

GOSSIP.

It is writing to advertisers, mention the "Farmer's Advocate."

During the month of May forty-six fresh outbreaks of sheep scab were reported in Great Britain.

At the recent London (Eng.) Crystal Palace Horse Show, American horses made a record by carrying off a large number of important premiums. One Mr. Vivian Gooch, with five American bred and fitted horses, won eleven first prizes, one second prize, and two championships. His best horse was Star of the West, who alone won six firsts and one second. Other American exhibitors won good awards.

HARRY SMITH'S SHORTHORNS.

The well-kept herd of Shorthorn cattle of Mr. Harry Smith, Hay P. O., now numbers 45 head—fifteen matrons, half a dozen young heifers, a dozen heifer and four bull calves, one yearling and the solid roan stock bull, Abbottford 1516, now five years old, by Blake 15177, and out of Village Blossom (imp.), a cow which produced probably more prize-winners than any individual in Canada. Village Lily won wherever shown in 1892 and was sweepstakes cow in Manitoba in 1894. Young Abbottburn was the sweepstakes bull over all beef breeds in the United States, including the World's Fair. Village Hero was a winner in Manitoba in 1894. Mary Abbottburn (a granddaughter) was sweepstakes cow wherever shown in the United States in 1897. The celebrated white steer, Bruce, which won wherever shown last year, including the Brantford Fat Stock Show in competition with the Chicago champion, Jock, was a grandson of the old cow, Vanity, by Village Hero, now in the herd and a winner all over last fall in the cow class, is a granddaughter. Therefore it may fairly be concluded that the Village Blossoms (the predominating family in the herd) have done much not only to advance this herd to the front, but to establish a reputation for the Shorthorn breed on this continent. Abbottford's '88 crop of calves are considered to be the best lot ever raised on the farm, and are very growthy and evenly fleshed. Among the Queen of Beauty representatives we saw Bonnie Bree, by Prince Albert and out of Bampton Queen, by Royal Bampton (a Dryden-bred cow, and in his hands won 1st in Toronto in her class as a calf). Bonnie Bree is now in her eighth year and carrying her 7th calf to Abbottford and due in the fall. Some seven or eight of this family are in the herd, and among them being a choice, evenly made seven-months bull calf, (Bruce and Bampton) were both out of Bonnie Bree. Three of the noted Stathallans here make their home. The old cow, Moss Rose of Strathallan, by imported Vice-Consul, is now again safely in calf. (She was also among the first prize winners in her day). Her yearling son by Abbottford resembles the family much, being thick, low-set, evenly fleshed, and, like his dam, a beautiful roan color. Daughters of Gloster are represented by a pair of cows and a solid red heifer approaching a year old. The well-known show cow, Vanity, by Village Hero and out of Vista 2nd, has recently been sold to the Hon. Thos. Greenway, Manitoba. Her two-year-old daughter is now suckling her first calf and promises well to equal her dam, which for three years was placed first in her class at the leading big shows. Grace, by Prince Albert and out of Vanity, is proving herself immensely popular as a matron. A pair of her daughters are in the herd, and a yearling white steer, by Abbottford, whose calf we have yet to find and from which something will undoubtedly be heard later. Mr. Smith is at present offering young bulls and heifers by Abbottford and representing all the above mentioned family lines. Visitors to the farm will meet with no disappointment when shown the stock.

CHRIS. FAHNER'S BERKSHIRES, CHESTERS, TAMWORTHS AND VICTORIAS.

At the breeding establishment of Mr. Chris. Fahner, adjoining the village of Crediton, County of Huron, we found the proprietor busily engaged with his stock, which at present has representatives of the Berkshires, Tamworths, Chester Whites, and the celebrated Victorias, which have been imported within a year from their original sires, Mr. George F. Davis, Dyer, Lake Co., Indiana. The boars are now two years old, and a showing winner at the leading State fairs across the line. In conformation he is above the medium in size, possessing good length, and is very active and of good disposition. Mr. Fahner informed us that he had received a very liberal patronage since his arrival on the farm. Of recent importations we saw a young boar not related to which we would expect to develop into an animal of the bacon type at maturity, and to which the young females are being bred. Of this breed two sows were also imported. Beauty Bess 1227 is two years old, and in the showing was never defeated, although exhibited at the Wisconsin, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, and Ohio State fairs, and others having equally keen competition. In conformation she is, as her name indicates, a beauty, weighing about 600 pounds; clear white skin, very smooth in type; will be bred to Chief to farrow in the fall. The yearling sow, Jubilee, is also due to farrow to Chief. Of domestic birth are a pair of very growthy, well-made four-months sows and a boar, which are held for sale. Of the breed, Mr. Fahner informed us that at an American fat stock show in 1896, out of 75 entries of all breeds, the Victorias captured the first premiums for early maturity, being exhibited by Mr. Davis, and Mr. Fahner considers them capable of producing more pork for the food consumed than any breed he has yet tried, and also states that the enquiry for them has been something enormous, and sales have only been limited by the stock offered. At the head of the Berkshire pens is the three-year-old Snell-bred boar, Star Chief, by which much of the young stock was sired. Among the sows we saw a four-year-old, Daisy, due in August, and a two-year-old, Black Bess, due in July. Among the younger salable stock is a choice, well-marked pair of six-months sows and a boar (not related) from Snell-bred dams, and sows half dozen which are younger. In Tamworths a few seven-months sows are held for sale, also a yearling boar. Some choice, well-formed young Chester stock was also shown us, and among them were three young boars and a pair of sows rising two months, all registered.

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