

cattlemen complained that they were being treated badly. It was to

REMOVE THIS LATTER OBJECTION

that the meeting had been called. His view was that all live stock, including the draughts and horses for breeding, should be located on the new ground, leaving the present grounds for the speeding classes.

Mr. Patteson said at the present time the general public came to see the horses, but could not. Any change, he thought would be more welcome to the visitor than the existing state of affairs. A man obtaining a prize secured the first object he had in exhibiting, and his second object being to sell, a man desirous of purchasing stock would not keep away from the proposed new grounds. He thought to cross the track would be no drawback whatever.

Mr. V. E. Fuller asked if it were not possible to close Dufferin St. and extend the grounds westward.

Mr. Withrow said to do this would cost more than the whole exhibition grounds were worth.

Mr. Fuller said if the land to the south and west could not be procured, there would be no alternative but to cross the track. To avoid discord, however, the horses would also have to be removed.

Mr. Patteson asked how many acres were comprised in the proposed new piece.

Ald. Mitchell said the board had asked for fifteen.

Mr. McRae urged the importance of securing the land to the south. He thought the volunteers' rights need not be interfered with, as the grounds could be closed when shooting was going on.

Mr. Elliot reminded the last speaker that the Exhibition grounds were a public park for ten months of the year.

Ald. Mitchell said the grounds could not be closed except in August and September. The city kept them in order and the citizens had the right to use them.

NO ALTERNATIVE.

The President said everything had been done to secure grounds on the south, but without success. There was nothing for it but to move the stock across the track.

Mr. McRae said in that case they could not help themselves. He submitted, however, that the horses should be taken across also. He moved the following resolution:—"That while it is the opinion of the representatives of exhibitors of live stock present at this meeting that the ground to the south of the present Exhibition grounds would be more desirable as an addition on which new stock sheds should be erected, the directors of the Industrial Exhibition Association, having explained the impossibility of obtaining this ground, be it resolved that it is also their opinion that all live stock except carriage and saddle and speeding horses should be located on the new grounds situated on the north of the railway track."

Mr. F. A. Fleming seconded the motion, which was adopted unanimously.

Mr. Fuller suggested that on the new grounds the water should be brought right up to the sheds, and that accommodation be provided for the herds-men.

The President said the matter would not be overlooked.

The meeting then adjourned.

The Leicestershire Agricultural Society have hired for the coming season 1886, the noted prize-winner Shire horse stallion Esquire, 2774, the property of the Earl of Ellesmere, Worsley Hall, Manchester; his sire, William the Conqueror, 2343, was sire of the champion horse at London this year, Prince William, 3956. [An engraving of Prince William appeared in No. 12, Vol. II. CANADIAN BREEDER, 20th March, 1885.]

Correspondence.

ENGLISH LETTER.

From our own Correspondent.

LIVERPOOL, 24th Oct., 1885.

The supply of Canadian cattle, although smaller than for some time past, was yet much too ample for the demand. Trade for the last four or five weeks has simply run to seed, and prices are at such a low level that shippers have been obliged to quit. Quotations for Canadian cattle in this market, show that not more than 10 cents per lb. is current for really prime stock, which some time ago would have been badly sold at 15 cents. Such a depreciation in value, without any corresponding reduction in the Toronto and Montreal markets, means bankruptcy. There is no symptom of any improvement apparent, the plethora of Irish cattle and home-bred stock, being still unexhausted. After the general election in November, it is expected that some signs of activity in the great industrial centres will be manifest, but meantime the condition of trade generally throughout the country is deplorable.

Arrivals of live stock and fresh meat at this port for week ending 23rd Oct., consisted of 521 cattle and 323 sheep from Canada, 1,257 cattle, 8,000 quarters of fresh beef, and 300 carcasses of fresh mutton. None of the Dominion cattle were lost, but five dead bullocks on the States shipments were reported.

The Argentines are considering just now a scheme which has been propounded and laid before Congress for encouraging the meat export industry of the Republic. It is proposed that the Government should guarantee 6 per cent. interest on capital invested in the exportation of beef and mutton; this guarantee interest to be limited to a gross capital of 10 millions, and the capital of guaranteed companies, individually, not to exceed three millions nor to be under half a million dollars; if the exportation be made by the freezing process the companies are expected to take aboard, free of charge, two Argentine naval officers, and to make a reduction of one-third in the passages of emigrants. A *sine qua non* condition of the guarantee is, that 10 per cent. of the capital be raised in the Buenos Ayres market.

