THE FARMER'S ADVOCATE.

GOSSIP

A Manitoba drover has an order to supply 2,500 stockers to the Knight Sugar Co., of Raymond, Alta. The prices are \$22.50 for two-year-olds, and \$15 for vearlings.

Nelson Morris & Company are shipping cattle from Alberta this spring via Boston, to fill the space they have contracted for on the boats.

SALE DATES CLAIMED. May 25th.-G. H. Manhard and G. A. Gilroy, at Brockville, Ont.; Holsteins. June 2nd.—S. J. Pearson, Son & Co., Meadowvale, Ont.; Shorthorns.

July 1st.-John Davidson, Ashburn, Ont. Shorthorns.

The King's horse, Minoru, by Cyllene, dam Mother Seigel, won the race for the 2,000 guineas at Newmarket last week, eleven horses running. The Derby will be run May 26th, and there is a strong probability that His Majesty's horse will again add to his laurels.

Alberta is giving a man a farm, if he can demonstrate that it pays to work it his way. Isn't that a backhand compliment to the thousands who have taken up land? Duncan Anderson says he would like the opportunity to demonstrate that it pays to keep milking Shorthorn cows, raise beef steers, and hogs, and will give his time for six years if the Government will furnish the farm and give it to him when he has concluded his demonstration.

CHICKEN HOMILETIC.

A country minister, in the course of his dining out on the circuit, came to a house where a roast chicken was served for dinner. He had previously encountered a series of rib - corned - beef dinners, and chicken looked good to him.

"Well," he facetiously remarked, "here's where that chicken enters the ministry!" "Hope it does better there than in lay work," rejoined the small boy of the family.

AMBITIOUS NAVAL FOLLY.

Farmer's Advocate and Home Journal." of Winnipeg, scores the foolishness in the daily press relative to navy building : Lest it might be inferred that he is a water, blanket them and groom daily with ontinental European, with sympathies for the Fatherland, we mention that he of the hands to secure the necessary signs the good North British name of

to a great navy as has Britain ? Hasn't feeding, or cloying the appetite. No she as much right to possess a navy to more should be given than is cleaned up 'guard her shores' as Britain has to reasonably soon after each meal. The then sentence presents the thing from the Ger- with a fine saw, or a chisel and rasp, to ossess one to 'menace' cally the Briton's viewpoint. Which is should be allowed regularly. right ? Obviously : neither ! "Some fools in high places have even suggested that Britain present an ultimatum to Germany to cease building. How would it be to emulate the meek and lowly Jesus, and set them an example? Britain has no more moral right to curtail Germany's operations than you have to hold a gun to my head and threaten me, upon pain of death, to refrain from selling more than one car of wheat per year. "Surely the day has come when our modern civilized barbarians shall cease to demand each other's blood in a vicarious propitiation of their own vanities.

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OUESTIONS AND ANSWERS Miscellaneous.

INACTIVE KIDNEYS.

I have a horse which has great difficulty in passing his urine. Will you kindly advise me the best thing to do? SUBSCRIBER.

Ans .- This trouble in geldings is sometimes caused by dirt lodging in the sheath and forming lumps around the opening from the passage. This should be well washed out with warm soapsuds, and any matter pressing the passage removed. To stimulate the kidneys, mix ‡ pound each of saltpetre, sulphur, and ground gentian, and give a teaspoonful three times a day in feed, or on the tongue, with a spoon. If the horse can be rested a few days, it is well to give him first a purgative ball, and follow up with the above mixture.

FITTING CATTLE FOR SHOW.

Could you advise me, through the pages of your valuable paper, how to fit a herd of Herefords for the leading exhibitions. What is the best feed for them; also the care that should be given them

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Ans.-Cattle of this class require to be in high condition, carrying much flesh, in order to win at the leading exhibitions. In addition to good pasture during the summer, they should be fed in the stable, morning and evening, a moderate ration, in the early months, of a mixture of bran, ground corn, or peas, oats and nutted oil cake, the ration to be increased in the last two months, if the pastures fail. If flies are troublesome, the cattle should be kept in the stable during the day and on pasture at night, fed a little green clover or good clover hay while in stable, and later, if corn is fairly forward in growth, run it through a cuttingmachine and scatter the grain ration over a moderate allowance of this. The stable windows should be darkened with muslin or open sacking in hot weather, when flies are active, but good ventilation and plenty of clean water should be provided. For the last month, in order to have the hair and skin in good condition, the animals should be groomed daily, not with sharp currycombs, but principally with the brush and woolen cloths, and they should be kept covered with light blankets This is how a correspondent of "The or sheets to keep out dust, and secure a glossy coat. It is well to wash them a week before the fair with soft water and castile soap, and after rinsing with clean soft cloths, and massage with the palms glossiness and softness of the hair. While fairly liberal feeding may be necessary, "Hasn't Germany as much moral right care must be exercised to avoid over-

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TRADE TOPIC.

hese columns by The Steel Stoe Co., of Racine, Wis., has been so heavy that difficulty has been found in filling orders promptly. A branch office has been opened in Toronto, and later on steel shoes will be manufactured there but for the present all correspondences would be

man viewpoint. The converse is identi- keep them in good shape, and exercise

Veterinary

PURPURA HAEMORRHAGICA.

Horse had distemper and, apparently, recovered. Now, his legs, nostrils, eyes, etc., are swollen, and a bloody water runs from eyes and nostrils. My veterinarian says it is a form of bloodpoisoning following distemper, and is giving him turpentine and oil, and what he calls chlorate, and a brown liquid, three times daily, and advises whiskey, milk, J. F. W. eggs and gruel.

Ans .- Your horse is suffering from a disease called "purpura haemorrhagica," which occurs as a sequel to distemper or other respiratory troubles. Your veterinarian is quite correct, both in diagnosis and treatment. Recoveries seldom take place in well-marked cases. Treatment consists in giving 1 to 2 ozs. oil of turpentine in 1 to 1 pint raw linseed oil, once daily, giving 1 to 1 oz. tincture of from three times daily (this is, no doubt, the brown liquid you mention); also giving 2 to 4 drams chlorate of potassium three times daily, and, if possible, keeping up the patient's strength with anything he will eat, or with raw eggs, whiskey, gruel, etc. Local treatment is net beneficial any more than keeping nostrils, eyes, etc., washed clean. Hand rubbing and bandaging the legs may be trad when there is no exudation from