

GOSSIP.

In writing to advertisers, please mention the Farmer's Advocate.

A shipment of Clydesdale stallions was recently shipped from Scotland to Russia.

An exceptional opportunity to obtain two choice Ayrshire bulls, one a well-tryed and splendid stock getter, the other a yearling, is announced by Mr. J. A. Carrick, Kinross, Ont., as per advertisement elsewhere. Read it.

Mr. W. C. Shearer, "Sprucedale Dairy Farm," Bright, Ont., writes that he has sold about all the Barred Plymouth Rocks he can spare, but is making some special offerings in Jersey calves. Our readers will take note of his change in advertisement.

Mr. John I. Hobson, of Mosborough, Ont., makes a preliminary announcement in another column of a dispersion sale of his fine large herd of Shorthorn cattle and a lot of exceptionally good draft mares. The date will probably be April 5th. Further particulars later.

F. Birdsall & Son, Birdsall, Ont., report the following recent sales: 1 Jersey bull to F. J. Macklem, Fenella P. O.; 1 Shorthorn bull to W. Taylor, Peterboro, Ont.; 1 Shorthorn bull to James Lancaster, Birdsall, Ont.; 1 Oxford ram to H. T. Free, Campbellford, Ont.; 5 Oxford ram lambs to Henry Arkell, Arkell, Ont. Our cattle are doing nicely, and our sheep never came into the yard in better trim. There is a good demand for both Shorthorn and Jersey bulls at moderate prices.

A notable horse sale was recently completed between His Grace the Duke of Marlborough and Mr. Adam Beck, of London, Ont., viz. the sale to the former of the hunter gelding, "Long Shot," a first premium winner at the last New York Horse Show. "Long Shot" is a bay gelding, up to carrying a heavy weight. He is practically a Thoroughbred, being sired by a son of Longfellow. His dam is by Baron Rothschild, 2nd dam by Lord Byron, 3rd by Beacon, and 4th was imported Alice Gordon. We understand the price was \$1,500.

Mr. J. C. Snell, Snelgrove, Ont., writes:—"The demand for Jersey cows and heifers since the advent of the New Year has been brisk, and a number of very satisfactory sales have been effected. Enquiries for young bulls are also increasing. Dairy farmers are learning from experience and observation that the best way to improve the quality of the milk in a herd is by the use of pure-bred bulls of rich breeding. I have a few very promising young cows and heifers for sale, coming due to calve in March, April, and May. These are in calf to Massena's Duke, whose dam gave 46 lbs. milk daily, and made 17 lbs. butter in seven days. Also a couple of very fine young bulls fit for service."

Owing to the continued development of dairying, particularly buttermaking, the demand for dairy-bred cattle continues strong throughout Canada. New blood is continually required. Dairy farmers and breeders will, therefore, be specially interested in the announcement elsewhere of the "Brighton Place Herd of Jerseys" (Rochester, N. Y.), owned by Mr. P. J. Cogswell, who is offering a few descendants of the famous old Exile of St. Lambert 13657, who has 53 daughters and over 100 granddaughters in the 14 lb. (butter per week) and over 1st, one of the Exile Belle having made 52 lbs. 7 oz. in seven days. Mr. Cogswell's herd is well known to several Canadian Jersey breeders, and is one of the best in the United States. Our readers would do well to communicate with him at once.

Mr. Arthur Johnston, of Greenwood, Ont., writes of his herd of Shorthorn cattle as follows: "They are now all in the very best possible form to do ourselves or our customers most good—none fat and none poor, but all in the healthiest thriving condition. The young bulls, of which we have a big lot, are a very handsome and promising lot—big and sappy. Our yearling heifers are unquestionably the very best we have ever bred or imported. We are now fitting up for exhibition four of the lot of 13 yearlings; also a few two-year-old heifers, as well as a two-year-old bull. The magnificent white twenty months' old Duchess of Gloster bull (imported) 34th Duchess of Gloster cow. There are undoubted signs of improvement in the Shorthorn trade. The demand is good, but prices are still very low."

