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One day as Pat halted at the top of the river bank, a man famous for his inquisitive mind stopped and asked: "How long have you hauled water for the village, my good man?" "Tin years, sor." "Ah! How many loads do you take in a day?" "From tin to fifteen, sor." "Ah, yes! Now I have a problem for you. How much water at this rate have you hauled in all, sir?" The driver of the watering cart jerked his thumb backward toward the river and replied: "All the water yez don't see there now, sor."

The first slice of goose had been cut, and the negro minister who had been invited to dine, looked at it with as keen anticipation as was displayed in the faces around him.

"Dat's as fine a goose as I ever saw, Brudder Williams," he said to his host "Where did you get such a fine one?"

"Well, now, Mistah Rawley," said the carver of the goose, with a sudden access of dignity, "when you preach a special good sermon I never axes you where you got it. Seems to me dat's a trivial matter, anyway."



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"CRAIGIE MAINS" HORSES.

There is one thing in connection with the horse industry of our new West in which we should all take pride and that is the class of stock handled by the proprietors of "Craigie Mains" stock farm at Lumsden, Sask. Messrs. Mutch have unexcelled facilities for handling and breeding the best of stock and of supplying the country. The farm produces the best of hay and oats and the buildings are clean and roomy. Everything about "Craigie Mains" bespeaks hospitality and welcome and a visit to the farm in search of a stallion or females is a real treat.

It is some years now since pure bred Clydesdales were first kept and the start was made in a modest way. Later, a few mares by the great stock horse, Lord Channing, were purchased from D. & O. Sorby of Guelph and these proved such excellent breeders when mated with the imported stock horse Baron's Gem that "Craigie Mains" soon sprang into prominence. Baron's Gem, however, was the real source of the enviable reputation of "Craigie Mains." He was bought by Messrs. Mutch as an untried three-year-old but his usefulness as a breeder was not long in doubt. His colts from almost all kinds of mares began to come with a regularity and evenness that delighted every one and soon were prominent at all the large fairs, and, just as Baron's Pride stock regularly stand at the top of the lists in Scotland, so Baron's Gem got the lead of their classes in Canada and that in competition equally as strong as any in other show-rings. Added to this, home bred stock, importations of the best that could be bought in Scotland were constantly made so that steady improvement has marked "Craigie Mains." The last importation is discussed in the "Scottish Farmer" of November 23 as follows:

"A valuable shipment of young Clydesdales was made on Saturday last per the Donaldson Line to Messrs. A. & G. Mutch, Lumsden, Sask. In the shipment were four yearling colts, four yearling fillies, six colt foals, and six filly foals. Amongst these were quite a number of exceptionally well bred animals, and not a few prize-winners. In breeding they were noteworthy, being nearly all of Baron's Pride (9122) strains. Two were by the champion sire himself three were by his son, the Highland and Agricultural Society champion horse Benedict (10315); an equal number were by Baron Borgue (12436); and two each were by Baron Mitchell (10688), the well-bred horse which produced good stock in Strathearn, Mid-Calder, and other districts in which he had the premium; while the superior breeding horse Baron Hood (11260); the great prize horse Pride of Blacon (10837), own brother to the Cawdor Cup champion mare Chester Princess; the noted premium horses Best Man (10695), Blacon Sensation (12487), and that fine thick son of old Macgregor, Ascot (10494), had one representative each. Messrs. Mutch do not put all their eggs into one basket, and so they have also youngsters by the celebrated Haplands Pride (13515), son of the champion Hiawatha, and the Kintyre premium horse in 1906; the good breeding horse Prince of Galloway (8919); and the well-bred, thick horse Mac of Newfield (12667). Amongst the prize-winners in the shipment are the first, third, and fourth prize colt foals at Rothesay, the first and the third prize colt foals and the third prize filly foal at Dumfries (her dam was a mare by the great Goldfinder (6807)), the second and third prize filly foals at Kirkcudbright, bred respectively at Lochfergus and Culnaightry. The Lochfergus filly is out of a Baron's Pride mare. The Baron's Pride get is a yearling filly, bred by Mr. Wm. McConnell, and first at Castle-Douglas this year. She is a big, good animal, likely to make a first-class brood mare. Her dam was got by the unbeaten Prince of Carriachan (8151). A yearling colt by Baron's Pride was bred at Barcheskie, and is a very good one, likely to grow into a prize stallion. He was first at Kirkcudbright in 1906 as a foal, and his dam, Duchess, has won numerous prizes at Kirkcudbright and Dumfries shows. He is to take the place of the North-West champion Baron's Gem

which died a few months ago, to the regret of all lovers of the Clydesdale in the North-West of Canada. This is a superior shipment, and though the season is well advanced, it is to be hoped they may have a good voyage both by sea and land."

Words but feebly describe stock of such superb excellence as that at "Craigie Mains" but on another page the camera has helped give an idea of the type, quality and style of the horses handled. "Maude of Grange" is a two-year-old filly by the great sire Baronson. At Regina last spring when first shown she stood second between two fillies bred at "Craigie Mains" and at the summer show held the same position, the home bred Baron's Sunbeam being again first.

The other filly in the illustration, Eva's Gem, since last July has acquired world wide reputation. She is one of those products of Baron's Gem and a Lord Channing mare and won the highest possible honors at Winnipeg exhibition against the best females, and a lot of them, ever brought to Canada. As a Clydesdale filly she is considered a model.

At the top of the page is a cut of Baron's Craigie, another Baron's Gem, a yearling colt that stepped into the show ring as a sucker and has never taken lower than first at Winnipeg, Regina, Calgary and New Westminster. His dam is Montrave Geisha, who stands at the head of the class of mares in the illustration below him. Rarely does a mare prove such a success as a breeder and in the show ring.

Stepend the stock horse illustrated at the bottom of the page is a three-year-old by the great sire Everlasting and like the great horse he succeeds was selected on his merits though not previously prominent in show rings.

This year, at Winnipeg, he stood second to the last year champion, Lord Ardwell, and at Regina it required a referee to break the tie between them.

To enumerate the victories only of the "Craigie Mains" stock that have been shown would require pages. We have passed over Baron's Lassie, seen this year at Calgary, Winnipeg and Regina; Baroness of Hillcrest, winner of third at Regina in the spring and summer; British Baroness who with Montrave Geisha won the heavy draft team prize at Winnipeg; Black Ivory, winner of third as a three-year-old at Winnipeg, and so we might go on enumerating scores of other prizes won in recent years, but space is limited.

At present Messrs. Mutch can show at Craigie Mains a selection of twenty-five stallions and forty mares from which to choose.

Intending buyers will be driven free from Pense, (main line C. P. R.) by Ed. Caults, and from Lumsden, C. N. R. by James Kinnon.

Their offering should be one of the first considered by any one who wants horses at prices that are within easy range. Prices have always been most liberal, in fact low, and the present offering, quality and price considered, is the cheapest Craigie Mains has yet made.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

QUANTITY OF STONE FOR A HOUSE.

How much stone will be required for a house 30 feet by 20 feet and 8 feet high? Also how many loads of sand would be needed to build the same.

Alta.

G. S. Y.

Ans.—The particulars given are too meagre to base an accurate estimate on. You do not give the thickness of these proposed walls. We are assuming they are a foot and a half thick. If so you will require between eight and nine cords of stone and about thirteen yards of sand. If built one foot thick you will need five and a half cords of stone and nine yards of sand.