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Our Illustration.

The question is often asked, "Is the typical Shorthorn of the present day superior to the best of thirty or forty years ago?" In fact, in various forms this has been the subject of no little controversy.

The "Queen of the May" was bred by her exhibitor, Mr. Booth; calved November 5th, 1854; sired by Crown Prince (10087); dam (Red Rose), by Harbinger (10297), etc., tracing back to Suworow (636).

British Columbia.

The Royal Agricultural and Industrial Society held one of their most successful exhibitions on October 9th to 12th. The entries were in excess of previous years, and numbered about 4,000.

The poultry shown were of good quality, and in numbers sufficient to manifest the interest taken in this industry. Ample room was provided, and had the exhibits been arranged properly, much better results would have been possible.

The display made by Mr. Sharp, superintendent of the farm at Agassiz, was one of much interest, and which, together with a report of the farm, will be mentioned in a future issue.

The horse exhibit was somewhat limited in numbers, although some good individuals were shown. On the whole, the interest which generally characterizes this important part of exhibitions was lacking.

C. Wells & Son, of Chilliwack, who were also the most successful exhibitors of Ayrshires. Thos. Shannon, of Surrey, and Isaac Kipp, of Chilliwack, also competing successfully the latter breed.

The sheep, speaking generally, were not in show shape. In Southdowns, J. T. Wilkinson's flock obtained nearly all the awards. Wm. McKee showed Cotswolds; W. Grimmer and Isaac Kipp exhibited Shropshires.

Not many pigs were shown, the Berkshires being most numerous, and having among them some good representatives of the breed, Black Jim, No. 2778—bred by Robert Marsh & Sons, Richmond Hill, Ont., and owned by Thos. Shannon, Cloverdale, carrying off the silver cup for best boar, any breed, competing with much older animals.

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The People's Paper.

The readers of the FARMER'S ADVOCATE thoroughly appreciate quality. This has been clearly proven, to our minds, by the hundreds of letters received telling how much value and confidence is placed in its contents.

PLEASED WITH RECENT IMPROVEMENTS.

I have been a subscriber and constant reader of the ADVOCATE since its first publication by the late Wm. Weld, and I have watched its progress and steady improvement from year to year, until it now occupies the proud position of standing in the front rank among the agricultural publications upon the American Continent.

BETTER LATE THAN NEVER.

I think your paper is first-class in every respect. I am sorry I did not take it before.

DELIGHTED WITH COLUMBIAN VICTORS.

I received the picture, "Canada's Columbian Victors," on Tuesday last. Please accept my heartiest thanks for same. I think it is the best picture of cattle I ever saw.

SEVEN YEARS' EXPERIENCE.

We have now taken the FARMER'S ADVOCATE for seven years, and consider it the best agricultural journal in America. Wishing you success,

MAINTAINS ITS HIGH STANDARD.

I am much pleased that the ADVOCATE is still keeping up its high standard.

APPRECIATED IN THE MARITIME PROVINCES.

Your paper is much appreciated, especially on the cheese and dairy questions.

A GOOD WATCH.

The watch which you sent me for getting subscribers has given entire satisfaction, being an excellent time-keeper. I will try and get you some more subscribers.

PLEASED WITH THE RING.

I am very well pleased with the ring received last year. My wife has worn it ever since, and it looks as well as ever.

PEOPLE'S PAPER.

I think a lot of the ADVOCATE, and could not very well keep house without it. It ought to be found in every farm house, from ocean to ocean. I have, ever since I can remember, always taken a deep interest in its pages.

SAVED HIM MANY DOLLARS.

Enclosed please find \$1.00, price of ADVOCATE for one year. My subscription was out some time ago, but money was hard to get, and it is only because I think so much of the ADVOCATE that makes me renew just now.

TESTIMONY FROM BRITISH COLUMBIA.

I must say that I take the greatest satisfaction out of your paper, and as long as I continue to have any connection with agriculture, shall never be without it.

HELPED HIM AND WILL HELP OTHERS.

Accept my best thanks for engraving of the prize-winning Ayrshires. It is very pretty. Also for the peck of oats forwarded me some time ago. I will send in a new name to the ADVOCATE every chance I get.

WORTH ANY TWO OTHER PAPERS.

Kindly forward the FARMER'S ADVOCATE to H. C. Lyle, Edmonton. I enclose \$1 for subscription. It gives me great pleasure to recommend your paper, as I consider it worth any two other papers that I know of.

Institute Dates.

Table with 2 columns: Location and Date. Includes entries for Lancaster, Glenora, Vankleek Hill, Maxville, Duncanville, Stittsville, Carp, Almonte, Pembroke, Renfrew, Smith's Falls, Perth, Lanark.