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## STOCK NOTES.

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J. & Nathan Norton, of 1st Con., Westminster, have sold the celebrated stallion, Sunk Island Hero, to Mr. Peter Macrae, of Centreville, P. E. I., for the sum of \$2,000.

During the late pleuro-pneumonia infection amongst Jersey cattle in Illinois, Dr. Smith, Principal of the Ontario Veterinary College, was commissioned by the Dominion to go and ascertain the extent of the outbreak in that State. He believes that not only the infected animals should be slaughtered, but also all those having had any contact with them, the State recompensing the owners for the loss, and thinks that a fund of \$140,600 of compensation money would be required.

This is the "weeding out" season. The expert feeder may have old, but will never have inferior stock, to weed out; but this is not the man to whom we purpose addressing our remarks. The farmer who has a quantity of inferior stock, cows or steers, has a heavy burden to bear during all the winter months. Their usefulness as manure machines may be doubted, to regular buyers or feeders he can not sell them at a margin of profit, and his prospect is confined to making sales to neighboring farmers whose skill in judging live stock is inferior to his own. If there are any old cows in the lot get rid of them at any sacrifice.

The Canada Farm Stock Association, Brantford, Ont., sold Rigdon Huston & Son, Blandinsville, Ill., the 11-months old Shorthorn bull, 2nd Duke of Brant, for \$5,000; Duke of Sharon 14th, 7-months old, to Kellogg & Fitzgerald, Portland, N. J., price \$400; Opheus 16th, calved Nov. 30, 1882, to Dougal Ferguson, Pt. Stanley, Ont., for \$350; Duke of Kirklevington 21st, calved April 2nd, 1884, and Princess Victoria 20th, to B. F. Winn, Graysonville, Mo., for \$1,000 each; Baron Louan 10th, calved April 9th, 1883, to Thos. Ayres, Galveston, Texas, for \$350; Baron Fawsley 8th, calved Dec. 31st, 1882, to Mr. Mann, Bowmanville,

Before stabling the stock the first duty to be attended to, is to calculate the quantity of feed on hand, and then compare it with the number of animals it has to sustain through the winter. Yet this practice should not be the highest aim of the feeder. If he has business capacity as well as experience in feeding, his object will be to accommodate the feed to the herd, not the herd to the feed. He will not only retain all the good animals he has, but also buy up all the good ones which he can procure at reasonable figures, making up any deficiency in his food supply by purchases. He will also watch the market reports closely, and will sell such food stuffs as will bring more than their intrinsic value, purchasing those which are worth more to him than the market prices.

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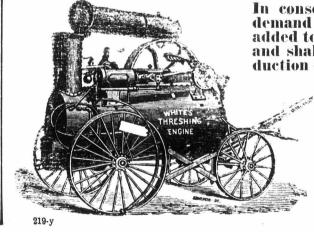
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