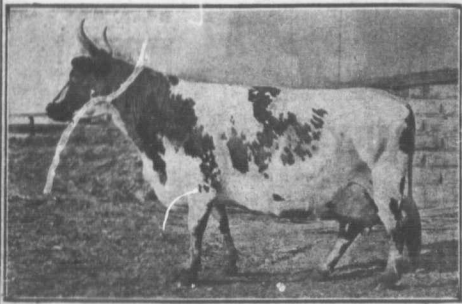


**CHOICE AYRSHIRES**



**LASSIE 3rd**

Slater to SCOTCH THISTLE, 1497 lbs. milk and 631 lbs. fat in 1 year. Champion 3-year-old. This cow will be sold in the

**Southern Counties Ayrshire Breeders' Club Sale at Woodstock, December 19th, 1917**

Included in my assignment will also be her 1-year-old daughter and her son born in August, 1916. Here are a few cows we have sold at former sales.

Breath Thistle	3-year-old record	14,907 lbs. milk, 631 fat	Test.
Scott's Snowball	3-year-old	11,048 "	4.53%
Milkmaid of Mt. Elgin	3-year-old	9,267 "	4.25%
Amelia 4th	3-year-old	7,147 "	4.25%
Lady May 2nd	3-year-old	6,346 "	4.64%
Amelia 2nd	3-year-old	10,232 "	4.15%

F. Bull GREAT SCOT, and three of his daughters are in the present sale. This offering affords a rare opportunity for breeders to secure the very best Ayrshire blood. Have also a few young bulls for private sale.

**John A. McEwan**      **Mt. Elgin, Ont.**

**Elgin County**

Pure Bred **HOLSTEIN** Breeders

2nd Annual Consignment Sale



Registered Holstein Friesian Cattle

**55 HEAD 55**

**Tuesday, December 18th, 1917**

at **Durdle's Feed Barn, St. Thomas, Ont.**

This is a rare opportunity for Holstein breeders or new beginners to secure some of the best blood of the breed. The stock are from, or bred to, such bulls as the following—

**KING REGIS DEKOL**, CALAMITY, whose dam as a junior 3-year-old made 95.83 lbs. butter, 523.1 lbs. milk in 7 days.

**SARCASTIC WAYNE DEKOL**, whose two nearest dams average 25.59 lbs. butter in 7 days.

**PAYNE REGIS NORMAN**, whose two nearest dams average 27.90 lbs. butter in 7 days.

**PINDERNE KING MAY PAYNE** a 94-lb. bull.

**ROYALTON DEKOL**, CALAMITY, who is closely related to the \$93,400 bull and Pontiac Korndyke. His dam gave 111.1 lb. milk in 1 day.

**OLIMBY HARTOG**, whose two nearest dams average 28.08 lbs. butter in 7 days.

**SIR COLANTHA WAYNE**, sire of six E. O. M. daughters.

**KING REGIS PIETERTIE**, a 95.51-lb. bull.

**PALADIN ORMSBY** has 19 E. O. M. daughters.

Many of the females will be fresh or springers with records or from record sires.

CATALOGUES NOW READY.

L. H. Lisset, Manager, Stratfordville, Ont.      Lock & McLaughlin, (Auctioneers), St. Thomas, Ont.      E. C. Gilbert, (Secretary), R. R. No. 7, St. Thomas, Ont.

**MARKET REVIEW AND FORECAST**

**TORONTO, Dec. 10.**—A preliminary estimate of the total value of field crops for the two years 1917 has been issued by the Census and Statistics Office. According to this estimate the value of all field crops for the current year is \$1,089,487,000, as compared with \$88,494,900 in 1915. This is the first time that the value of field crops of Canada has reached one billion dollars. This large figure, however, is due in great measure to the high prices now ruling.

The marketing of field products throughout the country has not yet got well under way. A large amount of the grain is being fed on the farm. Record prices for oats are being quoted on the Toronto market, but supplies are scant. As high as \$2 a bushel has been paid for oats on farms throughout Ontario. Hay continues in good demand at from \$12 to \$14 a ton country points.

