

Stock Notes.

Imports of Live Stock from Europe Prohibited.

RIGID QUARANTINE ESTABLISHED.

The *Canada Gazette* issued at Ottawa, April 21, contains an Order in Council for the restriction and the regulation of the importation of cattle and other animals on account of the disease prevailing in many parts of Europe. The importation of cattle from Europe is prohibited, except at Halifax, St. John and Quebec, and all importation through these ports are to be subjected to a rigid quarantine.

The Commissioners of the Centennial "assume" that 700 head of cattle will cover all desirable entries, and apportion the stalls upon that basis—270 to Shorthorns, 140 to Channel Islands, 70 to Devons, 70 to Holsteins, 70 to Ayrshires, and 70 to other breeds. Draught and fat cattle to be admitted irrespective of breed. The programme seems to have been drawn up by some one not overburdened with knowledge of stock matters. The Herefords, one of the most important breeds, are left out, and, if shown, would have to be among "other pure breeds."

Seven cattle of the Rose of Sharon breed arrived in New York recently from Kentucky, for shipment to England. They are valued at \$5,000 each, and were purchased by A. F. Fox.

The Western Fair Association held a meeting, April 12, in London, to make arrangements for the next exhibition. They decided to expend the sum of \$12,000 in making an attractive show.

The Kingston Dairymen's Board of Trade have resolved that eight cents per gallon of ten pounds be the highest price paid for milk this season, delivered at the factory.

Mr. Simon Beattie, of Toronto, Ont., has recently sold to Mr. Wm. Crozier, of Northport, N. Y., the important one-year-old Clyde horse, Dinna Forget, and the imported Clyde mare, Falls of Clyde; also the Clyde mare, Queen of Scots, and two improved Ayrshire cows. The entire lot was sold for \$4,350. In addition to the above sale, Mr. Beattie has sold to Mr. Brooks, Mitchell, Ontario, the superior stock horse, Glencarn, at a long price. He must have been a good one, as Mr. B. says he was too good to leave our "canny country."

Messrs. Moore & Robson, of London Township, have imported the very fine Parcheron horse, Louis Napoleon, from R. G. Brooks, Bloomfield, Illinois. No doubt but he will add value to the stock in his locality.

The favorite Shorthorn stock maintain their place in public estimation, and bring as good prices as heretofore. From English exchanges we take a synopsis of sales lately reported:—

At the Drayton exchange sale there was a large attendance, and 25 yearling bulls and bull calves of Sir Wilfrid Lawson and Mr. John P. Foster were disposed of. They were brought out in excellent condition, and the bidding was brisk. The twenty-five animals were sold at an average price of £48 11s.

At the Broadway sale there were sold 29 cows and heifers, averaging £74 1s. 7d., and three bulls at an average of £41 6s. Total amount, £2,272 4s.

At the joint sale of shorthorn bulls, held at Torres, about sixty animals were sold at good prices. The majority of the animals were of average quality, though several were of great merit. Mr. Brine topped the sale, both as to average and individual prices. His nine bulls averaged £49 a head, the highest price being seventy-three guineas.

At a joint sale of stock of Messrs. Collart, Sprague and Dr. Devin, U.S., seventeen cows and heifers and one bull were sold at an average price of \$345. Total amount, \$6,220. Twenty-nine cows and heifers were sold for \$6,260, and eight bulls, \$1,005—an average for the thirty-seven animals of \$197.

At the sale of the herd of Mr. Brett, Nottingham, there was a large company present, but the stock was not in the most suitable condition, having suffered from a late attack of foot and mouth, said to be the eleventh time in fourteen years. Thirty-five cows averaged £28, and eleven bulls £11 18s. 6d. The highest price for a cow was 50 guineas, and for a bull, 30 guineas.

The stock of Mr. R. Thornton, farmer, Darlington, comprising thirty-two pure-bred Shorthorns were sold in consequence of the proprietor, who is now in his eighty-second year, retiring from the farm. The highest price was 62 guineas for a cow, Darling Gwynne, a representative of the Gwynne tribe. The chief lot among the bulls was April Fool, by Albert King, for 45 guineas.

Mr. Marshall, McLean County, Ill., has lately obtained nine head of Cotswold ewes, bred in Canada, and safe in lamb by imported rams, at a cost of \$25 each.—*Live Stock Journal*.

IMPORTATION OF THOROUGHBRED STOCK.—We notice that Mr. Moncrieff has imported to this town two very fine thoroughbred short-horn cows—Lady Halton and Rose Third, both of which are with calf. They are of sound pedigree and are beautiful specimens of short-horns, and in ordinary condition, we should say, would weigh about 1,500 lbs. each. We question much if they have any equals in the country. The same gentleman has also imported two very fine Berkshire pigs, named respectively Prince Arthur and the Fifth Duchess of Gloucester. Prince Arthur's dam was imported Souvenir, and his sire the famous boar Lord Liverpool, imported from England in 1874, after he had taken first prizes at the Bath and West of England, the Royal Counties, and the Gloucestershire Shows. Lord Liverpool was sold last fall for \$700, to go to Missouri. Fifth Duchess of Gloucester's dam was from imported Duchess of Gloucester, and her sire imported British Sovereign. They were both bred by Messrs. John Snell & Sons, of Edmonton, and are without exception two of the most perfect models of pigs we have seen for some time, and well worthy the inspection of all those interested in thoroughbred stock. Mr. Moncrieff has, in our opinion, made excellent selections, as they will undoubtedly be a credit to Beechwood Farm. We hope to hear of many following in the same footsteps; improvement of stock is much needed in this neighborhood, and all efforts in that direction should meet with hearty support.—*Petroleum Advertiser*.

