

## GOSSIP.

Write to advertisers, mention the "Farmer's Advocate."

A sheep owner of Wellington Co., Ont., has 14 ewes, 6 of them shearlings, which have given birth to 34 lambs this season; 6 had triplets and 8 had twins.

The statement is published in an American daily paper that a Mr. Haatt, of Hartford City, Ind., has a contract with the British Government to furnish 6,000 horses for army purposes.

H. Bennett & Sons, St. Williams, Ont., writes under date May 4th: "Kindly omit from our advertisement 'young sows in pig' as we have disposed of all we had to spare, thanks to the Advocate. We will now make a special offering of spring pigs."

A prominent fruit grower who has examined many orchards from Niagara westward finds the prospect excellent for a large crop of apples, peaches, pears, plums and small fruits. Wheat and clover have wintered well, and the outlook for good returns is promising.

Geo. F. Powell, of Cornell University, has been inspecting the orchards in Columbia County, and has discovered at Germantown the San Jose scale, one of the most dangerous pests known. He said that unless vigorous steps are taken to eradicate it the entire orchard interests of the Hudson Valley will be endangered.

Mr. Theo. Guy, Sydenham Farm, Oshawa, Ont., reports the sale of a young Ayrshire bull to W. H. Evey & Son, Bar River, Muskoka, Ont. He also claims to have for sale three bulls, coming two years old, of very nice quality and breeding and in good condition. The Sydenham herd is of long-standing and reputable character. We are sorry to learn that Mr. Guy continues in very poor health.

A general circular from the Superintendent of Farmers' Institutes for Ontario, Mr. F. W. Hodson, has been issued, announcing that the annual meetings of the local institutes throughout the Province will be held on Tuesday, June 1st, at 1 p. m., for the reception of the annual reports, election of officers, and other business. Reports of the annual meetings are to be sent to the Superintendent not later than June 20th in order to obtain the usual Government grant.

The Canadian House of Commons has authorized the printing of 40,000 copies of the evidence of Prof. Robertson, Agricultural Commissioner, in relation to the arrangement made by the Department of Agriculture for the export in cold storage to Great Britain of perishable food products. Arrangements are practically completed with the C. P. R. and G. T. R. for train service, in addition to ample steamship accommodation. A fruit-collecting depot and warehouse is to be established for the Niagara peninsula.

H. K. Fairbairn, Rose Cottage Stock Farm, Thedford, Ont., writes:—"Our herd of Shorthorns are out of winter quarters in good shape. We have sold the grand young bull, Little Lad 3rd, we showed at London and Toronto last fall to Mr. Johnson, Corwin, of Crookes Township. This bull's dam is by Prince Albert -3068-, owned by R. & S. Nicholson, Sylvan, Ont., and later by H. & W. Smith, Hay. We are fitting some grand young things for the industrial and Western fairs. The stock bull, Dainty Dave, is growing into a fine animal and promises to be a hard one to pass next fall. We are fitting a sweet pair of heifers which we think will be heard from next fall. We have a Berkshire boar and sow of Duncan Graham's very best breeding, and they are as good as their breeding. Some choice heifers for sale at up-to-date prices."

The following new regulations have been adopted by order-in-council governing the shipment of cattle from Canada to the English market:—Fat cattle carried on the upper or spar deck, or any other deck, must be given a space of two feet eight inches clear in width by eight feet clear in length each, and not less than six feet three inches in height. As regards space for sheep, not more than eight or ten sheep will be counted equal to one fat ox, according to the discretion of the inspector. United States cattle shipped from any port in Canada carried on the upper or spar deck must be allowed a space of two feet six inches in width and eight feet in depth per head, but such United States cattle when so shipped between decks must be allowed a space of two feet eight in width by eight feet in depth.

Vol. VIII. of Hampshire Down Flock Book contains the pedigrees of rams Nos. 2054 to 2411, and about 200 flocks. Among the amended by-laws we notice the following:—"A flock may be considered eligible for entry if it be proved conclusively that no rams other than those from registered flocks have been used during the five years immediately preceding the date of entry, but in such and all other cases applications for the registration of sheep are received only on the understanding that the applicant agrees to the inspection of his flock, if considered necessary by the Council, as to the eligibility of his flock for entry, and that he agrees to pay half the expenses of such inspection." The Secretary of the Association is J. E. Rawlinson, The Canal, Salisbury, England. The book is substantially gotten up.

## HEREFORDS AGAIN SELL WELL.

At the auction sale of Messrs. Scott & Marsh, Belton, Mo., held on April 29th, seventy-two animals sold for the splendid average of \$158.50. The animals were all young, ranging from eleven to fourteen months old. An immense crowd of buyers was present from the States of Nebraska, Kansas, Wyoming, Colorado and Missouri. The cattle were a very uniform, smooth lot, and was perhaps the youngest offering throughout that has been sold in many years. None of the animals was of outstanding merit over all the others, and no extreme prices were paid. No animal sold for less than \$100, and the top price for a female was \$230, and \$290 was the highest price for a male. Although time payments were permitted, the \$11,390 worth of cattle were paid for in cash except \$130.