**WHEAT.**

Western wheat is practically the only factor on the large wheat markets. Farmers throughout Ontario have not yet begun to market their wheat in quantity. It is likely that the Board of Grain Supervisors will increase the tax from two and a half to six cents in the near future. It has been found that the present tax is not sufficient to meet costs. Buyers are therefore eager to ship their wheat through before the new tax goes into force. Quotations, Manitoba wheat, in store, Port William, 92c (including 1/4 tax); No. 1 northern, \$2.23 1/2; No. 2, \$2.15; No. 3, \$2.05; northern, \$2.17 1/2; No. 4 wheat, \$2.10 1/4.

**COARSE GRAINS.**

Manitoba oats have been breaking records frequently within the last few weeks in prices paid on the Toronto market. Price No. 1 feed has been quoted as high as 91c delivered, but such prices are not meeting with much demand. Ontario oats have not yet come to market in any considerable quantities, and prices are steady at about 75c for car lots. The good yielding in many parts of the country will likely make for larger quantities of oats. Barley is marketed of more freely. Quotations—Manitoba, Ontario extra No. 1 feed, 78c; No. 1 feed, 74 1/2c, in store, Port William. American corn—No. 3 yellow, Canadian, Ontario, New era, 82c; No. 2, \$2.22, basis in store Montreal. Ontario—No. 2 white, 76c to 77c, nominal; No. 3, 75c to 76c. Barley—Making new \$1.29 to \$1.31, according to freight. Peas \$1.29 to \$1.30, according to freight. Buckwheat—\$1.45 to \$1.59. Hye—No. 3, \$1.75.

Montreal. Quotations—Corn—Ontario No. 2 yellow, \$2.18 to \$2.20. Oats—Canadian western No. 3, 89c; extra No. 1 feed, 89 1/2c; No. 2 local white, 85c; No. 3 local white, 82c. Bran, 32c to 33c. Shorts, \$42 to 42. Middlings, \$48 to 50c. Moulins, \$55 to 55c. Hay—No. 2, per ton, carlots, \$15.50.

**MILL FEEDS.**

The market for mill feeds has been showing additional strength, and bids from American sources for our feeds at high prices have resulted in a slackening of the offerings on our markets, although the prices have not actually advanced as yet. Toronto is quoting car lots delivered Montreal—No. 1 feed, \$43; bran, 43 1/2c; middlings, 34 1/2 to 34 1/2c; food feed, 32 1/2c. Montreal quotations are: Bran, 43c to 43 1/2c; shorts, 42c to 42 1/2c; middlings, 34c to 35c; moulins, 35c to 35c.

**HAY AND STRAW.**

The hay market is holding firm at the high prices which have resulted from the large demand from American buyers. Toronto quotations place No. 1 at \$16 to \$17 with mixed hay, \$15 to \$15 1/2; straw, carlots, is quoted at \$9 to \$9.50. Montreal quotes No. 2 hay per ton, carlots, \$15.50.

**SEEDS.**

Receipts of seed crops have been heavier the past week than heretofore, but the crop generally has been a poor one this year. The total amount of October has resulted in but a 40 per cent. yield. Seed dealers in Ontario are buying United States timothy seed rather than that from the Western Provinces as the United States product is quoted considerably cheaper. Wholesalers are paying the following prices for seed at country points: Alsike, No. 1 fancy, bush, \$12.00 to \$12.50; do No. 1, ordinary, " " 11.25 to 11.75; do No. 2, per bushel, " " 11.50 to 12.00; do No. 3, per bushel, " " 8.00 to 9.00.

do, rejected, per bushel	4.50 to 7.00
Red clover, No. 1, bushel	12.00 to 13.50
do No. 2, per bushel	11.00 to 11.75
do, rejected, per bushel	10.00 to 11.00
do, rejected, per bushel	6.25 to 6.75
Timothy, 70c, per cwt.	7.00 to 8.00
do No. 3, per cwt.	7.75 to 10.00
do No. 2, 3rd cwt.	6.75 to 8.00
do, rejected, per cwt.	5.75 to 7.75
Flax, bushel	3.15 to 3.00

**POTATOES AND BEANS.**

Potatoes show no change in price on the market. They are coming forward but slowly as yet, and Toronto is quoting from \$12 to \$13 1/2 a bag. The movement of Canadian beans is still limited, dealers not caring to pay the prices asked for them. Cannera are reported to be taking Canadian beans at from \$2 to \$2.50 a bushel, although wholesalers quote but \$7.50 to \$5. Japanese beans of fine quality are selling at \$9, and foreign, hand-picked, are bringing \$6.75 to \$7 a bushel.

