish, who was third last year, and the third to Judge Huon, bred by Dr. Slate, and shown by Mr. O. Dutton, of Tasmania.



The trotting broodmares were also an excellent lot. Mr. Alex. Robertson, of Glenroy, took first prize with his fine mare Diana Rose, who won second prize two years ago. Mr. S. W. Gibson, of Yan Yean, took second prize with Dorah, got by the imported Cleveland stallion Gentleman George, and the third went to Miss Beldon, an imported mare shown by the Allendale Stock Farm, Mentone. Three mares driven in sulky or buggy — but not necessarily for speed— were shown, Mr. Alex. Robertson again taking first prize, with Coney Island, an imported chestnut by St. Whips - Zora, who is in shape and action showed to great advantage. Mr. D. Taylor, of the Truganina Stud Farm, was second with Sihamba, who took first prize last year, and the third prize winner was Mr. N. Dougall's chestnut mare Lady Don.

The trotting stallion Almont's son Almont Ambassador (out of Messenger Lass), also shown by Messrs. A. and J. B. Sharp, who was placed first amongst the 3-year-old colts (driven). Mr. J. Davies was second with Pedestal, who, like the winner, was bred in New Zealand; and Colvin Brothers, of Nathalia, won third prize with Tormore, a neat looking son of Kintore. In the class for 3-year-old fillies (driven), Mr. Alex. Robertson scored first honors again with Miss Whips, by Willie Whips - Pop; the Allendale Stock Farm's chestnut Eaglet, by Digitalis - Golden Eagle, was second.

**Trotting Stallion, driven in sulky or buggy, not necessarily for speed** - 1st, A. and J. B. Sharp (Heidelberg) ALMONT; 2nd, J. Davies (Melbourne) GENERAL STANDISH; 3rd, O. Dutton (Tasmania) JUDGE HUON.

**Trotting Brood Mare (foaled or in foal), led into ring** - 1st, A. Robertson (Glenroy) DIANA ROSE USA 1; 2nd, S. W. Gibson (Yan Yean) DORAH; 3rd, Allendale Stock Farm (Mentone) MISS BELDON.

**Trotting Mare, driven in sulky or buggy, not necessarily for speed** - 1st, A. Robertson (Glenroy) CONEY ISLAND USA; 2nd, D. Taylor (Truganina) SIHAMBUSA; 3rd, N. Dougall (St. Kilda) LADY DON.

**Trotting Colt, 3 years, driven in sulky or buggy, not necessarily for speed** - 1st, A. and J. B. Sharp (Heidelberg) ALMONT AMBASSADOR; 2nd, J. Davies (Melbourne) PEDESTAL; 3rd, Colvin Bros (Nathalia) TORMORE.

**Trotting Filly, 3 years, driven in sulky or buggy, not necessarily for speed** - 1st, A. Robertson (Glenroy) MISS WHIPS; 2nd, Allendale Stock Farm (Mentone) EAGLET; 3rd, A. and J. B. Sharp (Heidelberg) WAHINE.

**Trotting Colt (2 years)** - 1st, S. W. Gibson (Yan Yean) THE MERCHANT; 2nd, G. Vallance (Bacchus Marsh) OSTYMARSH; 3rd, A. Roberteon (Glenroy) SANDY HOOK.

**Trotting Filly (2 years)** - 1st, D. McLeod (Tongala) ROBIN F; 2nd W. A. Baker (Carlton) MAY B; 2nd, J. McLellan (Lyndhurst) ROSELLA

**Trotting Colt (1 year)** - 1st, J. F. Bedwell (Baulkamaugh North) GOVERNOR; 2nd, A. Kyle (Heidelberg) RALLY; 3rd, A. Robertson (Glenroy) THE BEAVER.

**Trotting Filly (1 year)** - 1st, A. and J. B. Sharp (Heidelberg) DUCHESS OF ALMONT; 2nd, E. Vallance (Bacchus Marsh) OYLANTA; 3rd, A & J. B. Sharp, LASS OF HARTLANDS..

**Trotting Grand Champion Stallion** - ALMONT. **Trotting Grand Champion Mare** - DIANA ROSE USA.

### TIME TEST (three days) (60yds short of one mile)

1. W. E. A. Edwick's VELOX (trotter) (ridden by W. A. Baker) 2m 24.6s – 2m 38.6s – 2m 24.6s
2. J. B. Zander's EMULATOR (troer) (driven by W. Whitbourn) 2m 30.4s – 2m 31.2s – 2m 30s
3. Allendale Stock Farm's THURLOW (pacer) (ridden by R. Lurell) 2m 35s – 2m 32s – 2m 30.6s
4. John Swindle's DON CLEVE (driven by P. Swindle) 2m 35.8s – 2m 32s – 2m 30.6s
5. Alex Robertson's BELMORE (pacer) (driven by W. Whitbourn) 2m 36.8s – 2m 38.8s – 2m 40.6s
6. John Swindle's CLAREDO (pacer) (driven by P. Swindle) 2m 40.6s – 2m 39.4s – 2m 41.2s
7. J. Madigan's REDFORD DUKE (pacer) (driven by N. Dougall) 2m 44.4s – 2m 43.4s – 2m 35s
8. D. Taylor's SIHAMBUSA (pacer) (driven by D. Taylor) 2m 35s – 2m 38 2/5s – 2m 55.6s

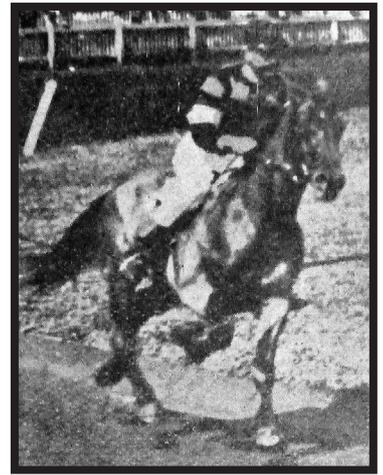
### PONY TROTTERS

1. R. M. Finlay's ALLY SLOPER 2m 49.8s
2. Fred Lang Jnr's DODGER 2m 53.2s
3. John Cooper & Sons' SIMULATION 3m 35s

# 1906 Royal Agricultural Society Show (Sep. 4-5-6-7-8)

Of late years trotters have become a steadily improving feature of the show, both in number and quality, breeders and buyers having evidently realised their genemi usefulness. The show of trotting stallions was this time better than ever, and the judges had a difficult and delicate task to perform in making their awards.

