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Maj. H. C. Mc Dowell,
Lexington, Ky.

Dear Sir:--

I have been looking over the Catalogue of the horses which you are intending to sell next week at Lexington, and I am greatly pleased with the Ethelwynn family.

When Impetuous made her appearance on the Turf, I was so greatly pleased with her breeding considered in connection with her performances, that I felt that her chances for becoming the champion trotter of the world were very favorable. Learning afterwards of her sickness and its effects, upon the glands of her throat, I saw that my highest anticipations were defeated.

I notice that the Catalogue speaks favorably of her younger sister, Tintoret. The colt, Hardwicke, by Directum out of Impetuous is wonderfully well bred. As he comes No. 47 of the Catalogue, I presume he will be sold on the First Sale day, which will be Tuesday, and I would thank you to telegraph me at my expense on receipt of this. I want to know whether the colt is of good size, a good strong individual, and one that in your judgment is likely to acquire the substance and presence to qualify him for use as a stallion. Directum, is small, but I have gained the impression that Impetuous is a large mare, and possibly the colt may make a large horse. The Catalogue fails to give any indication of size throughout and therefore I am at a loss to draw a conclusion. If your telegram leads me to think that the colt with answer the purpose, I have hopes of inducing a breeder here to telegraph on a bid. As a sample of the information I will need, I outline the following as a copy:

" Impetuous 16 hands. Hardwicke good size, substance and general conformation."

If there is any objectional white on Hardwicke, I want to know it, but if he has only a small star and one or two white hind feet, it is not necessary to say anything. A blazed face or white feet in front I would want to know about.

Yours truly,

Peter C. Kellogg