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STOCK GOSSIP.

This number contains an advertisement from Mr. John Fennelle, Berlin, offering some choicely bred cows, heifers and bulls, all registered in the A. J. C, C.

Geö. McKerrow, in Breeder's Gazette of June 12th, gives an account of sheep being wintered on ensilage morning and night, and straw at noon: they gained fiesh. Ensilage, at \$2 per ton, would make the cost for 180 days' feed \$1.44.

Nine fresh outbreaks of swine fever-were reported in Ireland for the week ending 16th inst.— three in the union of Gorey and one in each of the following unions:— Newcastle. Klimacthomas, Waterford, South Dublin, Mountmellick, and Wexford.

On June 21st, Messrs. Smith Bros., Churchville, Ont., brought from Quarantine six Holstein-Frie-sian heifers. They were Baroness Clothilde, Neth-erland Statesman's Benola, Netherland Heroine. Aggie Idaline 6th, Princess, Modest Girl 3rd, and Aggie Gem 2nd. Churchville,

Aggie Gem 2nd. Mr. Wm. H. Borrowman, son of Mr. Wm. Borrow-man, Middleville, Lanark, Co., one of the first sub-scribers to the ADVOCATE, called on us a few days ago and showed us samples of oats five and one-half feet high, and rye seven feet high. This is one of the localities that suffered so severely from the drought last season. Mr. B. reports crops of all kinds extra good in that locality.

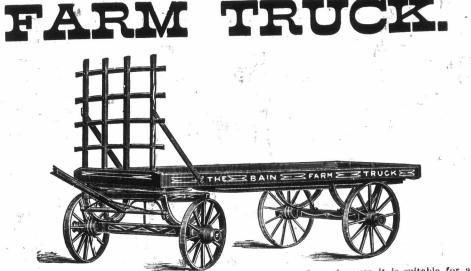
kinds extra good in that locality. John Jackson & Sons, Abingdon, report as fob-lows:-Our flock of Southdowns have done remark-ably well this year, have a splendid crop of lambs, and the clip of wool was very good, some as high as Ii lbs.; the demand has been better so far than I ever knew it to be heretofore. We are making another importation this season, which will arrive in a few days, including first prize winners at the "Royal." The sheep business, generally, is looking up. up.

up. Just as we go to press, Mr. Robert Marsh, Rich-mond Hill, writes us to the effect that his old established flock of Southdowns are still in exist-ence, and were never in better shape. He reports this year's crop of lambs beats all previous records —one flock of twenty-two ewes producing thirty-nine lambs, and not a single ewe on the place failed to raise one or more lambs. The sales have been quite satisfatory, and Southdowns are being ap-preciated. preciated.

preciated. J. G. Snell & Bro., Edmonton, Ont., writing July 17, say: -We have just received a letter from Mr. Main, in which he says he has purchased for us in Fingland twenty-six head of Cotswolds and fifteen head of Berkshires. Among the Cotswolds are first prize pen of five shearling ewes, and the first prize ram lamb at the Royal Show, besides winner at other shows. In the lot of Berkshires is the sow that won first prize and champion prize for the best Berkshire sow at the Royal Show.

the best Berkshire sow at the Royal Show. The Statistical Abstract and Record of Canada for the year 1888, published by the Department of Agri-culture, is to hand. This is a pamphlet of over five hundred pages, and contains the leading tables of the previous issues, and a number of new ones. This work is replete with information of interest to every Canadian, to give even a synopsis of which would take more space than can be afforded. It may be had for asking from the Department of Agriculture, Ottawa. The Dominion Central Experimental Station

Agriculture, Ottawa. The Dominion Central Experimental Station have recently made the following purchases:-Sherthorns-Three females from James Graham, Scugog: three females from Jno. Miller & Son, Brougham: two young bulls and four females from Richard Gibson, Delaware. Jerseys-Six females and one bull from McLean Howard, Toronto. Ayr-shires-Six females from James Drummond, Petit Cote, Que.; a heifer and bull from Mr. David Nichol, Cataraqui, Ont. Holsteins-Three heifers from Smith Bros., Churchville. Polled Angus-Five heifers and one bull from the estate of the late Hon, Mr. Pope. Wm. Davies & Co. write :-We are pleased to re-



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late Hon. Mr. Pope. Wm. Davies & Co. write :- We are pleased to re-port that nearly every mail brings letters from farmers and others, expressing their interest in the subject of "Hog Raising and Feeding," and their determination to go into it much more extensively. As an incentive to do so would point out that the demand for live hogs is far in excess of the supply, as any of your readers may see who will look at the report of the Toronto live stock market. They will also see that they are worth 5%c. per pound, at the same time good bucker cattle are only worth 3%c. Surely the contrast between these prices and the fact that it costs more to fatten cattle than hogs, should encourage every farmer to raise at least twice as many. A fitting sequel to the jubilee meeting of the

hogs, should encourage every farmer to raise at least twice as many. A fitting sequel to the jubilee meeting of the Royal Agricultural Society will be the series of high class bedigree stock sales that are announced for the following week. On Tuesday 2nd prox. Mr. John Thornton will sell at the Prince of Wales' farm, near Wolferton station, 64 lots of. Shorthorn cattle and 31 lots of Southdown sheep, when it is expected H. R. H. will be present. The next day Mr. Thornton will sell at Streetly Hall, Linton, Cambridgeshire, the celebrated flock of Southdown sheep the property of Mr. Heury Webb, largely descended from the historic Babraham flock of his father, the late Mr. Jonas Webb, When the Babra-ham flock was dispersed in 1862 the 9.7 head averaged £11 l5s. 9d. and Mr. Henry Webb secured 70 of his father's best old ewes and several rams; from these he has raised a flock, combining purity of blood with hardy constitutions- that any farmer might breed from for profit, and from which fanciers may select show-yard winners.