Mr. John S. Armstrong, of Cranberry Farm, has left for Great Britain to purchase stock for Canada. His stock has wintered well; some of them never looked better. He has some choice heifers, from his imported bull, Young Heir. He has disposed of all his yearling bulls, except some first-class young ones for next year.

Messrs. J. & R. Hunter, of Sunnyside, have sold short-horn bulls as follows:—To John Cook, Shakespeare, roan bull Pilot, got by Knight of Warlab [1634] (29014), dam Queen of the May by Clifton Duke 2nd [133] 7711. To Mr. More, Shakespeare, red and white bull, got by Knight of Warlab [1634] (29014), dam Rose by Sir Henry [678]. To Henry Groff, Almira, red bull Young Lord Aberdeen, got by Lord Aberdeen [3481], dam Flora by Knight of Warlab [1634] (29014). To John Gerrie, Parker, roan bull Marksman, got by Lord Aberdeen [3481], dam Princess by Knight of Warlab [1634] (29014). To Wm. Fareweather, Alma, roan bull Windsor, got by Knight of Warlab [1634] (29014), dam Oxford Lass by Bell, Duke of Oxford 830. Their short-horns have wintered well, and are all in a healthy breeding condition. The calves, the get of Lord Aberdeen, are a very even lot. They have two heifer calves by Baron Booth of Kilerby, one of them out of the prize heifer Maid of Honor, a very pretty roan, with a square thick body on short legs.

Messrs. Walter S. Rogers, of Bradford, and E. Jeffs, of Bond Head, have lately purchased from Colonel Taylor, of London, the short-horn bull calf "Duke of Sharon." He is got by the celebrated bull 17th Duke of Airdrie, his dam is the Rose of Sharon cow "Rosa Sharon 4th." The calf promises to make a grand bull, and no doubt will be a great benefit to the farmers in the vicinity, who may have the privilege of obtaining his services.

Richard Gibson, London Township, sold to A. J. C. Shaer, Thamesville, Ont., bull calf

"Frantic's Airdrie," by 22nd Duke of Airdrie, dam Frantic 18th. The above is a very large well-fleshed young bull of excellent quality. He will no doubt be of great benefit to Mr. Shaer's herd; and also "Bosquet Prince," a roan, bred by C. E. Coffin, Maryland, got by imported Lord Abraham, dam Gwynne Duchess 2nd., to Mr. Pollock and others, Forest, Ont.

T. L. Harrison, Esq., Albany, N. Y., has sent his fine Cambridge Rose, and Bonny Red Rose 2nd, and Mr. B. Sumner, Woodstock, Conn., his Bright Eyes and heifer Sunshine to Mr. Gibson's 22nd Duke of Airdrie 16695.

John Snell & Sons have secured by cable message, from Mr. Heber Humfrey, Shrinham, England, his Berkshire boar, "Sir Dorchester Cardiff," a "royal winner," and probably the most valuable boar in England. This boar with two sows in farrow, and another fine young boar, are expected out sometime during the present month. Messrs. Snell have recently sold six Cotswold rams to C. W. Cook & Co., of Camp Baker, Montana Territory.

The following Canadian sales are announced:—

June 14th.—Hon. H. M. Cochrane, Compton, P. Q., Simon Beattie, Toronto, and John Markham, will hold a joint public sale at Toronto.

June 15.—Hon. Geo. Brown, Bow Park, will hold a public sale of Shorthorns at Toronto.

June 16.—Messrs. Snell & Sons, Edmonton, will sell their entire herd at Toronto.

Prize Offer.

We will give a prize for the best article on Seeding Land for Meadows or Pastures, to be in this office by the 20th of this month, to be written by a farmer.

We hear that the Hon. G. Brown has sold Bow Park, for three hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars, to a company, for the purpose of more fully carrying on the improvement of stock. We believe this will be of advantage to the country.

Weeping Trees.

The association of the common weeping willow with water leads people to think that it will not succeed elsewhere; but there are few spots, even away from water, in which it will not thrive if the soil be deep. I have seen really grand specimens of it growing on lawns. Scarcely less beautiful is the weeping birch; for, although its spray is not so long as that of the willow, yet, owing to the tree being more lofty, it is nearly equally effective. Not so graceful, perhaps, as either of these, but a better arbor tree, is the weeping ash. Owing to its extreme pendulous habit, it is necessary that it should be worked on very tall stocks, as if height is not secured at first it cannot be obtained afterwards. The weeping ash should be planted in quiet, secluded spots, where, when fully grown, it may form a pleasant retreat during sunny days. It will be found that a tree with a stem considerably bent or inclined at the top, will form the most convenient arbor tree, as the position of the stem will then be at one side, instead of in the centre.—A. D., in *The Garden*.

MANUFACTURE AS WELL AS PRODUCE.—If, as a nation, we desire to become practically independent and permanently prosperous, we must manufacture as well as produce. We should export manufactured articles, instead of sending to other countries so vast an amount of raw material as we do. When we do this, and at the same time import articles made from it, it indicates a very small per cent. of common sense. Our true policy is to develop, in a proportionate rate, both agriculture and manufactures. One of our ablest contemporaries very justly remarks that:—"Only that community or section is prosperous which manufactures as well as produces raw material. The operatives in the factories being consumers, also give home markets for products. If we can manufacture all we need, the operatives will use here at home such of our products as they now consume off somewhere else where we now have to ship this produce, and pay high freights on it to them. What we furnish them has this freight added, and they are in turn compelled to add this difference to the price of the goods they manufacture, ship and sell back to us. We pay three freights; one on raw material, one on manufactured goods sent back to us, and one on the food we send them for their workmen."