There are three sorts of horses which farmers can breed for which good prices can be obtained: the heavy draft, the high-class saddle horse, and the now popular high stepper, having intelligence and beauty of form. To get these one must use suitable sires, because ever so good a mare cannot produce a good foal from an indifferent sire. As the breeding season will soon be here, horsemen will require to look about them at once for the stallions to be used this spring. Mr. H. N. Crossley, the noted Shire and Hackney breeder, of Sandy Bay Farm, places at the disposal of horsemen a number of his Hackney stallions, which have, in competition with the best horses of the world, brought credit to themselves and owner. Not only are they themselves winning horses, but the stallion Fireworks has proved himself a getter of the highest type of cob and carriage stock. Rosseau Performer is just at the age to commence heavy stud duties, and cannot fail to impress himself on his offspring, so pronounced is his beauty as well as his high and graceful natural gait. These horses are bred from best English stock, a knowledge of which fact explains their superiority. Mr. Crossley is conferring a very great privilege and benefit on the horse breeding interests of the country in offering these noble horses so liberally. The Hackney mares offered are in keeping in breeding and quality with the two stallions mentioned. With regard to the Shire fillies offered, we have only to refer to the handsome colored inset of the Christmas number of the FARMER'S ADVOCATE to indicate their excellence. These mares have each in turn taken sweepstake premiums at the Toronto Industrial, which alone decides them to be the best in Canada. Notice Mr. Crossley's advertisement in this issue.

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WILLIAM ROLPH, Markham, Ont., offers twelve Jersey Bulls and Heifers (pure St. Lamberts), out of tested cows. Grand individuals. Prices right. 22-y-om

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As foreshadowed in the ADVOCATE some time ago, Chicago is to have a live stock show about next November.

The Royal Dublin Society give \$5,000 annually for improving the breeds of horses and cattle in the Green Isle. This is a good idea, but you have got to have the money first.

Messrs. John I. Hobson and F. W. Hodson, of Guelph, who were appointed by the Board of the Provincial Fat Stock and Dairy Show to visit the cities and towns desiring to have the show in 1897, visited London on Jan. 23rd and found a very suitable building for accommodating the stock in the new cattle, sheep, and hog barn erected last summer by the Western Fair Association. At Brantford fairly suitable accommodation was also found. Other points had not then been visited.

While attending the Dairymen's Convention at Brantford Ont., Mr. J. H. Monrad, of Illinois, extended an invitation to Canadian creamery-men to attend the 5th annual meeting of the National Creamery Butter Makers' Association, to be held at Owatonna, Minnesota, on Feb. 15th to 20th, 1897, in which Canadians may become members and compete in creamery butter for the following prizes: For the best package of creamery butter, a gold medal; for the next best package, a silver medal. A diploma will be given to all exhibitors whose butter scores over 90 points; also \$2,000 will be divided pro rata among all exhibitors of butter scoring over 95. No exhibitor will be allowed to enter more than one lot of butter. The President of the Association is J. W. Seger, Pocatonia, and Secretary, E. Sudendorf, Elgin, Ill.

NOTICES.

Do not decide on your selection of flour, vegetable, and farm seeds without seeing Geo. Keith's catalogue, now ready. Drop a postal card for one to-day to 124 King St., Toronto.

That old reliable firm, A. G. Bull & Son, St. Catharines, Ont., make an announcement elsewhere in this issue respecting fruit trees, vines, roses, etc., that every one should read. A discount on early orders is offered. Write for their catalogue.

Mr. R. J. Shrimpton, of Winnipeg, reports that the sales of farm lands in Manitoba during the year 1896 have been very satisfactory, the company which he represents having disposed of property to the extent of more than \$70,000. It is anticipated that even a better result will take place in the year 1897, because the higher price of wheat and the increased prosperity of farmers in Manitoba will likely attract a large number of new settlers to the Province next spring. We would recommend any of our readers who contemplate settling in Manitoba to write to Mr. Shrimpton for his lists of farm lands for sale.