They adopted the sensible system of first deciding on the ineligible, which were sent out of the ring, leaving only five to dispute the three first places. Even then considerable deliberation followed before first prize was awarded to last year's winner, Almont, by Rothschild - Puella, shown by Messrs. A. and J. B. Sharp, of Jolimont. Almont, who is now ten years old, looked splendid, and the judges' verdict was generally and heartily approved by the numerous experts ring side. He is a very fine and typical specimen of a trotting stallion, and would be hard to beat in any company, combining perfect shape with excellent action and his remarkable pace has been frequently demonstrated in public competitions. Judge Huon, by Huon - Aristola, who took third prize last year, was placed second, and third prize was won by Mr. Alex. Robertson's well known horse Governor Tracey. Mr. Zander's famous flyer, Emulator, who looked well, was not successful in gaining a prize, though he was one of the five left in the final competition, the other being General Standish, who took second prize last year.



**VELOX - Time Test Winner**

The trotting brood mares, though not so numerous as in 1905, showed no deterioration in quality. Mr. Dougald Taylor, of the Truganina Stud Farm, took first prize with the American mare Sihaimba, by Charles Derby - Peronella, imported by the late Mr. John Robertson. Like the champion stallion, Almont, Sihamba is an almost perfect specimen of her class. Mr. Alex. Robertson's Rose Tracey won second prize, no others being shown, though four had been entered. Amongst the mares driven in sulky or buggy, Mr. Alex Robertson's imported mare Coney Island, by St. Whips - Dora, showed the most quality, and was justly awarded first place; and the same exhibitor took second prize with Miss Whips, by Willie Whips - Pop. The third prize was won by Mr. A. West's Lady Don, a neat chestnut, by Don Cleve - Bess.

Brooklyn Junior, by Brooklyn out of a Dirk Hatterick mare, shown by Mr. T. G. Purdy, of Footscray, won first prize for 3-year-old trotting colts (driven), Mr. S. W. Gibson's The Merchant being placed second and Mr. A. Ferguson's Oyo, by the imported horse, Owyhee, third. Only two 3-year-old fillies were shown, Mr. W. A. Baker's Why B, by Owyhee, beating Mr. A. Robertson's Dixie Anna, by Dixie Alto. The 2-year-old colts were well represented, and after some consideration the judges awarded first prize to Mr. A. R. P. Crow's Clevedon, a good-looking brown colt, by Don Cleve - Black Bess. Mr. A. Kyle took second prize with Rally, and Mr. A. Robertson's F.D.B. by Dixie Alto, was placed third. Messrs. A. and J. B. Sharp scored first honors in 2-year-old fillies with Duchess Almont, a neat looking filly, by the champion Almont from Duchess, by Berlin. Mr. A. Robertson won second and third prizes respectively with Miss Talis, by Digitalis - Jessie, and Lady Alto, by Dixie Alto - Duchess.

In yearling colts Mr. J. Willmott took first prize with a nice level made colt Bill of Hartlands, also by Almont. and the other two prizes fell to Mr. Alex. Robertson. Dixie Tracey gained second place, and Alto Whips third, both being by the successful sire Dixie Alto. Mr. A. Robertson was also first in yearling fillies with Nell Alto, by the same sire from that fine mare Mary Daly, and Mr. George Cumming won second prize with a brown filly by Almont - Belle.

**The trotting championships, for stallions and mares, were won respectively by Almont and Sihamba.**

**Trotting Stallion, driven in a sulky or buggy, not necessarily for speed** - 1st, A. and J. B. Sharp, Jolimont, ALMONT; 2nd, C. Dutton (Tasmania) JUDGE HUON; 3rd, A. Robertson (Glenroy) GOVERNOR TRACEY.

**Trotting Broodmare, foaled or in foal, led into ring** - 1st, D. Taylor (Truganina) SIHAMBUSA; 2nd, A. Robertson (Glenroy), ROSE TRACEY

**Trotting Mare, driven in sulky or buggy, not necessarily for speed** - 1st, A. Robertson (Glenroy) CONEY ISLAND USA; 2nd, A. Robertson (Glenroy) MISS WHIPS; 3rd, A. West (Caulfield) LADY DONNE

**Trotting Colt, 3yrs, driven in sulky or buggy, not necessarily for speed** - 1st, T. J. Purdy (Footscray) BROOKLYN JUNIOR; 2nd, S. W. Gibson (Yan Yean) THE MERCHANT; 3rd, A. Ferguson (Sydney, Now South Wales) OYO.

**Trotting Filly, 3 yrs., driven in sulky or buggy, not necessarily for speed** - 1st, W. A. Baker (Carlton) WHY B; 2nd, A. Robertson (Glenroy) DIXIEANNA.

**Trotting Colt, 2 yrs** - 1st, A. R. P. Crow (Yarraville) CLEVEDON; 2nd, A. Kyle (Heidelberg) RALLY; 3rd, A. Robertson (Glenroy), F.D.B.

