

GOSSIP.

The announcement of the Excelsior Life Insurance Co., of Toronto, is made in this issue. See their especial advantages.

A very desirable stock and grain farm with good buildings, in Michigan, is advertised for sale in this paper. Post office, telephone office, church, school and rural-mail delivery, are some of the modern conveniences which add to its attractiveness. See the announcement.

Mr. H. W. Truman, of the Pioneer Stud Farm, Bushnell, Illinois, has arrived at their London, Ont., branch stables with the third consignment of Shire, Percheron and Hackney stallions, some of them International and World's Fair winners. They are stabled at the Reid Hotel, and Mr. Truman may be found or addressed at the City Hotel, London, and will be glad to show the stock to lovers of horses and prospective buyers.

Mr. J. E. Brethour, Burford, Ontario, noted importer and breeder of Large Yorkshire swine, has issued a very handsome, interesting descriptive catalogue of his herd, citing its show-yard record and the claims of the breed to the favor of farmers and feeders as a prolific and profitable class. Mr. Brethour, we understand, will make an extensive exhibit of his hogs at the World's Fair, at St. Louis, and it goes without saying he will make such a presentation of the breed as will be a good advertisement for himself and Canada.

Canadian stock breeders who were exhibitors at the Pan-American and the Louisiana Purchase Expositions are unanimous in testifying to the ability, energy, courtesy and self-sacrificing fidelity to the duties of his position shown by the Canadian Live-stock Commissioner to these exhibitions, Mr. E. B. Elderkin, of Amherst, Nova Scotia, whose portrait we have the pleasure of presenting on another page in this issue. Mr. Elderkin's relations with Col. Mills, Chief of the Live-stock Department at St. Louis, and the other officers of the fair have been of the most agreeable nature, and his unselfish attention to the interests of Canadian exhibitors and visitors has added greatly to their pleasure and comfort, and aided them in the transaction of business.

Close to the town of Alvinston, on the G. T. R. and M. C. R. roads, is Alvinston Stock Farm, the property of Mr. G. H. Oke, well known as one of the leading breeders of high-class Shorthorns in Western Ontario. His herd now numbers 21 head of imported and Canadian-bred animals, at the head of which is the grand prizewinning bull, Invincible -43214-, illustrated in the "Farmer's Advocate" of Sept. 22nd, by Sir Tattan 28797, a Cruickshank Cecelia, dam Sunnyside Mina, a Kinellar Mina, by Cashier -4403-. Invincible is now three years old, weighs a ton, and in build, character, style and finish is well-nigh perfect. As a calf, in a class of 19, he won third prize at Toronto; as a one-year-old, in a class of nine, he won fourth place, and this year, as a two-year-old, he won second, in an exceedingly strong and large entry, and without any special fitting, being only in ordinary working condition. This show record was all won at Toronto. The females of the herd are an exceptionally nice, even, thick-fleshed lot, some of them weighing 1,600 lbs. and upwards. Several of them belong to the well-known Isabella tribe, others to the fashionable Ythan tribe; among the latter two being imported, one of which is the dam of an extra good type of young bull, a red-roan, six months old, sired by the Watt Bros' \$1,200 bull, Imp. Scottish Beau. This bull, besides being bred on aristocratic lines, is likely to make a prizewinner, and the man that gets him will have something to be proud of. There are also four other young bulls from six to twelve months old, rare good ones, a credit to their excellent sire, the stock bull, and out of cows that are enormous milkers. One of these, Roan Boy -53326-, dam Isabella 9th, by Imp. Royal Sailor, is a very thick, even, straight-lined youngster and, if present indications count, will be heard from in the ring another year. All these young bulls are for sale, together with several heifers that are a credit to the herd. Write Mr. Oke to Alvinston P. O., Ont., for prices and particulars.

UNRESERVED AUCTION SALE

OF CLYDESDALES AND SHORTHORNS On WEDNESDAY, NOV. 16, 1904

At his farm, 7 miles north of Oshawa station on the G. T. R., and 4 miles south-east of Myrtle station on the G. T. R. and C. P. R.,

MR. JOHN BRIGHT

Will dispose of, by auction, 12 Clydesdale Fillies, imported and Canadian-bred, all registered, also 35 Head of Shorthorns: Miss Ramsden, Marr Stamfords, Duchess of Gloucesters, Simms, English Beautys, Rose, Lavinia, Favorites, Rachels and Lady Days. Also the stock bull, Darnley (26280), and about 25 head of two-year-old grade steers.

There will also be sold all the Farm Implements, the bulk of which are nearly new.

At the same time will be offered the splendid 200-ACRE FARM One of the best in the County of Ontario, all in first-class order, with modern buildings.

Sale will commence sharp at 12 noon. Conveyances will meet all morning trains at Myrtle, G. T. R. and C. P. R.

Half-fare Rates on Railways have been Arranged for.

G. JACKSON AUCTIONEERS L. FAIRBANKS

Large Auction Sale

On the premises, four miles north-west of DUTTON, ONT., Elgin Co.,

Tuesday, October 18th, 1904

the entire herd of

48 SHORTHORNS

5 Clydesdale Horses, 9 Clydesdale Mares, a pair of Black Hackneys and several grade colts, 30 Reg'd Yorkshire Hogs, 30 Reg'd Berkshire Hogs, 35 Reg'd Oxford Down Sheep, 50 Head Grade Cattle, 100 Head Grade Hogs.

The entire lot will be sold without reserve, as the proprietor is going West. Catalogues on application to

DAVID BENNETT, DUTTON, ONT. Auctioneers: Thos. Ingram, Guelph; Daniel Black, Dutton.

