

An eloquent preacher tells this among his early experiences in a rural parish. One of his parishioners was very ill and finally sent for the minister, who found the man rather reticent, and finally asked if there was anything he could do.

"Parson," was the answer, "sleep would make me well, but the doctor can't make me sleep. I wonder if you'd preach me that long sermon I heard last July."

Stock Notes

Large Importation of White Yorkshires.

During the past year or two a number of valuable importations of purebred stock have been made into Canada but none more important than that of Mr. D. C. Flatt, Millgrove, Ont. Mr. Flatt's importation consists of a number of purebred Yorkshire pigs, brought out by Mr. W. D. Flatt, Hamilton, Ont., an account of whose importation of Shorthorns was given in our issue of June 27th.

Mr. D. C. Flatt's recent importations are amongst the choicest Yorkshire pigs ever brought into Canada. Every animal is either a leading prize-winner at the English Royal and other shows or the descendant of one, as the following particulars regarding some of the animals imported will show:

Yearling boar, 3rd prize-winner at the Royal Show, 1898, and 1st at Lincoln. His sire won 1st prize at the Royal and gold medal for best pig in the white breed classes.

Sow, Fanny B.; sire, Ruddington Lad, the Royal champion boar. This sow is served by the Duke of Rutland, 1st prize in pen of three at the Royal.

Sow, Fanny C.; sire, the Royal Champion; dam, Miss Hollingsworth 39th. She is the dam of numerous prize-winners, and also in pig to Duke of Rutland, 1st prize-winner at Royal.

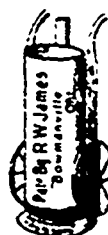
Sow, Fanny F.; sire, Ruddington King David 5th, he being sire of the champion boar, Ruddington Lad.

Fanny E. is also in pig by champion boar. Sow, Fanny P., in pig to Ruddington Lad 2nd, brother to Ruddington Lad 3rd.

Sow, Fanny D.; sire Ruddington King David 5th, a very grand boar, and from a good sow.

Boar and sow, Forest Ranger and Fanny F., are by Bottesford Ranger 3rd, the sire of the 1st and 2nd prize pens at the Royal and from the sow purchased, Miss Hollingsworth 63rd. She is own sister to the 1st prize sow at Royal last year.

These importations form a very valuable addition to Mr. Flatt's well-known herd of Yorkshires and will tend to greatly increase the importance of this breed in Canada. His enterprise in thus endeavoring to improve the quality of our live stock is deserving of high commendation and a liberal patronage.



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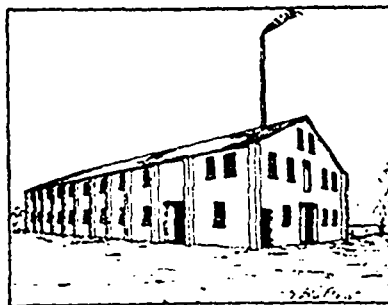
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Yours, etc., J. W. VANDYKE.

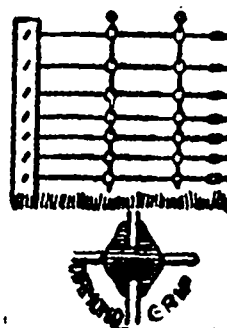
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