**Trotting Filly, 2 yrs** - 1st, A. & J. B. Sharp (Jolimont) DUCHESS ALMONT; 2nd, A. Robertson (Glenroy) MISS TALIS; 3rd, A. Robertson (Jolimont) LADY ALTO.

**Trotting Colt, yearling** - 1st, J. Willmott (North Fitzroy) BILL OF HARTLANDS; 2nd A. Robertson (Glenroy) DIXIE TRACEY; 3rd, A. Robertson (Glenroy) DALTO WHIPS.

**Trotting Filly, yearling** - 1st, A. Robertson (Glenroy) NELL ALTO; 2nd, G. Cumming (Dandenong) ALMONT Filly.

## TIME TEST (three days) (60yds short of one mile)

1. VELOX (ridden by J. Wilson) 2m 18 1/5s - 2m 20 2/5s - 2m 20 2/5s
  2. DIXIE ALTO USA 2m 24 1/5s - 2m 27 4/5s - 2m 25 1/5s
  3. EMULATOR 2m 24 1/2s - 2m 29s - 2m 24 4/5s
  4. SILVER BOY (pacer\*) 2m 25 1/2s - 2m 24 4/5s - 2m 23s
  5. THURLOW 2m 26 3/5s - 2m 31s - 2m 39 2/5s
- DNF PLAIN G 2m 26s - 2m 31s - dns

**NOTE (\*) - Five second penalty each day**

## PONY TROTTERS TIME TEST - One mile

1. R. M. Finlay's ALLY SLOPER 2m 41s
2. A. H. Hunt's RHYSHAROLD 2m 42 2/5s
3. John Cooper & sons' EMULATION 2m 46s

## 1907 Royal Agricultural Society Show (Sep. 3-4-5-6-7)

This is a class which should command expert supervision, which is not given to it. The immensely increased interest which has recently been aroused in trotting has made it a more important section than ever, and it is distinctly one of the most prominent and popular features of the show. Owners and breeders invariably nominate liberally, and the time test trials account for a considerable proportion of the large assemblage of spectators.

In the absence of stringent conditions of qualification, however, roadsters and half bred are found competing amongst horses of standardbred lineage, and it is high time that such an anomaly should cease. Not only is it desirable that trotters and pacers should be classified separately, but it would be well to adopt the American regulations under which no horse should be allowed to compete without possessing standard breeding qualifications.

Despite this absence of regulation, however, the seventeen trotting stallions shown were generally an excellent lot, and so careful were the judges in their deliberation and discussion of points that nearly an hour and a half elapsed, before they ultimately made the award of first prize to General Standish, a fine upstanding grey horse by General Tracey - Grey Steel. After nine of the seventeen shown had been discarded, four were finally left in competition, and the second prize fell to Dan Patch, by Rothschild - Ruahine, who was shown in racing condition. Almont, the champion of earlier years, was hardly seen at his best, in the matter of condition, but as a true type of the trotting horse in appearance he might easily have been again placed first. He is, however, a pacer, whereas General Standish's trotting action is unassailable, a fact which may possibly have had some weight with the judges. Almont on this occasion had to be content with third place. It is noticeable fact that first, second and third all claim New Zealand breeding.

Amongst the trotting brood mares none had a chance against, two imported mares, Diana Rose, by Daly - Baby Button, and Sihamba, by Charles Derby - Peronella. The former, a very fine mare, was placed first, and Sihamba second., with Queenie, by Chieftain - Miss Yattendon, third. The best trotting mare in harness was Coney Island, a fine strapping imported chestnut, by St. Whips - Zora. An unnamed mare by Emulator - Jess, shown by Mr. James McFarlane, was placed second, and Rose Tracey, by Governor Tracey - Countess, third.

A good looking lot of 3-year-old trotting colts to the number of nine entered the ring, and the judges made a popular award in giving first prize to Clevedon, Don Cleve - Black Bess, who had the valuable assistance of Will Whitbourn's driving in showing his gait. This is a very nicely made and well grown horse, and an excellent mover. Another good looking one was Crown Derby, by the imported horse Rex Derby from Dauphine; and the third, Owyhee Junior, by Owyhee - Lucretia, did credit to his breeding. Only one 3-year-old filly, Duchess of Almont, by Almont - Duchess, was shown, but the judges were sufficiently impressed by, her appearance to express their special approbation of her as a typical trotting inane.

The best 2-year-old trotting colt shown was Bundoran, whose sire's name was given in the catalogue as Bellinda, from Dolly, and he well deserved the first prize awarded him. Dixie Tracey, by Dixie Alto - Rose Tracey was, however, a good second; and Woodside, by John Osterley - Romula, a creditable third.

The 2-year-old trotting fillies were not such a good looking lot as the colts, but the first, prize winner, Lady Derby, by Owyhee - Daisy, is a good shaped one; and so is the second, Miss Almont, by Almont - Topsy. Lady Dorris, by Owyhee - Miss Perth, gained third prize.

The yearling trotting colts were a mixed lot, and the, best shaped one, Arabian Bells, by Abbey Bells - Beauty, failed to gain a prize, probably through being on the small side, while Rosemont, a roan, by Almont - Rose, was on the contrary, remarkably well grown in height, but somewhat lathy. Belmont, by Almont - Topsy, filled the eyes of the judges for general conformation, and won first prize, the second going to a nice little chestnut by Emulator - Molly, shown by T. K. Bennet and Woolcock; and the, third to J. B. Zander's bay colt, by Mauritius - Cariola.

The three yearling trotting fillies shown were all by Owyhee, who carried off the honors amongst the sires of prize takers in the trotting classes. First prize was easily won by the Daisy filly Omega, who completely outshone her two opponents, Doris, out of Miss Osterley, and a bay filly out of Olista.

