

## STOCK GOSSIP.

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R. Y. Manning, Manager of Grange Supply Co., writes:—"We send you another of our catalogues, which are in great demand. There is not a mail that comes to hand but that there are such statements as, 'seen your ad. in FARMER'S ADVOCATE.'"

Among the foremost Clydesdale breeders in the county of Halton is Mr. D. McPherson, of Merton. Mr. McPherson has at present on hand a choice pair of stud colts, one rising three years, by Mount Annan (imp.), out of the registered mare Nellie, by Boydston Boy; the other, rising two years, is out of the same mare and by Lord Harry, a colt of imp. Lord Harry. This is a low-down, thick coat of very draughty appearance.

We understand that Messrs. Graham Bros. have sold to Mr. John Reidel, of Linwood, Waterloo Co., the Clydesdale stallion Craigisla. This is a big well-colored horse, got by Prince George, a son of the famous old Prince of Wales, and out of a mare by Young Lofly. Craigisla should prove a very valuable sire, as he is a horse of grand breeding, and Mr. Reidel deserves every support from the farmers in his neighborhood in his efforts to improve the class of draught horses in that section of country.

Mr. Wm. Stewart, Jr., Menie, Ont., writes us to the following effect:—"On looking over the stock columns of your valuable paper for April I notice an article from the pen of Mr. Alex. Hume, Burnbrae, stating that they captured the prize for herd of dairy cows wherever exhibited. Now, Mr. Editor, as this is the second time this has been put before the public, I will endeavor to show how incorrect it is. At the North Hastings Agricultural Society all breeds competed together for the herd prize. The herd from the Menie yards has won this prize for three years in succession. Mr. Hume competing for the same. That we took these prizes we are prepared to prove by the donors of the prize."

Messrs. J. C. Snell & Bro., Edmonton, Ont., report the demand for Cotswolds as being remarkably good. They have sold since August last 118 head of pure-breds, and have purchased nearly all the good grade Cotswold lambs in their county for persons in the United States. While they have shipped sheep to most of the States, they find the best market in Ohio and Indiana. Their flock has wintered well. Up to the present writing they have not lost a single one since going into winter quarters, and they have had over 100 head on the farm all winter. Four of their yearling lambs (of last year) rams, weighed on March 31st, turned the scales at 293, 269, 265 and 259 lbs. respectively. Their crop of young lambs have come strong and good.

E. D. George, Putnam, Ont., reports a brisk demand for Chester Whites by wide-awake farmers requiring profitable feeders, combined with size, quiet disposition and general good appearance. Note following sales:—W. L. Lepard, Sharon, 1 boar; Geo. Taylor, Beeton, 1 boar; J. Boyd, Fairmount, 1 boar and 2 sows; J. Lawrence, Stukley, P. Q., 1 boar; J. Woodruff, St. Catharines, 1 sow; L. H. Cote, Rimouski, P. Q., 1 pair; Messrs. National Stock Co., Montreal, 1 boar; T. Agnew, St. Marys, 1 pair; D. McDonald, Pine River, 1 boar; S. P. Knight, Bedford, P. Q., 1 boar; A. E. Curtis, Stanstead, P. Q., 1 pair; J. Oughton, Crystal City, Man., 1 pair; R. Collis, Shoal Lake, Man., 1 pair; J. Mulken, Havelock, N. S., 1 pair; J. Nediger, Allen Park, 2 boars; J. Stratford, Bradford, 1 boar; J. Snell, Jamestown, 1 pair; P. Gaviller, Beeton, 1 boar; C. Birch, Canning, 1 boar; J. Nell, Lucan, 1 boar; J. McBair, Chesley, 1 sow; J. E. Barkwell, Lucknow, 1 boar; R. Furness, Vernon River, P. E. I., 1 boar; C. McGuire, Salmon Arm, B. C., 1 pair; S. B. Scott, Marden, 1 boar.

Bollert Bros. write under date of April 14th:—"Last week our senior (H. Bollert) visited the famous herds of T. G. Yeomans & Sons, Walworth, and R. S. Stevens, of Attica, N. Y., and from the latter selected a young bull to place at the head of our herd. After a thorough inspection, he finally settled on Colanthes Abbekerk, a very superior individual, and of unequalled breeding. His nearest female ancestors are such cows as Alberta Abbekerk, winner of 1st prize at Detroit Exposition, and 2nd at Buffalo International, for best butter cow; Colanthes, the famous milk, butter and show cow; Mechtchilde, the Queen of all the Holsteins, with 39 lbs. 10½ oz. of butter in seven days to her credit. His sire is the invincible Colanthes Sir Henry, who swept everything before him at all the greatest American Fairs in 1890, he by Sir Henry of Maplewood, the sire of world beaters. We shall at some future time give the breeding of this young bull in full. While H. was purchasing, W. F. was selling, and during the week sold seven head of the very finest breeding. J. E. Barkwell, Lucknow, took the bull Sir Westwood, our stock bull during the last two years; to James Hunter, Lucknow, the bull Duke of Blenheim, and the Barrington cow Esfa 3rd, and her heifer calf. These will make a foundation for a fine herd. Thos. Patton, Paris Station, two very superior heifers, which we imported last summer, and to C. C. Fry, Bright, the bull Bonnie Queen's Westwood, a bull of unusual quality. Numerous as our sales are, not all the good ones have been taken, and we have several very choice ones on hand yet. It might interest some of your esteemed readers to hear that in those famous herds I visited, I found only one cow which exceeded our present milking cows several pounds daily, with much better care and by feed than ours are having. We expect great results from the cross with the selected bull."



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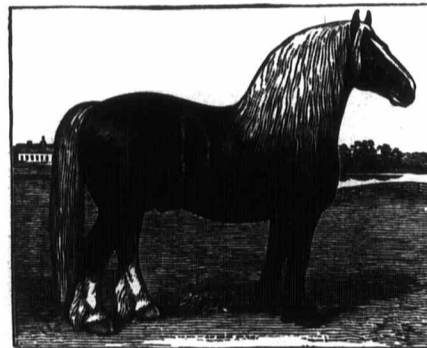
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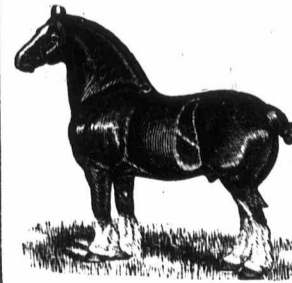
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