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American Shire Horse Society, and Joseph Morton, for Romping Flash. Starting at 100 guineas, the bidding went by "fives" to 275 guineas, when Mr. Morton made it 300, and Mr. Truman then bid another 10 and takes him to America. This horse is an extraordinary goer, and should do a lot of good for the Hackney breed there. The old London champion Royal Danegelt, although 20 years old, made a great show, and sold well, considering his age, to Mr. Gobb, for 130 guineas.

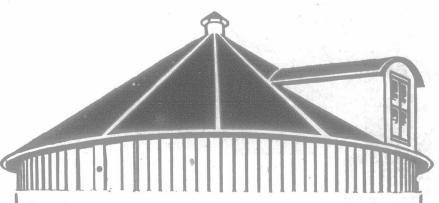
The 25 lots, several of which were old mares and very young foals, averaged just under £100 each.

C. W. Tindall, Wainfleet, Lincoln, has sold en bloc to the Edgcote Shorthorn Company, Banbury, almost the whole of his herd of Shorthorns, including cows with their calves, and numbering, altogether, twenty-six head, for £9,100. Among them were several Clippers, valued at £500 each. The foundation of the Clippers were bought direct by Tindall from the late Amos Cruickshank. All the bull calves from the Clippers remain with Tindall, two of them being of exceptional merit, and he has also retained one family of Violets, the original of which was bought direct from Cruick-

Almost everybody who is anybody in the agricultural or sporting or fashionable world in Great Britain now possess pedigreed stock. The aims and objects of the great English Live-stock and Agricultural Societies are not only to develop the breeds to the interests of which they are devoting time and money, but to encourage the crossing of their animals with the inferior stock of the country for the benefit of the latter. There are, at the moment, plenty of cross-breds which are quite as salable as pure-breds. There are many men content to go on breeding crossbreds, and are satisfied when they can produce an animal that will pay for itself and leave a profit over. ally the missionary-work of the pure-bred societies is telling an undeniable story Even in far-off Shetland an experiment is about to be tried in the way of improving the breed of the native sheep A commission which visited those islands some time ago to enquire into the matter, realized the necessity for taking some steps in this direction, as it was found that the sheep pastured on the hills had deteriorated a good deal, not only through the overcrowding of the holdings, but through in-breed ng. The problem that had to be faced was how to improve the breed without spoiling the wool, which has long been famous for the fineness of its texture. After careful enquiry, it has been decided to try the experiment of crossing the Shetland breed with certain selected English breeds, and the result is being looked forward to with much interest. Shetland cattle, as well as ponies of the isle, are growing famous. The Shetland Cattle Herdsook Society has been formed to grade up the breed and secure for it the recognition it deserves. The chief outstanding feature of the breed is its small size. It is no bigger than the Irish Dexters and Kerries, and in many cases smaller, the height varying from 36 inches in the smallest, to 46 inches, or thereabouts. It is of sturdy huild, robust looking, and short on the leg, and the cows have useful milking powers. A typical Shetland cow must be deep framed, level in the back, and fairly fine in the fore quarters, and the neck, while a full square, and deep shape of the udder, also forms a point of leading importance. The horns are of medium size, and point upwards, and in color the most prevalent and popular combination is black-and-white, somewhat similar to the coloring of the Holstein breed. Cows of the best class yield up to three gallons of milk a day, and steers, when fattened, attain dressed-carcass weights ranging up to six or seven cwt. Recognizing its value and potentialities as a breed for crofters and hill-farms, a herd of Shetland cattle has, I am told, been established by the Scottish Board of Agriculture at their stud farm near Inverness, which, no doubt, will lead to a further extension of the breed's influence on the northern parts of Scotland.

Gloucestershire is reviving its spotted pig, a quaintly-marked breed which has been languishing these past, few years. James Peter, the steward to Lord Fitzhardinge, of Berkeley Castle, and Chair-

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