

STOCK GOSSIP.

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

The celebrated Ayrshire herd, the property of the late Thomas Brown, Petite Cote, will be sold April 20th. The dispersion of this finely bred herd offers a rare chance to buyers. See advertisement in this issue.

"The FARMER'S ADVOCATE must have a great circulation," states Mr. S. Ling, of the Fort Rouge Poultry Yards, Winnipeg, "judging by the very large number of letters I am receiving daily from parties enquiring for poultry and eggs in response to my advertisement."

SHEEP RAISING IN DAKOTA is a financial success, as is evidenced by the statements made by prominent Dakotians in a pamphlet just issued by the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway, copy of which will be sent free upon application to J. H. Hiland, General Freight Agent, Chicago, Ill., or to A. J. Taylor, Canadian Pass. Agent, 4 Palmer House Block, Toronto, Ont.

Mr. John E. Smith, Brandon, informs us that his stock, consisting of Clydesdales, Shorthorns, and Herefords have come through the winter in good condition. His horses number seventy-two, twenty-five of which are registered, including seven stallions. His fine herd of Shorthorns is headed by the remarkable Windsor; he is also the owner of Royal Scott and four others. He has five Hereford bulls of different ages fit for service. His Herefords, fed entirely on straw during the winter, are reported in good trim.

J. C. Snell, Edmonton, reports a strong crop of lambs coming in his flock of Cotswolds, with a proportion of twins and triplets: "too many by half in some cases." The demand for Cotswolds is increasing, and the prospect good. Among recent sales are ten yearling ewes and one imported ram to S. H. Anderson, Oxford, Ind.; two yearling ewes to Austin Carrothers, Regina, N. W. T. Of Berkshires, one imported sow to S. Coxworth, Claremont; one sow to E. V. Miller, Morley, Iowa. Mr. Snell has recently bought seven of Mr. Main's imported show sheep, including the 1st and 2nd prize ewe lambs and 1st prize ram lamb at the leading shows last year.

Mr. Auzias-Turenne writes us as follows:—"The World's Fair did not care even to send us an answer about the Percheron stud book of Canada. The rules are practically the same as the stud book of America, and I feel sure that the latter one has something to do with such carelessness or ill-will. I am sure that you will say a word about it in your next issue. There are registered in this Percheron stud book of Canada some all-over-Dominion prize winners, and I know that the owners would be glad to send them to the World's Fair, but they will not pay \$10 and have them registered again in the Percheron stud book of America."

Mr. F. A. Folger, proprietor of the Rideau Stock Farm, writes us as follows:—"I have sold the following calves: Bull calf, calved Feb. 14th, by Ethelkas Prince 13637, dam Nixie L. 5155, to Mr. John Pickering, Frelighsburg. Bull calf, by Ethelkas Prince, out of Nixie L.'s daughter 20861, to Mr. L. E. Price, Mountain Grove. Heifer calf by Ethelkas Prince, out of Ferno 8863, to Mr. Alex. Dolg, Lachute, Que. Heifer calf, by Ethelkas Prince, out of Jungfrau, to John Pickering, Frelighsburg, Que." It will be observed that all the above are sired by the richly-bred bull Ethelkas Prince, described in our March issue.

Mr. Arthur Johnston, of Greenwood, reports enquiries for young Shorthorn bulls very much greater than ever before, with some sales. Prices offered are, in many cases, entirely too low to pay for breeding good ones. Hundreds could be sold at prices that would pay well to breed the cheaper class of bulls. The calves to date in the Greenwood herd are not only good ones, and all alive, but they are without an exception excellent calves. There has not been a sick or delicate animal in the herd all winter. The young bulls, now fit for service and for sale, are a good lot, and in fine form for usefulness.

IMPORTANT TO STOCKMEN AND BREEDERS—Mr. Robert Wrightman, Owen Sound, Ont., when renewing his advertisement, writes as follows concerning the goods he advertises:—"We would call the attention of all farmers to the importance of Little's Sheep and Cattle Wash, now used extensively all over the Dominion, and is rapidly superseding all other preparations. The arsenical dips and dips composed of lime and sulphur, and other poisonous and hurtful ingredients, it is well known have a pernicious effect on the quantity and quality of the wool; they also injure the sheep, and, in some cases, cause death. The effect of this fluid is quite the reverse of this, being of a natural, healthy character it softens the skin and fleece, and has the property of greatly stimulating the growth of the wool and improving its quality and value. It thoroughly and completely cures scab without risk of failure; ticks, lice and all insects are destroyed instantly without the slightest danger to men or animals. It at once destroys all parasites infesting the skin of cattle, horses, dogs or any other domestic animal. It is a certain cure for mange. As a healing lotion for wounds, sores, saddle-galls, fetid ulcers, etc., there is nothing equal to it. It promotes a rapid healing and destroys any foul smell. It is also the most perfect, active and powerful disinfectant and germicide known, and will prevent and arrest outbreaks of contagious and infectious diseases, such as foot and mouth disease. In fact, no farmer or breeder can afford to be without this preparation, as recommended by the Hon. John Dryden and other large stockmen." See advertisement.

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