morning found me lying comfortably unconscious by the roadside, and brought me to my home. I awoke to find myself in bed. My horse had got free from the smashed up buggy, and was standing at the stable door at daybreak.

In explaining how the accident occurred, I have never mentioned the phantom driver. My horse ran away, and the buggy was upset; that was the truth, certainly, even if it was not the whole truth. It would never do to encourage ignorant superstition among the colored people and others by the recital of the actual facts as they occurred that dreadful night, nor do I myself care to think much on the subject.

I do not comprehend it, that is all.

Nevertheless, I avoid driving alone on the Y — town pike in the late fall and winter.

Wilton Lewis

[*See Large Supplement.*]

WILLIAMS STOCK FARM.

Douglass Harold 12257.

Douglass Harold, the property of Mr. Hopkin Williams, of Plymouth, Wayne County, Mich., is by Harold, the sire of Maud S., 2:08¾ and Lord Russell, sire of Kremlin, 2:09¾, and a total of forty-one 2:30 performers. Harold's sons have produced forty-four 2:30 performers and his daughters nineteen performers, of which Bicara is the dam of Pancoast, 2:21¾, the sire of Patron, 2:14¼. The dam of Douglass Harold is Gip D. by Stephen A. Douglass 422, the sire of Handicap, 2:22, and eight other 2:30 performers.

It will be seen that his breeding is the very height of fashion. His two-lines to Hambletonian 10, the greatest transmitter of trotting and pacing speed that ever lived, considering his day; and four-lines to Abdallah makes him densely inbred in the fashionable blood that has given the turf such noted performers as Maud S., Sunol, Palo Alto, the great Arion (two years 2:10¾), Bell Bird (one year 2:26¼), Goldsmith's Maid, Jay-Eye-See, St. Julian and the great inbred race mare Nancy Hanks 2:04; in fact most of the bright stars of the turf are bred much like Douglass Harold.

This handsome son of Harold is a graceful mover, with good knee action, and a highly finished conformation, with a fine mane and tail; color, seal brown; height, 15¾ hands; weight, 1,100. He was foaled at Woodburn Farm, June 19, 1886, and through his veins courses the richest trotting blood, the blood that has produced, we may say, nearly all the great trotters, for the inbred Hambletonians still hold the sway of speed and speed-producing power.

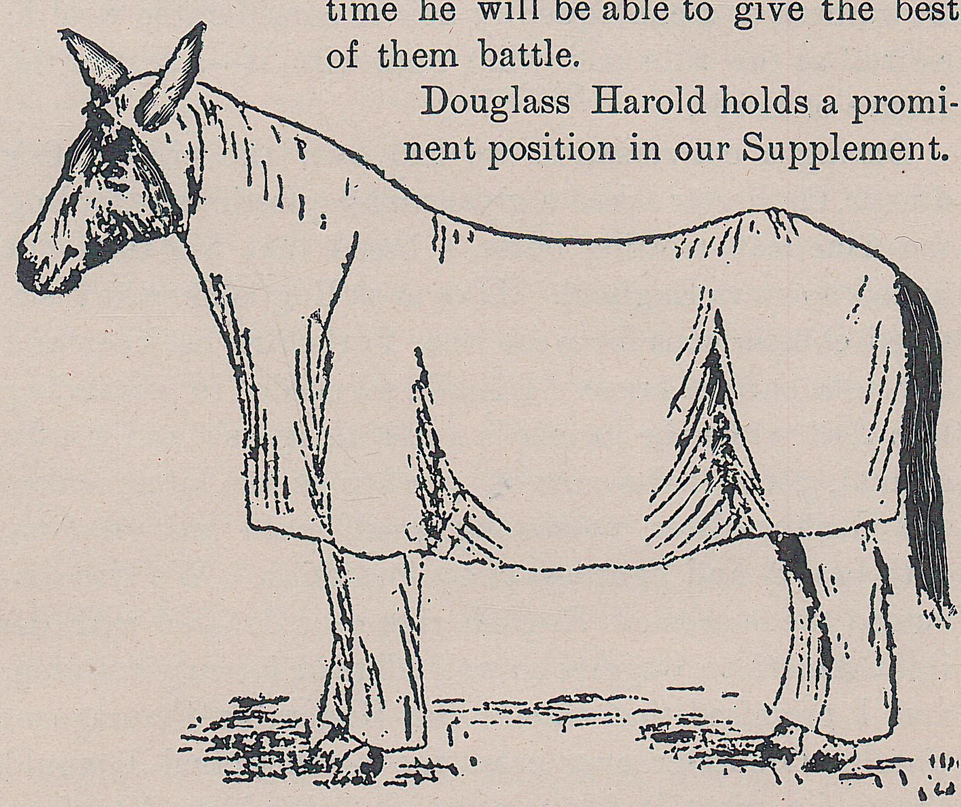
In his breeding will be seen that which has not only produced speed most regularly but that which has produced great dams as well as sires. Douglass Harold has every appearance of a great trotter and a great sire, and the few colts by him since his entry into the stud in 1891, have every evidence of becoming great trotters. In fact their size and style cannot be improved on.

Mr. Williams' farm comprises 170 acres of the finest land in Michigan four miles from Plymouth. It is fenced in fine shape, and his buildings are the very best. Among other stock he has seven richly bred mares in foal to Douglass Harold, and if breeding goes for anything some of this stock will be heard from.

Forty approved outside mares will be bred to Douglass Harold this season at the very low price of $50.00 to insure, and mares will be pastured at 50 cents per week. Our readers are invited to write to Mr. Williams for full particulars.

A point that one must not overlook is the fact that Harold, of all living sires, has produced through his sons and daughters more speed than any other family of a second generation. Therefore, being closely related to such great performers as Maud S., Nancy Hanks, Martha Wilkes, Stamboul, Direct, Johnson, Roy Wilkes, etc., and being by Harold, whose sons have done so nobly and are so promising, one cannot doubt but that this splendid representative of the Harold family will prove a great sire. He has never been trained for speed on account of an injury (which may not be at all permanent) he received, but has shown miles in 2:40 with the greatest ease. Mr. Williams has gone slow with him, feeling that in a short time he will be able to give the best of them battle.

Douglass Harold holds a prominent position in our Supplement.



A DONKEY IN TROUSERS.

There are a great many laughable things in the world, but few sights of the kind are funnier than the one of which this cut gives a fairly good idea, says the *Philadelphia Record.* The donkey in question belongs to a humane person at Long Branch, N. J. During the summer lately ended the creature wore trousers on each set of legs, as well as a snug fitting blanket on his body. The idea was to protect the donkey from flies and mosquitos and not out of any peculiar notions of modesty. No doubt when the cold shall have begun to strengthen this donkey's trousers legs will begin to lengthen.