**The trotting championship for stallions was won by General Standish, and for mares by Diana Rose.**

**Trotting Stallion, driven in a sulky or buggy, not necessarily for speed** - 1st J. Davies, GENERAL STANDISH; 2nd, Allendale Stock Farm, DAN PATCH; 3rd, A. & J. B. Sharp, ALMONT.

**Trotting Broodmare, foaled or in foal (led into ring)** - 1st, W. B. Veirs, DIANA ROSE USA; 2nd, D. Taylor, KATIE M; 3rd, A. & J. B. Sharp, QUEENIE

**Trotting Mare, driven in sulky or buggy, not necessarily for speed** - 1st, A. & J. B. Sharp, CONEY ISLAND USA; 2nd, James McFarlane, Emulator - Jess FILLY; A. Cockcroft ROSE TRACEY

**Trotting Colt, 3 years, driven in sulky or buggy, no necessarily for speed** - 1st, A. B. Crowe, CLEVEDON; 2nd, Woodcock Bros. CROWN DERBY; 3rd, Ernie Batson, OWYHEE JUNIOR.

**Trotting Filly 3 years, driven in sulky or buggy, not necessarily for speed** - 1st, A. & J. B. Sharp, DUCHESS OF ALMONT.

**Trotting Colt, 2. years** - D. McKay, BUNDORAN, 2nd, A. Cockcroft, DIXIE TRACEY; 3rd, James A. Johnston, WOODSIDE.

**Trotting Filly, 2 years** - 1st, E. Batson, LADY DERBY; 2nd, James Finn Jnr, MISS ALMONT; 3rd, E. Batson, LADY DORRIS.

**Trotting Colt, yearling** - 1st, J. Pukes, BELMONT; 2nd, T. Bennet & Woolcock, Emulator - Molly COLT; 3rd, J. B. Zander, Mauritius USA - Cariola USA COLT

**Trotting Filly, yearling** - 1st, E. Batson, OMEGA; 2nd, C. Vallance, DORIS; 3rd, J. Cockbill, Owyhee - Olista FILLY

**TIME TEST (STALLIONS) (three days)**

1. J. B. Zander's EMULATOR (trotter) 2m 23s – 2m 27 3/5s – 2m 27s
2. J. B. Zander's MAURITIUS USA (pacer\*) 2m 27 1/5s 2m 24 1/5s – 2m 27 4/5s

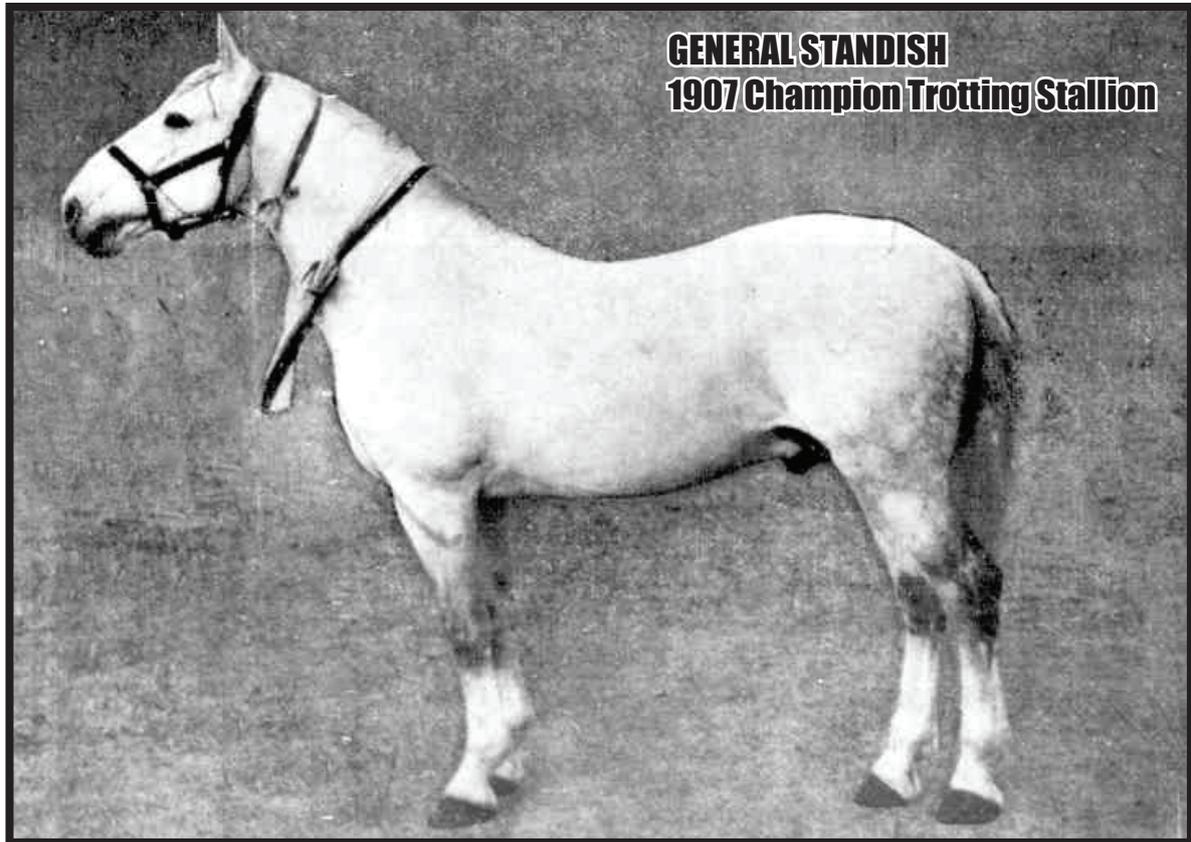
**NOTE (\*): Mauritius gets 3secs penalty against trotter**