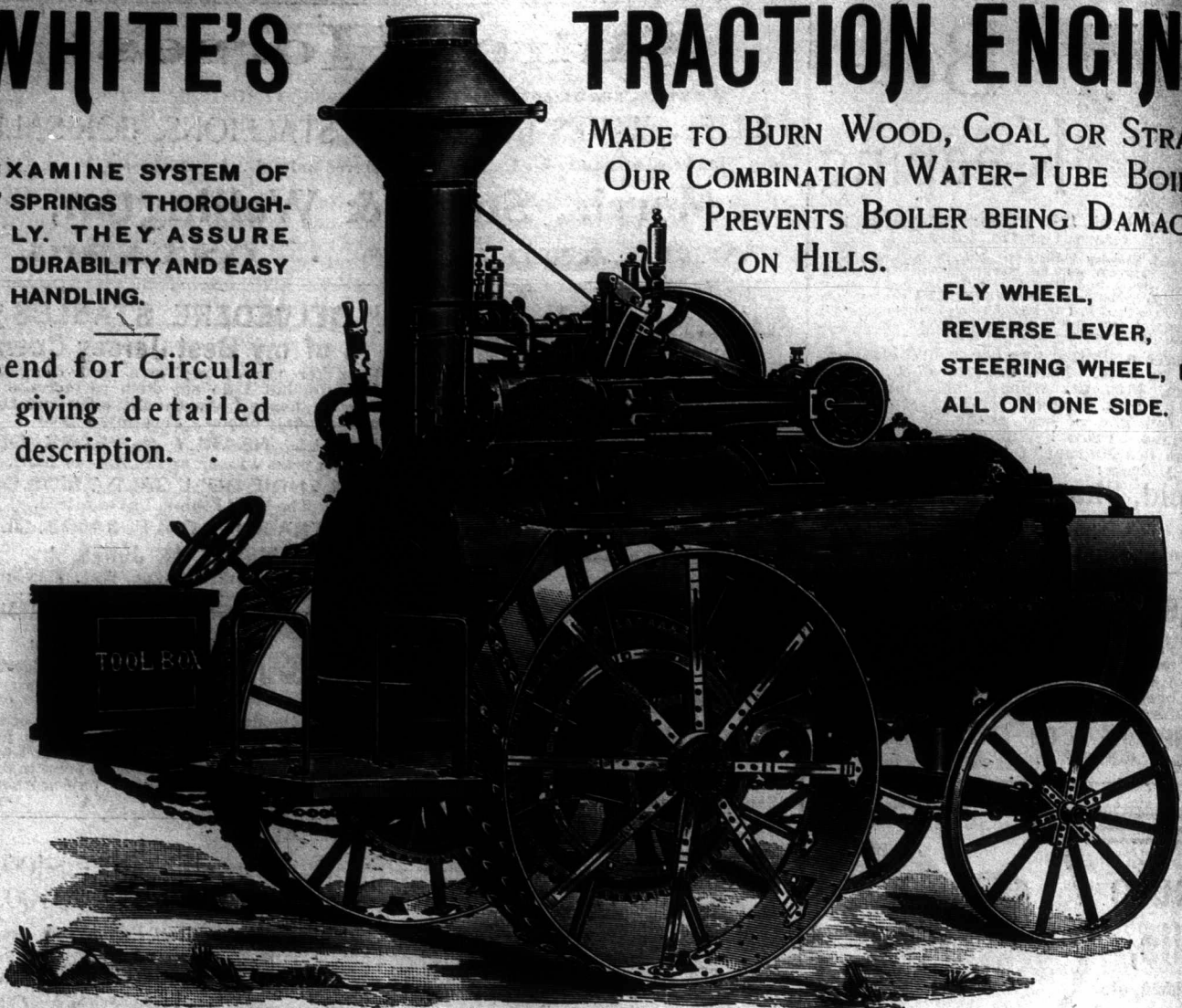
## GALLOWAYS BRING GOOD PRICES.

Mr. S. P. Clark, Dover, Illinois, dispersed his forty head of Galloways at auction, on April 28th, at the good round average of \$100. Eight bulls averaged \$124 and thirty-two females \$97.50; \$210 was reached for a bull and \$205 for a female calf.

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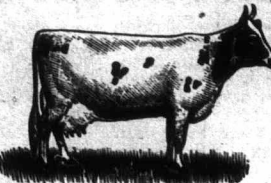
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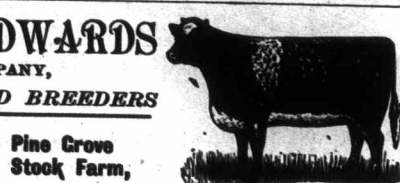
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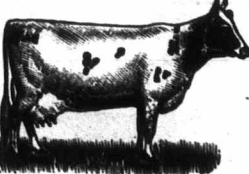
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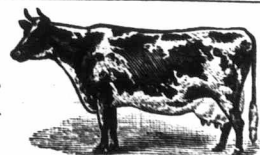
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