

STOCK GOSSIP.

The Guelph, Ont., fat stock show will be held in the city of Guelph on the 11th and 12th of this month. This is the best show of the kind held in Canada, and deserves liberal support and patronage. It seems strange that none of the other cities can equal Guelph in this particular.

In a recent letter to us, the Hon. M. H. Cochrane, of Hillhurst, Quebec, says:—"I am pleased to report that the Hillhurst show herds reached home safely on the 30th of September, after a very successful tour at the Stanstead, Sherbrooke, London, Toronto, and Hamilton Exhibitions. At London, the first prize Hereford bull calf, Paul Wilton, was sold to Joseph Baker, Littlewood, Ont., and at Toronto, the first-prize Aberdeen-Angus yearling bull, Black Huzzar 9403, to Mr. H. Stairs, Port Williams Station, N. S. The Hereford herd now numbers 70 head, Aberdeen Angus 86, Jersey 33, all of which have gone into winter quarters in very satisfactory condition. Last month an importation of Shropshires reached Hillhurst, ex. S. S. "Toronto," consisting of the prize ram, Beau Ideal, 3871, bred by Mr. J. Bourne, Arbour Farm, Market Drayton, winner of first prize at Newport, and second at Barton and Lancaster, as a lamb, first prize at Congleton, and reserved number at Walsall this season as a yearling; also the shearing ram, Fair Wind, bred by John Harding, Norton House, Shifnal, by Fair Trade, 3479, and twenty-five choice shearing ewes, bred by Mr. A. E. Mansell, Astol, Shifnal, sired by Contentment 3434, Attractor 2917, the Patrician 1768, and Potentate 3060.

A meeting of the directors of the Dominion Draught Horse Breeders' Society was held in the Rattenbury House, Clinton, on Tuesday Oct. 8th, President John McMillan presiding. A large amount of routine business was transacted. It was decided to close the acceptance of entries in volume B on March 1st, 1890, when the volume will immediately be put in print. They recommended to the annual meeting, to be held in December next, that the standard of the next volume require three crosses of accepted sires in either stallions or mares presented for registry. A notice of motion was made to define more clearly at the annual meeting that the progeny of stallions or mares registered in the books of the society shall also be eligible for registry in the same or succeeding volumes. The books of the secretary and treasurer show the society to be in a first-class financial condition, and the directors report for the coming annual meeting will be most satisfactory to the society.