**TIME TEST (OPEN) (three days)**

1. J. B. Zander's EMULATOR 2m 28s – 2m 24s – 2m 21 3/5s
2. J. B. Zander's MAURITIUS USA 2m 25 1/5s – 2m 26 2/5s – 2m 26 2/5s
3. Alex Robertson's HUON KING 2m 28 3/5s – 2m 31 1/5s – 2m 35 1/5s

**TIME TEST (PONY TROTTERS)**

1. A. H. Hunt's rnh RYSHAROLD 2m 35 3/5s
2. F. Long's DODGER 2m 50 4/5s
3. J. Cooper & Sons' EMULATION 3m 6 1/2s



# 1908 Royal Agricultural Society Show (Aug. 28-29-31; Sep. 1-2-3-4-5)

The trotting section is invariably one of the most important in the catalogue, and so it was on the present occasion. A fine lot of trotting stallions were shown, representing the best strains of American blood, and the judges made their awards without enforcing the customary display of gait on the track. After long inspection and comparing of ideas, they made a generally approved award in giving first prize to the Allendale Stock Farm's imported American horse Marvin Wilkes, by Don Marvin - Nora S, by Sable Wilkes. The winner is a fine type of the American trotter, showing plenty of bone and quality, and moving with a particularly free and attractive gait, as nearly as could be judged within the restricted area of the ring. Cleve Don, by Don Cleve, was placed second. and Judge Huon, by Huon, third. the famous Almont. who looked remarkably well was named as "reserve," in case of the disqualification of one of the first three.

In the section for trotting broodmares, the imported American mare Sihamba completely outclassed her two opponents, Winnie V. and Ethylin. The only two mares (driven in sulky or buggy) were Mr. W. B. Veirs's imported pair Belle Wilkes and Martha Arner, and long before the first prize was given to the former the ringsiders had unanimously anticipated the judges' award, the winner being a beautiful mover. Still more pronounced was the superiority in all points of the 3-year-old colt Earl Huon, by Judge Huon, who completely distanced Dixie Tracey and Bundoran, and the better of two moderate 3-year-old fillies (driven) was a brown mare by Almont - Bell, shown by Mr. G. Cumming.

The judges had a good lot of 2-year-old colts to operate on, class being well represented, and eventually they gave first prize to Messrs. Bonnet and Woolcock's Dictator, by Emulator, with Belmont, by Almont, second, and Otuhu, by Osterley, third, and equal in points and general appearance to either of the others. Mr. John Cumming, jun., took first prize for 2-year-old fillies with Polly, a smart looking filly by Brooklyn from the Honesty mare Nell, with Miss Dillon, by Harold Dillon, second, and Whyee Queen, by Owyhee, third. Mr. E. Batson had bad luck in this class, his two fillies, Omega and Ortona, by Owyhee, arriving at Buckley's-road station, where it was announced that a box could not be provided to convey them to Melbourne.

The yearling trotters were a fairly good lot, though of mixed types. First prize for colts was awarded to Mr. George Vallance's Oakwood, a nicely shaped chestnut, by Owyhee - Miss Osterley. with Earlmont, by Almont, second, and Winnipeg, by Dixie Alto - Winnie V third. In yearling fillies, Mr. W. B. Veirs's Enid Alto, by Dixie Alto - Mollie Whips, was easily first, and Babbie, by Cleve Don - Maggie second.

**The trotting championships were won by Marvin Wilkes USA (stallions) and Belle Wilkes USA (mares). Reserves:** Earl Huon and Sihamba.

**Trotting Stallion, driven in sulky or buggy, not necessarily for speed** - 1st, Allendale Stock Farm, MARVIN WILKES USA; 2nd, A. R. P. Crow, CLEVE DON; 3rd, O. Dutton, JUDGE HUON.

**Trotting Broodmare (foaled or in foal), led into ring** - 1st, D. Taylor, SIHAMBUSA; 2nd, W. E. Veirs, WINNIE V; 3rd, H. Bambridge, ETHYLIN

**Trotting Mare, driven in sulky or buggy. not necessarily for speed** - 1st, W. B. Veirs BELLE WILKES USA; W. B. Veirs, MARTHA ARNER USA.

**Trotting Colt, 3 years, (driven in sulky or buggy, not necessarily for speed** - 1st, C. Dutton, EARL HUON; 2nd, A. Cockcroft, DIXIE TRACEY; 3rd, D. McKay, BUNDORAN