There is such a vast difference between the crops produced from good and bad seed, and between improved and inferior varieties of vegetables and flowers, that no one can afford to risk sowing risky seed. We therefore feel that the large, reliable seed firms confer a great benefit in sending out their illustrated descriptive catalogues free to those who ask for them. Not only do they describe the different good sorts in such a manner as to assist one in choosing what will best suit his soil and tastes, but many valuable hints and the best methods of growing and cultivating are also thrown in free. The catalogue now open before us is that of the firm of D. M. Ferry & Co., of Windsor, Ont., who e seeds are grown on Oakview Seed Farm, devoted to the production of pedigree stock seed, where the best seeds are sown, and also in large consignments to the United States as well. They claim to be the only firm in the world which exports saws to the United States in large quantities, and this trade is not the result of the lower prices quoted, but rather of the superior quality, especially in temper, which commands a ready sale for them despite the fact that when freights and duties are added their cost to the purchaser is higher than that of the highest grade of American goods. For quality, finish and durability their hand saws, crosscut saws, and band saws are equal to the best in the world. Competing at the World's Fair at Chicago against the three largest and oldest American firms, the Galt firm received the highest award. Canada has held a high position in these lines at the great International exhibitions, the R. H. Smith Co. Ltd., of St. Catharines, Ont., having been awarded the gold medal at the Centennial Exposition at Philadelphia in 1876 for the best collection of saws. This firm especially excels in the manufacture of shingle saws and circular saws, which are tempered under the Siemens process, which for this class of goods is considered quite in advance of any other known process. In the extent of their business, the size of their works, and the magnitude of their output the Maple Leaf Saw Works, of Galt, are probably the largest and most complete in Canada, and the R. H. Smith Co., Ltd., of St. Catharines, are a close second. The latter is the oldest establishment of the kind in the Dominion, having been established by the celebrated J. Flint, one of the oldest and most reliable makers of high-grade saws in the U. S. and Canada. Messrs. Shurly & Dietrich were both associated with him as partners in his business at Rochester, N. Y., as was also Mr. R. H. Smith, president of the company at St. Catharines; and this association with Mr. Flint has doubtless contributed in no small measure to their success in their special lines. We can confidently recommend these firms as straightforward and honorable business men, who may safely be trusted to fill orders according to representation.

A FLOURISHING ESTABLISHMENT.

Messrs. Shurly & Dietrich, Galt, Ont., proprietor of the Maple Leaf Saw Works, have, we learn, experienced since the commencement of the new year a distinct improvement in their business, which has at no time been lagging, but has recently taken on a more buoyant aspect, and their shipments are being made not only to all the Provinces of the Dominion, but also in large consignments to the United States as well. They claim to be the only firm in the world which exports saws to the United States in large quantities, and this trade is not the result of the lower prices quoted, but rather of the superior quality, especially in temper, which commands a ready sale for them despite the fact that when freights and duties are added their cost to the purchaser is higher than that of the highest grade of American goods. For quality, finish and durability their hand saws, crosscut saws, and band saws are equal to the best in the world. Competing at the World's Fair at Chicago against the three largest and oldest American firms, the Galt firm received the highest award. Canada has held a high position in these lines at the great International exhibitions, the R. H. Smith Co. Ltd., of St. Catharines, Ont., having been awarded the gold medal at the Centennial Exposition at Philadelphia in 1876 for the best collection of saws. This firm especially excels in the manufacture of shingle saws and circular saws, which are tempered under the Siemens process, which for this class of goods is considered quite in advance of any other known process. In the extent of their business, the size of their works, and the magnitude of their output the Maple Leaf Saw Works, of Galt, are probably the largest and most complete in Canada, and the R. H. Smith Co., Ltd., of St. Catharines, are a close second. The latter is the oldest establishment of the kind in the Dominion, having been established by the celebrated J. Flint, one of the oldest and most reliable makers of high-grade saws in the U. S. and Canada. Messrs. Shurly & Dietrich were both associated with him as partners in his business at Rochester, N. Y., as was also Mr. R. H. Smith, president of the company at St. Catharines; and this association with Mr. Flint has doubtless contributed in no small measure to their success in their special lines. We can confidently recommend these firms as straightforward and honorable business men, who may safely be trusted to fill orders according to representation.

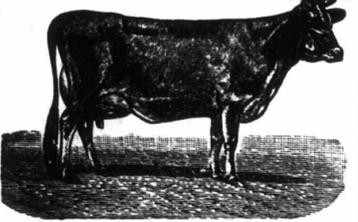
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