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GOSSIP.

LAKE VIEW HOLSTEINS. Lake View Stock Farm, the property of W. F. Bell, lies 51 miles west of Ottawa, at Britannia Bay, and has borne that name and been in the possession of the Bell family for 90 years, the substantial stone house having been built 80 years ago. This is one of the best and most modernly-equipped dairy farms in the Ottawa Valley, sixty head of dairy cows being the number regularly kept for milk production, thirty of them pure-bred Holproduction, steins, the balance Holstein grades. The pure-breds were founded principally from purchases made of Fletcher breeding, of the famous Francy tribe, several of those now in the herd being daughters of the now in the latest constraints of the renowned bull, Sir Admiral Ormsby, two of the breed's greatest and most-popular tribes combined. The present stock bull is the highly official-backed Jem Tensen Sylvia Prince, bred in the renowned herd of C. J. Gilroy. None of those in milk have ever been officially tested for sevenday records, big production of milk being the main object, which is sold in Ottawa, and in six years the percentage of butter-fat has never been below the city's standard of 3.5 per cent. There are twoyear-old heifers giving 45 lbs. a day, and mature cows 87 lbs. There are for sale two young bulls, and females of all ages.

R. F. HICKS' HOLSTEINS.

The high-class character of the large herd of Record-of-Merit Holsteins, the property of R. F. Hicks, of Newtonbrook, Ont., is well known among breeders of the great black-and-white dairy cattle all over Canada. The herd for some time has had as chief stock bull in service, Count Faforit Mercena, a son of the famous Count Mercena Posch, whose dam, Mercena Posch, has a record of 27 lbs. butter in seven days, and the dam of Count Faforit Mercena is Faforit 3rd's Lass, with a record of 18 lbs., and two of her sisters have records of 26 and 211 lbs., respectively. As this bull's heifers are now of breeding age, he is for sale, a high-class herd-header for some fortunate breeder; he is three years of age, and right every way. To take his place, Mr. Hicks has lately purchased a young son of the great King Segis, who has fifty-two daughters, and three sons with seven daughters in the Advanced Registry, twelve of his daughters with records that average 24% lbs., he by Mercedes Julip's Pietertje Paul, with ffty-two daughters, and five sons with fifty-eight daughters ... the A. R., he again by Johanna Rue 2nd's Paul De Kol, with twenty-two daughters, and eight sons with eighty-three daughters in the A. R. The dam of this young bull is Blanche Lyons De Kol, with an official record of 33.31 lbs. butter in seven days, and 134.78 lbs. in thirty days, and her butter-fat test was 4.38 per cent., she by Pietertje Hengerveld's Count De Kol, who has sixty-three daughters in the A. R., seven with records from 25 to 33.31 lbs.; the dam of Blanch Lyons De Kol is Blanche Lyons, with a record at years of 17% lbs., and she has five daughters with records averaging over 30 lbs. This is one of the most intensive producing-bred bulls living, and, coupled with the daughters of Count Faforit Mercena, should produce record-breakers. Very many of the females of the herd belong to the great Faforit family that have produced so many Toronto winners and grand champions bred in this herd. Among the many good ones now in the herd is that splendid cow, Rideau's Dellah's Lena De Kol, with a butter rec ord of 21% lbs. in seven days, and milkrecord of 14,000 lbs. in ten months; her dam has a revord of 20 lbs., and her full sister a yearly R.-of-P. milk-record of 15,000 lbs. Out of this cow, for sale, are a yearling bull and a bull calf, both sired by the old bull. This cow breeding and great record besides the man given above, a two years, with a 27-16 ther half-sister with a record; also 1 21,000 lbs. Another yearling bull for sale, has for dam a con with a vea-ly ! of 714 lbs. Another bul! a cow with a sevencalf has in year-old. these mount d a number of yearling heifers.

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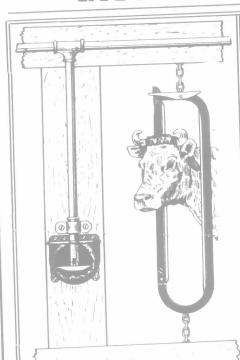
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