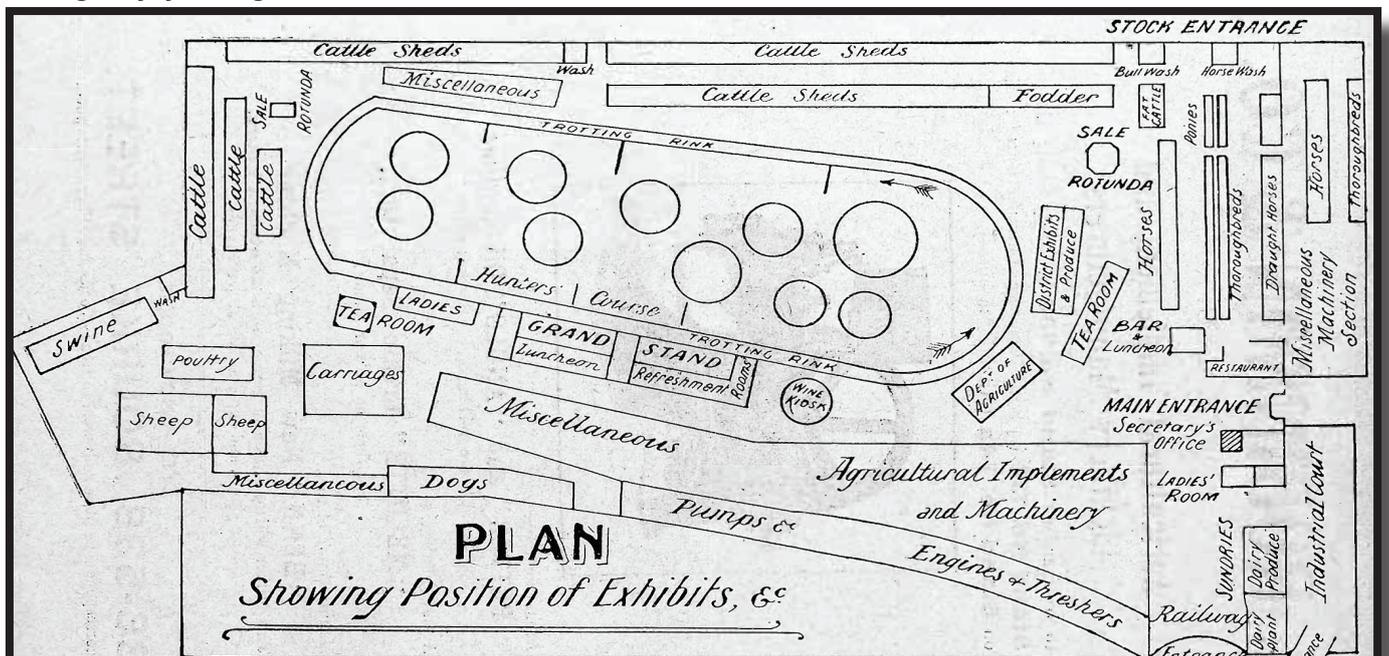
**Trotting Filly, 3 years (driven in sulky or buggy) but not necessarily for speed** - 1st, G. Cumming, Almont - Bell FILLY; 2nd - ; W. A. Baker MAY B

**Trotting Colt. 2 years old** - 1st, T. K. Bennett & Woolcock, DICTATOR; 2nd, J. Pakes, BELMONT; 3rd - W.A. McAnaney, OTUHU

**Trotting Filly, 2 years old** - 1st, T. Cumming jr, POLLY; 2nd, G. Vallance, MISS DILLON; 3rd, T. Prudie, WYHEE QUEEN

**Trotting Colt, yearling** - 1st, G. Vallance, OAKWOOD; 2nd, T. Prudie, EARLMONT; 3rd, W. B. Veirs, WINNIPEG

**Trotting Filly, yearling** - 1st, W. B. Veirs, ENID ALTO; 2nd, A. R. P. Crow, BUDDIE; 3rd, J. Witchell, TRIXIE



**TIME TEST (OPEN) (3 days)**

**First Day**

J. B. Zander's EMULATOR (by Osterley) 2m 25 3/5s  
W. Tredrea's BOLDREWOOD (by General Tracey) 2m 33 3/5s  
A. Robertson's RATAWOOD (by Wildwood USA) 2m 31s

**Second Day**

J. B. Zander's EMULATOR (by Osterley) 2m 27 4/5s  
W. Tredrea's BOLDREWOOD (by General Tracey) 2m 32 3/5s  
A. Robertson's RATAWOOD (by Wildwood USA) 2m 34s

**Third Day**

J. B. Zander's EMULATOR (by Osterley) 2m 26 1/2s  
W. Tredrea's BOLDREWOOD (by General Tracey) 2m 31 2/5s  
A. Robertson's RATAWOOD (by Wildwood USA) 2m 35 2/5s