DISPERSION SALE

OF IMPORTED AND HOME-BRED SHORTHORN CATTLE

35 HEAD

The property of the Estate of the late T. E. Perkins, Petrolia, Ont., at FAIRLIE STOCK FARM, 4 miles west of the town of Petrolia,

ON WEDNESDAY, OCT. 26th, 1904

The imp. cattle are of the best families obtainable and are a good lot, while the home-breds are all of standard families, topped with the best Scotch bulls. They are a grand, heavy-fleshed lot of cattle. 17 of the lot are sired by the noted imp. Heatherwick bull, Prince Fragrance. He, too, is included in the lot. Every animal must be sold, as the executors are winding up the estate.

TERMS—Six months' credit on approved paper; 6% per annum discount for cash. Teams will meet the morning trains (both stations), and carry intending purchasers to the farm and return for evening trains. Lunch at noon. Sale promptly at 1 p.m. Catalogues on application.

CAPT. T. E. ROBSON, Auctioneer.

All communications to be addressed to

A. M. McQUEEN, Manager of Estate, Petrolia, Ont.

GREAT DISPERSION SALE

OF HIGH-CLASS REGISTERED Shorthorn Cattle

at MAPLE WOOD FARM, CAIRO P. O., BOTHWELL STATION, on Thursday, October 20th, 1904,

Consisting of a herd of 33 head pure-bred Shorthorn cattle, including 1 imported bull, 6 Canadian bulls from imported bull, and the balance females, cows and heifers. At the same time and place a number of well-bred grade cattle will be offered for sale. There will be no reserve, as the proprietor is giving up business. Terms: Nine months' credit given on approved security, and 5% per annum off for cash.

Sale to commence at 12 o'clock. Lunch at noon. Catalogues mailed on application.

Morning trains met at Bothwell at G. T. R., and N. Bothwell, C. P. R. ROBERT MOORHOUSE, CAIRO P. O., PROP. CAPT. T. E. ROBSON, G. E. BROWN, Auctioneers.

THE FARMERS' & BALERS' HAY PRESS At a special Low Price.



Write us for particulars. CANADIAN HORSE STOCK CO., 489 Bay North, Hamilton, Ont.

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On account of the general elections on Nov. 3rd, Mr. John Bright's sale will be postponed until Nov. 16th.

Beatty Bros., of Fergus, Ont., have bought out the long-established business of J. W. Provan, of Oshawa.

The American Leicester Sheep Breeders' Association advertises its pedigree records in this paper regularly. The Secretary and Editor is A. J. Temple, Cameron, Illinois.

The American Shropshire Sheep Breeders' Association and records are advertised continuously in the "Farmer's Advocate." The address of the Secretary and Editor, Mr. Mortimer Levering, is Lafayette, Indiana.

The attention of readers is directed to the advertisements of Bovril, which appear in these columns. This world-famous tonic is noted for its rich flavor and strength. It is a delightful drink, apart altogether from its health-giving qualities.

Our readers who contemplate buying a sewing machine, should not neglect to read the advertisement of the Raymond Sewing Machine Co., of Guelph, in this paper. Their machines are known throughout all Canada for their many superior qualities, and the company will be pleased to send information regarding them to anyone who writes to the head office, or to any of their numerous agencies.

Shorthorn breeders the world over will be interested to know that Uppermill, Aberdeenshire, the historical holding so long occupied by the Marr family, and rendered vacant by the death of Mr. W. S. Marr, has been leased by Mr. John Marr, of Cairnbrogie, a cousin of the late Mr. Marr, and will doubtless continue to be the home of a high-class herd of Shorthorns.

The St. Louis Exposition Hereford sale, Sept. 21, resulted in disposing of 27 lots at an average of \$285 for bulls, \$207 for cows. Best price, \$730, for bull, Perfection 2nd 102632, owned by John Sparks, Reno, Nev., and bought by the Redwood Cattle Company, of California.

The Holstein sale disposed of 13 bulls at an average of \$115, and 19 cows at an average of \$186. Highest price, \$600, paid by the University of Illinois for Sarcastic Lad, the World's Fair champion.

SHORTHORN SALE AT BEETON.

The catalogues are now ready for the sale of Scotch and Scotch-topped Shorthorns, the property of Mr. Ed. Martin, of Beeton, Ont. The herd consists of nineteen head—fifteen females and four bulls. Exceptionally good terms are offered, and the firm is easy of access from Beeton Station, on the Hamilton-Meaford branch of the G. T. R. In the country surrounding Beeton, there is ample room for the development of phenomenal herds, flocks and studs, and the sale of Shorthorns on the 21st affords an excellent opportunity to lay a foundation in pure blood.

TRADE TOPIC.

POWER SPRAYING.—The outfit used in the Ingersoll, Ont., apple orchard spraying demonstration, conducted by the Dominion Department of Agriculture, as described at length in the last issue of the "Farmer's Advocate," was a gasoline 1903 power Spramotor from the Spramotor Co., London, Ont. For the coming season they will have a still later model, "1904," to be used in the great campaign against insect pests and fungous diseases.

Settlers' Low Rates West.

Via the Chicago and North Western Ry. every day from Sept. 15th to Oct. 15th, settlers' one-way, second-class tickets at very low rates, from Chicago to points in Utah, Montana, Nevada, Idaho, Oregon, Washington, California, also to Victoria, Vancouver, New Westminster, Rossland, and other points in the Kootenay district. Correspondingly low rates from all points in Canada. Full particulars from nearest ticket agent, or B. H. Bennett, General Agent, 2 King St., East, Toronto, Ont.

Remembering any advertisement on this page, kindly mention the FARMER'S ADVOCATE.