Mr. John Jackson, Abingdon, Ont., sends us the following notes of his celebrated flock so widely known as the Woodside Flock of Southdown Sheep. This flock has made, in 1889, the best record in the shows ever made by a flock of Southdown Sheep in any country. They are all imported and bred from the most celebrated flocks in England, viz.:—Henry Webb's, J. J. Colman's, Geo. Jonas', C. Chapman's and H. R. H. the Prince of Wales, and includes a number of first prize royal winners. The following imported stock rams are now in use in the flock:—Champion, 2916.—Bred by Jonas, sire Little John Dav, dam by Webb's Gumeperu; awarded 1st at Buffalo, 1888, and 1st with five of his get over all middle wools, also 1st at Toronto and London. In 1889, was 1st at Toronto, London and Hamilton. Young Hardwood, 2917.—Bred by Webb, sire Hardwood, dam by General Favorite; was 1st at Kingston and Hamilton as a yearling, in 1888; was 1st at Detroit, in 1889, at the head of flock awarded 1st, was 1st with five of his get and sweepstake for best ram any age. Lord Gloucester, 2918.—Bred by Webb, sire Gloucester, dam by St. Blaze; bred the same as the ram Cambridgeshire, the topped Webb's sale with 210 guineas to the Duke of Richmond; was 1st at Buffalo, 1889, at the head of flock awarded 1st, and sweepstake for best ram any age. Norwich Beau, 2919.—Bred by Coleman, sire Norwich, (twice winner at the Royal), dam by son of Kilburn, (1st Norfolk, Suffolk and Essex.) This sheep has been shown at 9 shows, and won as many prizes. The Woodside Flock has been exhibited at ten shows in 1889, and been awarded 116 prizes—68 firsts, 28 seconds and 16 thirds. At the two large st shows in the United States—Buffalo and Detroit and the three largest in Canada—London, Toronto and Hamilton, the result was as follows:—With the flock divided, one part showing in the United States and the other part in Canada at the same time. At Buffalo International Fair—1st and 2nd for aged rams; 1st shearing; 1st and 2nd, ram lambs; 1st and 2nd, aged ewes; 1st and 2nd, shearing ewes; 1st, ewe lambs; 1st and 2nd, flock; 2nd, ram and five of his get; sweepstake for best ram any age; sweepstake for ewe any age. At Detroit International Fair—1st and 2nd for aged rams; 1st and 2nd for shearing ewes; 1st and 2nd, shearing ewes; 1st and 2nd, ram lambs; 1st and 2nd, aged ewes; 1st and 2nd, flock; 1st and 2nd, ram and five of his get; sweepstake for ram any age; sweepstake for ewe any age. At the Ontario Provincial Fair, London—1st and 2nd for aged rams; 1st, shearing; 1st and 3rd, ram lambs; 1st and 3rd, aged ewes; 1st, 2nd and 3rd, shearing ewes; 1st, 2nd and 3rd, ewe lambs; silver medal for best imported flock; silver medal for best flock, Canadian bred. At the Toronto Industrial Fair—1st and 2nd for aged ram; 1st, shearing; 1st, ram lamb; 1st, aged ewes; 1st and 2nd, shearing ewes; 1st, ewe lambs; 1st and 2nd for flocks. At the Great Central Fair, Hamilton—1st and 2nd, aged ewes; 1st and 2nd, shearing ewes; 1st, aged ewes; 1st and 2nd, flock. The prizes at the above five shows amount to \$900.00 cash and two silver medals. Mr. Jackson cordially invites all who are interested in this valuable breed of sheep to come and inspect his flock.

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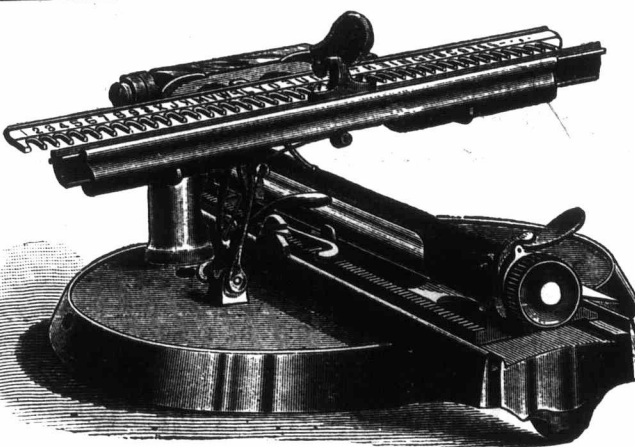
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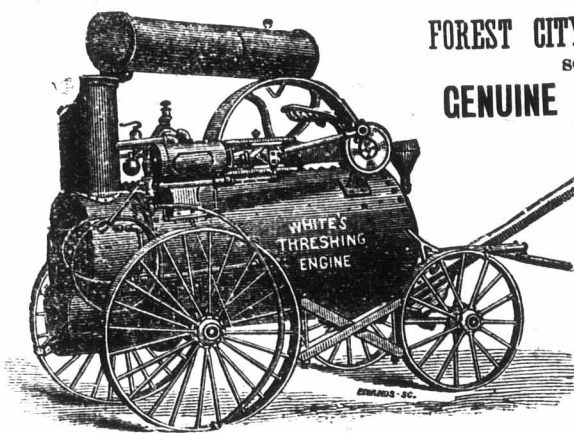


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