**FINAL: EMULATOR 1; Boldrewood 2; Ratawood 3.**

**TIME TEST (STALLIONS) (3 days)**

**First Day**

W. B. Veirs' DIXIE ALTO USA (by Mendocino) 2m 18 4/5s  
J. B. Zander's EMULATOR (by Osterley) 2m 21 1/5s

**Second Day**

J. B. Zander's EMULATOR (by Osterley) 2m 18 4/5s  
W. B. Veirs' DIXIE ALTO USA (by Mendocino) 2m 19 4/5s

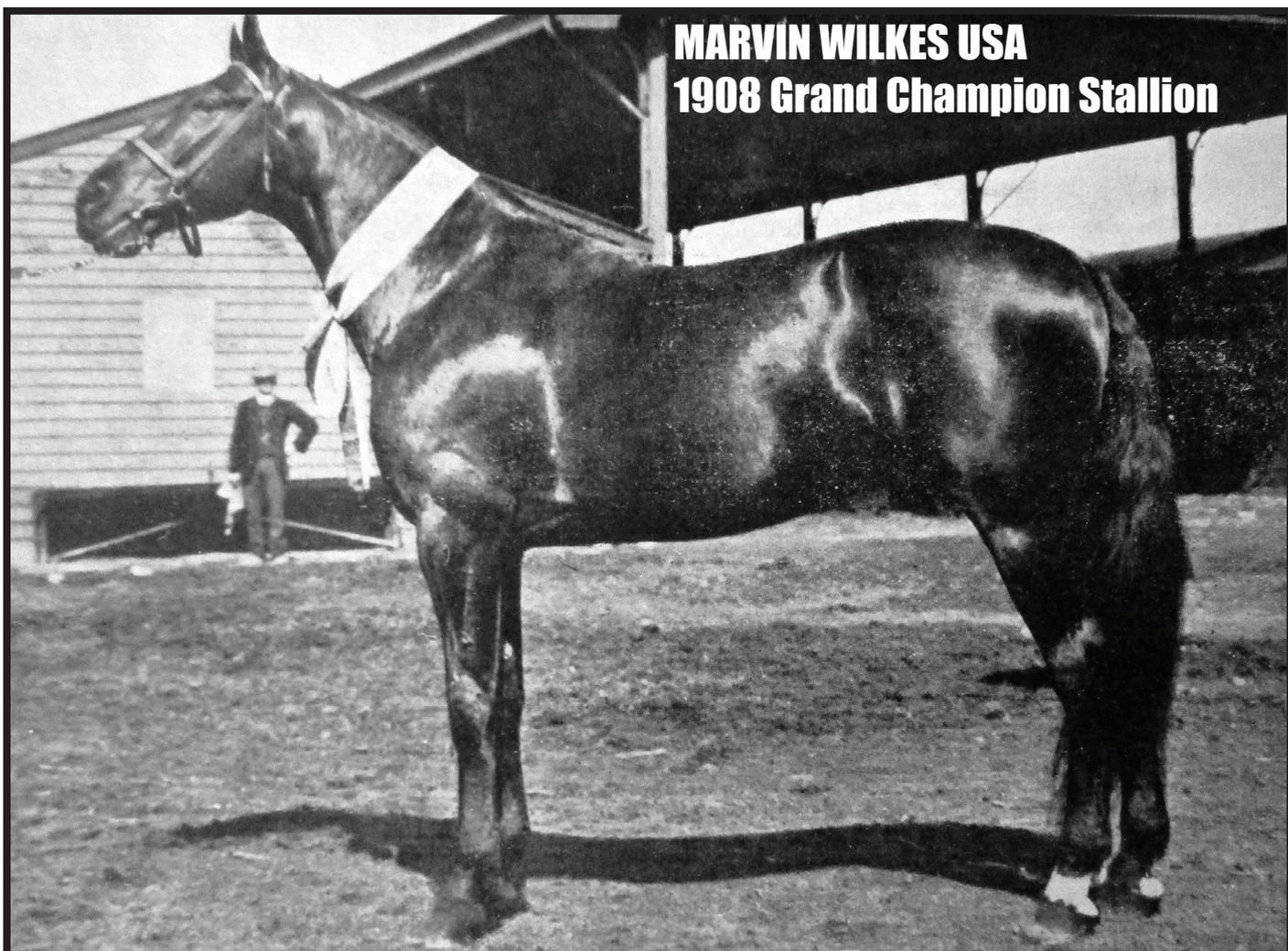
**Third Day**

J. B. Zander's EMULATOR (by Osterley) 2m 18s  
W. B. Veirs' DIXIE ALTO USA (by Mendocino) 2m 22s

**FINAL: EMULATOR 1; Dixie Alto USA 2.**

**TIME TEST (PONY)**

1. A. H. Hunt's RYSHAROLD (by Rysdyk) 2m 38 4/5s
2. T. Purdy's ROSE QUEEN (pedigree unknown) 2m 46 3/5s
3. J. Cooper & Sons' PANSY (by Emulator) 3m 1 3/5s



## 1909 Royal Agricultural Society Show (Aug. 31; Sep. 1-2-3-4)

Considering the present boom in trotting, it was surprising to find the entries for 'trotting stallions less numerous than they were last year. Quality, however, was, as usual, well represented, and the exhibits were sufficiently numerous to make the competition keen and interesting. Fourteen of the sixteen trotting stallions nominated entered the ring, and Marvin Wilkes, representing the Allendale Stock Farm, repeated his success of last year in winning first prize. The winner is an imported horse Marvin Wilkes, by Don Marvin— Nora S., and a very fine type of the American trotter, combining splendid bone and general good looks with excellent action, and experts at the ring side unanimously endorsed the judges' award. Another imported horse, Mr. W. B. Veirs's Dixie Alto won, and fairly gained, second prize, and the third fell to Mr. J. Davis's grey General Standish.

Two of the three brood mares entered were shown, and Mr. W. B. Veirs's Winnie V., bred in California, beat her only opponent, Mr. P. W. C. Palmer's Cora Belle. The same successful nominator, Mr. Veirs, won first prize for mares driven in harness, with the Californian bred chestnut Belle Wilkes, by Hambietonian, the imported mare Sihamba, who last year won first prize for brood mares, being second, and Cora Belle, who was shown in both classes, being placed third. Bennett and Woodcock won first prize for three-year-old colts (driven) with Dictator, by Emulator - Molly, second falling to Mr. H. Doig's Richard Cleve, and third to Dr. R. I. Loosli's Glendon. The first prize for three-year-old fillies (driven) was well won by G. Vallance's chestnut Miss Dillon (bred by Tye and Co.), by Harold Dillon— Nathalia, with J. Cummins, jun.'s, Miss Brookly second, and E. Batson's Omega third.

The judges sent four of the seven two-year-old colts shown out of the ring, and gave long and careful consideration to the other three. Eventually, first prize went to Weeho, by the imported horse Owyhee, a bay colt which took the fancy of the ringsiders greatly. Mr. W. B. Veirs's Harry Rose was placed second, and Oakwood, a chestnut, by Owyhee, third.

Mr. W. B. Veirs scored again in yearling colts, taking first prize with Charlie Boss, a neat little bay colt by Dixie Alto, and first prize for yearling fillies was won by Mr. T. Purdy's Mona, by Dan Patch, the same owner taking second prize with Bonny Lass, by the same sire. In the trotting sections generally, it was noticeable that the stallions and colts quite outclassed the mares and fillies.

**The championship for trotting horses was awarded to Marvin Wilkes, and Dictator was named as reserve champion. Mr. W. B. Veirs won the mares' championship with Winnie V., and the same owner's Belle Wilkes was declared reserve champion mare.**

**Trotting Stallion (driven in a sulky or buggy) not necessarily for speed** - 1st, Allendale Stock Farm, MARVIN WILKES USA; 2nd, W. B. Veirs DIXIE ALTO USA; 3rd, J. Davis, GENERAL STANDISH.

