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William Clark, North Wiltshire, P. E. Island, writes: -"Owing to the mild fall and early winter, my Leicesters and Yorkshires were never in better and healthier condition at this time of the year. My brood sows have been out in the open yard for exercise nearly every day up to date, and as a result I expect large, healthy litters to report. My Leicesters also were never in such good shape at this date—plenty of feed and plenty of exercise. The shearling ram, Jim II. No. 1255, that Mr. Herbert Wright (of Guelph) selected from one of your best Ontario flocks and sent down to me, heads the flock. He is a large, massive fellow of over 300 pounds, full of quality, and as active as a Blood horse,— ust what I wanted and better than I expected. Mr. Wright is evidently a critical judge of sheep, and knows what is wanted when filling orders."

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"Our stock has wintered so far in good shape, but we are crowded for room, so are waking special offerings, as advertised, in Ayrshire bulls They are an extra fine lot, including Gold King 1387. calved August 20th, 1892: sire Chieftain of Barcheskie (imp); dam Nellie Osborne 5358 (imp.), a cow too well known to need any remarks in her favor. We have used Gold King for two years, and he has proved himself a grand stock getter. He has been shown four times, and won first place three times. Labor Day 1829, calved Sept. 4th, 1894; sire Emperor 1332; dam Beauty II. 2084; a most persistent milker, having been dry only six weeks in three years, and winner of third prize at Ottawa last fall in a very large ring. Labor Day will make a large bull, with plenty of style and good color. Diamond King, by Gold King 1387; dam Beauty II. 2084; calved Sept. 8th. 1895; a very growthy calf, and promises to make a very fine bull. Also a good year-old from Daisy of Meadowside 1991. We could spare two or three good young cows in calf to Gold King 1387."

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A report of the condition of the Ohio Poland-China Record Co. shows the Association to be in excellent circumstances. The total cash receipts, including the balance on hand Jan., 1895, is \$6,254.59, while the 1895 expenditures have been \$4.647.55, 'leaving a present cash balance and sinking fund of \$1,607.04. Of the receipts for the year, \$3.814.00 were received for registration at \$1 per pedigree. The Secretary, Carl Freigau, reports that the Company is financially in better shape than it has been for years. He predicts that this spring the hog business is surely commencing a new, grand boom. Announcement was made that the directors had fixed the price of Vol. I., \$3; Vol. II. to XV. at \$1 each, and Vol. XVI. and XVII. at \$2 each. The Board of Directors elected officers for the Company as follows: President, J. L. Van Doren, Crestvue, Ohio; Secretary, Carl Freigau, Dayton, Ohio; Treasurer, J. H. Lackey, Jamestown, Ohio. Executive Committee. I. H. Lackey, Jamestown, Ohio. urer. J. H. Lackey, Jamestown, Ohio. Executive Committee—J. H. Lackey, John F. Duffield, John W. Cook.

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We recently had the pleasure of spending a few hours at the home of Mr. Brien, whose fine property is located but a short distance west of Ridgetown, Ont. The Shorthorn herd comprises the blood of Bates, Booth, and Cruickshank strains, and has been established during the past twenty years. Bothwell Chief = 18592 =, a three-year-old red, now heads the herd, his dam being Gipsy Queen 3rd = 20690 = by imp. Tofthill = 6450 =, his sire being Daisy Chief = 13674 =. The herd contains such cows as Lady Bethel 2nd, 2nd Duchess 2nd, Lottic Kelso = 13603 =, a very fine two-year-old heifer, and other good ones. We were shown three fine young bulls coming two years old, and a promising bull calf about ten months old, now offered by Mr. Brien and will be sold at very reasonable figures. These were Patron = 20590 =, red (calved December 15th, 1895), thrifty, straight and smooth, sired by Bothwell Chief, and from Lady Bethel 2nd = 18620 =: Lord Byron = 20589 =, red and white (calved November 19th, 1894), a lusty, strong-boned fellow by same sire, dam Duchess of Ridgetown = 18619 = by Lord Buchan = 9244 =; with another good yearlirg red, making a trio of good, useful and well-bred animals that should be ready sellers. The bull calf is a fine, straight fellow from the Duchess of Ridgetown. A few choice heifers were also seen.

Four breeding Berkshire sows are kept, of good type and descended from Snell's stock, headed by Prince of Perth [1963] (bred by Geo. Green, of Fairview), a fine large boar of good quality, sired by Lord Belmont, and from the sow Mountain Bell [1598]. Prince of Perth is the winner of ten first premiums the past season, winning wherever shown. In the pens were a number of fine young boars and sows, from four to eight months old, possessing good length, strong bone, and nice quality.

Dorset Horn Breeders.

The Dorset Horn Sheep Breeders' Association of America was organized in 1891. The roll of membership now numbers 156, and comprises some of the wealthiest breeders in the U.S. and Canada. At the recent annual meeting held in Buffalo, N. Y., the constitution was amended so as to allow the fixing of time and place of the next annual meeting by the Executive Committee. It was agreed to make a fine exhibit of Dorsets at the Madison Square Garden Stock Show next November. The election of officers resulted as follows:

President—T. S. Cooper, Coopersburg, Pa. Vice-Presidents—John A. Willingmyre, Chicago, Ill.; Samuel Rriggs, Cleveland, O.; James A. Cochran, Hillhurst Station, Can.; E. O. Denton, Somerset, N. Y. Secretary-Tregsurer M. A. Cooper, Washington, Pa. The Dorset Horn Sheep Breeders' Association

ington, Pa.

Executive Committee -Henry Palmer, Avondale, Pa.; J. D. VanValkenburg, Greene, N.Y.; Wm. E. Kimsey, Angola, Ind.; John A. McGillivray, Q. C., M. P., Uxbridge, Can; Dr. Wm. McCleary, Washington, Pa.

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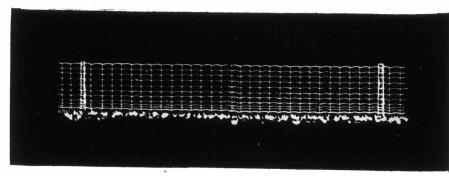
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