**EGGS AND POULTRY.**

Large quantities of Canadian eggs are held in storage throughout Canada. These were intended for export, but owing to the scarcity of tonnage, exporters could not secure ocean space. Receipts of freshly gathered eggs have fallen off rapidly in all parts of the country, and specials are selling at just about the same price as 30c to 35c a doz. Retail prices have gone as high as 85c in Toronto and Montreal and 90c in Vancouver for special grades. Eggs at country points, where they can be secured at all, are being bought at 40c to 47c, classes returnable. No storage eggs are quoted 42c to 43c; selected, storage, 45c to 47c, and new laid, 47c to 50c. Live weight, dressed. Chickens, spring, 17c to 19c 3/4c to 25c; Hens, under 4 lbs, 12c to 15c to 16c; Hens, over 4 lbs, 16c to 17c 3/4c to 22c; Roosters, " " 16c to 17c to 20c; Ducks, " " 15c to 16c 3/4c to 20c; Turkeys, " " 20c to 25c 3/4c to 30c; Geese, " " 17c to 18c 3/4c to 20c.

**DAIRY PRODUCE.**

A weaker feeling has been prevailing in the Montreal and Toronto markets for butter. Oleomargarine will be sold in the cities on Dec. 11th, and it is believed that it will be offered in Toronto sale jobbing way at from 56c to 58c a pound, depending on quality. The fact that the United States Government has placed an embargo on cottonseed oil may have some effect on the market for oleomargarine in this country. Toronto is quoting for butter, however, at country points, 41 to 42c for creamery, solid; creamery, pipe, 42c to 43c; with dairy butter at 39c to 40c.

**LIVE STOCK.**

Perhaps it was the fact that packers having commenced to stock up for the Christmas trade, prices were ready to strengthen on the live stock market last week, and overruling sold weak, though more cattle were on the market than on the previous week. The respective figures were 3,378 and 8,399. The run on hogs was light with prices uncertain. The week opened with a sensational decline in the market, and at the close prices had dropped fully one dollar, \$16.75 to \$15.75.

Choice export steers	..... \$11.50 to \$13.00
Butcher's, choice handy	10.50 to 11.25
do good	9.75 to 10.25
do medium	8.75 to 9.00
do common	8.00 to 8.50
Butcher's bulls, choice	6.00 to 7.25
do good	7.50 to 8.25
do medium	7.00 to 7.50
Butcher's cows, choice	9.00 to 9.25
do good	8.25 to 8.75
do medium	7.50 to 8.00
Feeders	8.00 to 8.25
Stockers, good	7.25 to 8.00
do medium	6.25 to 6.50
Canners	8.00 to 8.50
Milkers, good to choice	10.00 to 12.00
do cows and heifers	8.00 to 10.00
Calves, veal, choice	15.00 to 15.00
do medium	12.00 to 12.50
do common	6.00 to 7.00
do heavy fat	8.00 to 10.75
Spring lambs, good	11.00 to 11.00
Sheep, ewes, light	8.50 to 14.00
do heavy and bucks	7.50 to 9.00
do to com and medium	6.00 to 6.50
Hogs, fed and watered	17.75 to 18.00
do off cars	16.00 to 16.25
do L. O. B.	16.75 to 17.00
Less 21c to 23c on hives or on tags; less 2c to \$2.50 on extra \$4 on stags; less \$2 to \$1 on liveair.	

**WHO WANTS THIS YOUNG BULL ?**

Sire—King Segis Walker; Dam—Pietje Pauline Hengerveld, record at 3 yrs., \$1.7 lbs. butter; record at 5 yrs., \$2.7 lbs. butter; milk testing 4.7% fat. U.S. FAREWELL I OSHAWA.