**Trotting Broodmare (foaled or in foal) led into ring** - 1st, W. Veirs WINNIE V USA; 2nd, P. W. Palmer, CORA BELLE

**Trotting Broodmare (driven in sulky or buggy), not necessarily for speed** - 1st, W. B. Veirs BELLE WILKES USA; 2nd, D. Taylor, SIHAMBA USA; 3rd, P. W. C. Palmer, CORA BELLE.

**Colt, 3 years (driven in sulky or buggy), not necessarily for speed** - 1st, T. K. Bennett and Woodcock, DICTATOR; 2nd, H. Doig, RICHARD CLEVE; 3rd, Dr. R. Lossli, GLENDON.

**Filly, 3 years (driven in sulky or buggy), not necessarily for speed** - 1st, G. Vallance, MISS DILLON; 2nd, J. Cummins jnr, MISS BROOKLYN; 3rd, E. Batson, OMEGA.

**Colt, 2 years** - 1st, W. D. McFarlane, WEEBO; 2nd, W. B. Veirs, HARRY ROSE; 3rd, G. Vallance, OAKWOOD.

**Filly, 2 years** - 1st, W. B. Veirs, ENID ALTO; 2nd, A. Vinnicombe, W.H.Y.; 3rd, J. B. Zander, UNNAMED Emulator Filly

**Colt, yearling** - 1st, W. Veirs, CHARLIE BOSS; 2nd, G. Vallance, PAOLO ALTO; 3rd, A. Witchell, SIR HAMBLETONIAN

**Filly, yearling** - 1st, T. Purdy, MONA; 2nd, T. Purdy, BONNY LASS; 3rd, T. McCallum, UNNAMED.

### TIME TEST (OPEN) (3 days)

1. J. B. Zander's EMULATOR 2m 24s - 2m 26 2/5s - 2m 24 1/5
  2. W. B. Veirs' DIXIE ALTO USA 2m 27s - 2m 31 2/5s - 2m 23 4/5s
  3. J. Beamish jnr's NELLY B 2m 28 2/5s - 2m 27 3/5s - 2m 21s
- W. Kenny's AUSTERLITZ 2m 29s - 2m 29 4/5s - 2m 24 1/5s

### TIME TEST (2YO) (2 days)

1. J. B. Zander's f, Mauritius - Ruby Wilkes (Later named Ruby Melba) 3m 30s - 3m 15s
2. J. B. Zander's c, Mauritius - Lottie Derby (later named Muriel Derby) 3m 12s - 3m 07.4s

### TIME TEST (2:30) (3 days)

W. E. J. Craigs YOU AND I 2m 46 2/5s - 2m 41 4/5s - 2m 35s

### TIME TEST (MARES) (2 days)

J Beamishs NELLY B 2m 49s - 2m 20 1/4s

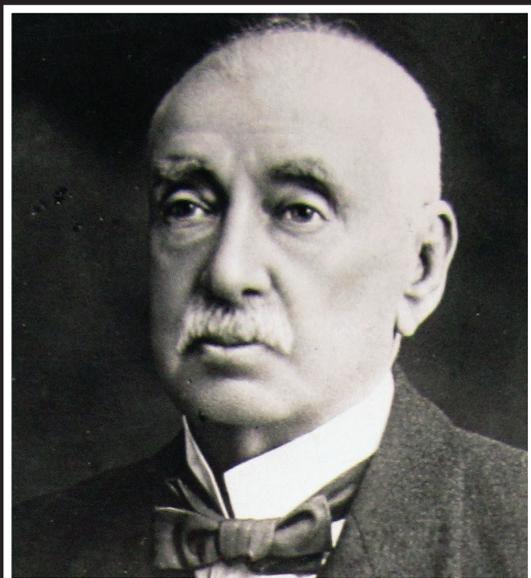


**EMULATOR - winner of the Open Time Test**

### TIME TEST (PONY)

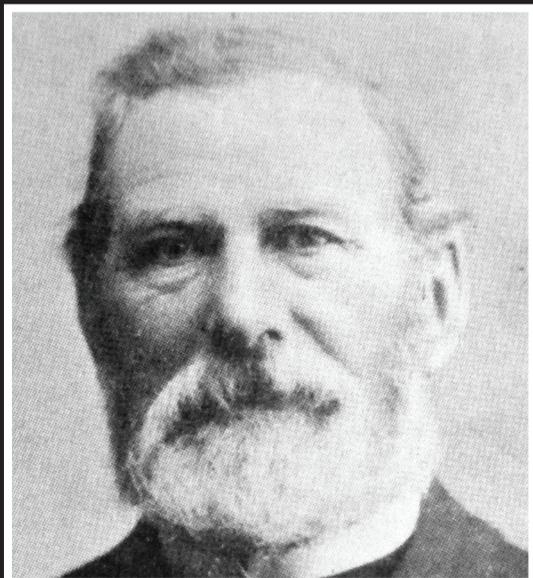
1. Robert Ridley's NIMBLE LADY TT2m43s
2. R. H. Findlay's ALLY SLOPER TT2m 52 3/5s
3. T. Purdy's ROSE QUEEN TT2m 54 3/5s

# TROTTING LUMINARIES



**Top Left:**  
**JAMES A. ROBERTS**

**Top Right:**  
**JAMES J. MILLER**



**Middle Left:**  
**JOHN ROBERTSON**

**Bottom Left:**  
**WILL WHITBOURN**

**Bottom Right**  
**JOHANNES B. ZANDER**

