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GOSSIP.

The fourteenth annual meeting of the Holstein-Friesian Association of America will be held at Iroquois Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y., Wednesday, June 7th, at 10 a. m. It requires 100 members personally or by proxy to constitute a quorum.

J. F. MCKAY'S POLAND-CHINAS AND POULTRY.

Some twenty-five head of select Poland-China swine were on hand at the time of our visit upon Mr. J. F. McKay, at Parkhill, Ont., the most of which are the result of the mating of Parkhill King, by the noted Conrad's Model, and out of the show sow Bryant's Choice, to such sows as Olga and Mysie, by Lennox and Tiny, by James Blain (imp.). Much care has been given in the selection of the lengthy type, and Mr. McKay's management has been such as to strengthen rather than diminish this quality. Much satisfactory stock has been sent out from this herd, and at no season has there been a better bunch than at the present.

Much attention is also given to pure-bred fowls. Of the Barred Plymouth Rocks, of Lyon, Fenton and Duff strains, we saw a couple of fine, fresh, well barred, healthy pens. In Light Brahmas we think we never saw better; they were selected from Lyon breeding, and are strong, vigorous, well-kept birds, with splendid plumage. A few very fine Bronze turkeys and Pekin ducks are also kept, and a pen of Toulouse geese. And as the firm's ambition is the production of something good in poultry, parties desiring reliable stock, either in eggs for hatching or matured stock, may rely upon gilt-edge orders from Mr. J. F. McKay.

WILLIAM GRAINGER & SON'S SHORTHORNS.

The extensive improvements under progress at the time of our last visit to Wm. Grainger & Son's farm, Lonsdale, Ont., last year, and very greatly to the convenience and out of their extensive breeding operations, and a would be hard to imagine. Everything has been well considered and carried out in detail. The row of 10 x 18 foot box stalls for the young things to winter in are the best arranged for their purpose we have seen, and the result is plainly visible on the young stock.

The herd was founded on the noted Fairmaid of Hullet 2nd, of World's Fair fame in the milking test, and the mating to such sires as Truce Bearer, Golden Nugget, and the present stock bull, Beau Ideal 22554, by Sittytton Stamp (imp.) 24824, by Banner Bearer, and running through many of Scotland's most noted sires and showyard winners, has proved a distinct success. At present the firm has four splendid three-year-old Golden Nugget females of exceptional quality and true characteristic Shorthorn type, which quality is very fully brought out in the Beau Ideal progeny of more tender age, and as their grandam was a member of an exceptionally good milking family, the high dairy qualities of the Fairmaid tribe will be largely maintained. Beau Ideal has made wonderful advance since we first saw him, and is held in the highest esteem by his proud owners, as he possesses the ability to stamp strength and quality on his offspring. The pair of five-months sons of Kitty Clay and Busy Bee are youngsters worthy of the attention of breeders requiring straight good sires of sterling breeding; they have plenty of bone, a great wealth of natural flesh, broad, level backs (the exact pattern of their sire's), and covered by skins of the finest texture, in solid red color. The young females too are not behind their brothers in Shorthorn conformation, and show the early maturing qualities of the race to which they belong. Mr. Grainger's young stock always advances rapidly, but at no season in our recollection has more real progress been made than in the past year. Some important sales have recently been made and tempting offers refused, and from what we can gather we are inclined to believe the Messrs. Grainger's ambition is to make this one of the largest and most important herds on the continent, and will only be limited to the capacity of the extensive accommodation provided. Fourteen cows have and will drop calves during the present season, mostly to the service of Beau Ideal.

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