Towards the end of last year, Mr. R. W. Eddison, of Fowler's Engine-Works, Leeds, purchased several colts and mares of the true Clydesdale type from the Blackhall stud for export to Russia. These were sent to that country for the purpose of showing to the Russians the enormous pulling powers of the Clydesdale, and they gave every satisfaction. The result is that last week Mr. Eddison purchased several stallions and mares from the same stud for export to the same quarter, the Russians having resolved to improve their breed of horses by an infusion of the Clydesdale blood. Mr. Riddell has added sixteen stallions and mares to his already numerous stud of Clydesdales. These were selected by him last week from the famous Keir stud, the property of the late Sir William Stirling-Maxwell's trustees. By the careful selecting and mating of the sires and dames by the popular factor, Mr. Alexander Young, Keir Mains, this stud is keeping up its reputation as one of the best in Scotland.

THE CHICAGO FAT STOCK AND DAIRY SHOW.

From our own Reporter.

Above the din of hammers and the voices of men there arose, on Tuesday morning, the 10th of November, the "moos" of the cattle, the squeal of the pigs, the "bahs" of the sheep, the neighs of

the horses, and the cackling and crowing of the poultry. It was the morning of the opening day (Tuesday) when your correspondent visited the show, which I think is better in general features than any ever held before. While the stock had not arrived there was a good showing already made. I shall not stop to review the whole ground in this letter, but will reserve for my next a detailed description. But it will not be amiss to notice a few of the exhibits which deserve especial mention, the first of which is that of the Indiana Blooded Stock Co. Their crossbred Aberdeen-Angus-Hereford heifer, for which I last year predicted such a glorious future, is here this year, and while she is debarred from competing here from not being spayed, she was a winner of first in her class and gained sweepstakes for best animal in the show at Kansas City. Certainly a good showing. They have this year adopted the plan of naming the aisles between the stalls after some of the former prize-winners, such as Wabash Roanoke, Kirklevington, Netherwood Avenues. The dairy cattle are not in good force, further mention of which I will defer till my next. There are some very fine horses here also, several of the exhibitors being those who were here last year. Of swine there is a very good showing, a great deal better than last year, Mr. J. A. Countryman, of Rochelle, Ill., being, as usual, the principal exhibitor of Poland Chinas. T. C. Hanley, Mattoon, Ill., has some very fine small Yorkshires. Frank Wilson, Jackson, Mich., has some very fine Chester Whites. Mrs. Ann Newton, of Pontiac, Mich., has the largest and finest display of sheep in the show. She was here last year and captured many premiums. This is to be expected, as she is a subscriber to the BREEDER. She has forty head here, comprising Southdown, Hampshire, Oxford, Cotswold, Shropshire, Leicester, and Lincolns. She will undoubtedly carry off the ribbons in the majority of cases. Stone & Loake, Stonington, Ill.; Frank Wilson, Jackson, Mich.; W. D. and L. C. Anderson, and E. & A. Stanford, Steyning, England, all have fine exhibits.

HOW THE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGES ARE CLASSED BY A CONTEMPORARY.

Farmers' Advocate, St. Paul, Minn.

We find as the result of our investigations that Michigan, Mississippi and Ontario have genuine agricultural colleges, doing an efficient, satisfactory work. The Kansas and Colorado schools are almost entitled to be classed with them in this regard. In Ontario schools five hours of daily labor on the farm is required of all the students; Mississippi and Colorado three hours; Kansas one. Ontario is the most intensely agricultural of the list—Kansas the least so. These schools are doing good work in the cause of agricultural education—that of Mississippi especially wonderful, though not, as yet, fully recognized and appreciated at the South. Illinois and Ohio are doing something, though far less than was intended by the founders of the system, and far less than their more fortunate neighbors.

RAISING LIVE STOCK IN THE NORTH-WEST.

Drovers' Journal, Chicago.

It is now coming to be the opinion upon authority that must command respectful attention that neither cattle, horses, sheep, nor hogs can ever be produced to good advantage either in Minnesota, Dakota, Montana, Wyoming or Idaho unless provision can be made for feed and shelter to bridge over all stock that may be in keeping in any part of the country referred to during the severely cold, stormy