

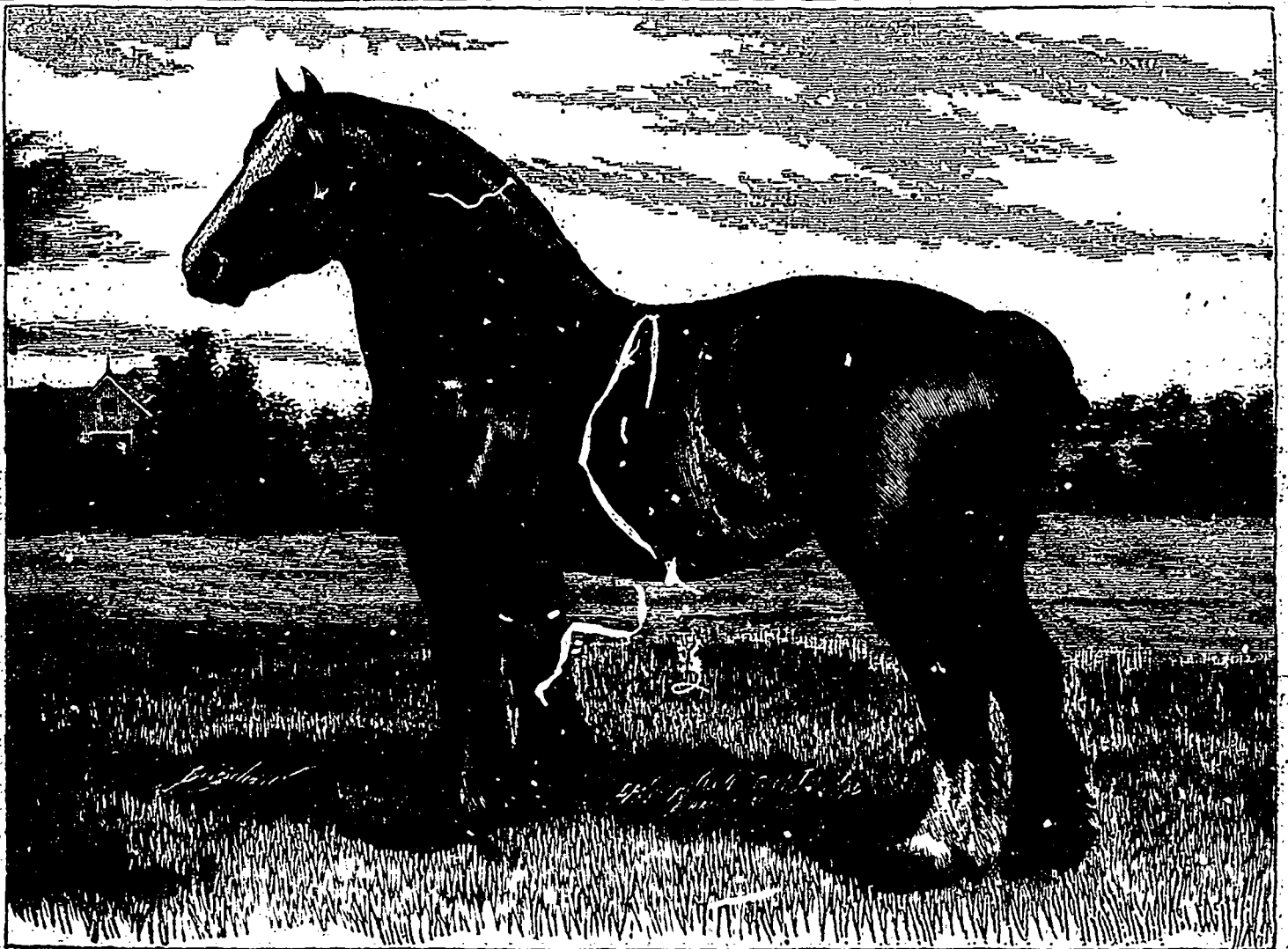
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THE CLYDESDALE MARE QUEEN.

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Queen.

True to our promise made to our readers in the February issue of the JOURNAL, p. 33, we present them with a sketch by our own artist of this, perhaps the most perfect Clydesdale female in America. She was bred by Mr. Taylor, of Belisle, Scotland, and sired by Darnley (222). The Prince Charlie (634) is sire of her dam. She is now five years old. We cannot do better than repeat what we said in reference to Queen in the number already referred to, which reads: "She has a nice, clean-cut head and bright eye, and is very perfect in body and limb; short in the back, but not too short; capital in the breast, and though strong, a stylish mover." She has been a great prize-winner in Scotland, and the highest tribute that can possibly be paid to her, is to say she is the mare which, as a two-year-old, beat *Miss Rose*, the 1,000 guinea mare, at the Inverness Highland and Agricultural Society's Show, 1883.

But Queen is by no means the only good Clyde brood mare of the Woodlands stud. She is only one of fifteen over two years old, of which we believe we are correct in saying all are imported, and are not only highly bred as shown in our February issue, but

are almost without exception very good individually. In size they are only of the medium type, and are all free from that grossness of limb which is so often linked with tendency to disease.

During this year of mortality amongst draught foals, the Messrs. Sorby have not lost one pure-bred, which we believe is largely due to their method of exercising them, in the field in the summer time on pasture, and in large paddocks in the winter, putting several of them together, which conduces to their exercising more freely. Some of them they work on the farm and would do more of this, but owing to the number they have, they cannot exercise them all in this way. Although several of the mares are too young to breed before next year, four have produced fine healthy, vigorous foals, all by Woodlands sires.

The foals of 1886—all entire—are from the dams, Corstock Daisy, by Corsewall (1420); Lorna Doone, by the great MacGregor (1487); Princess, by Prince of Renfrew (664), and Fair Helen, by Sir Michael (1530). The first, a neat solid chunk of a colt, is by Duke of Kelso (2075); and the three others by Farmer Lyon (3340); both of the Woodlands stud, and two mares are soon due to foal. The major portion of the

mares were too young to breed this year. The two-year filly foal of Lady Jane, by Lord Lyon (489), promises to make an A1. brood mare, as also the one year of the Bright-Eyed Kate Hill, which is sired by Farmer Lyon (3340).

The Woodlands stud deserves to succeed. No pains or expense have been made in its selection, which was done in person by the junior member of the firm. They are watched with the most vigilant care, and are at all times presentable, in fact a stud which the owners may well take pride in showing. Buildings have been put up for them almost cyclopean in their dimensions—perhaps the most perfect of their kind in Canada—and last but not least, the owners are of that stamp of men (they will please pardon us for taking the liberty of saying it without permission); who would scorn to take an advantage of a buyer, or to hide a defect in an animal offered for sale.

It affords us real pleasure to remind our readers of the rock-like stability which every one of them has aided in giving the JOURNAL. Never before has so extensive an advertising patronage appeared in a farm journal in Canada. The sky of the future brightens, but the work ahead towers high.