

STOCK GOSSIP.

As writing to advertisers, please mention the Farmer's Advocate.

R. B. McMullen, Goldsmith, Ont., has a new advertisement in this issue. He breeds Poland-Chinas, and we call our readers' attention to his stock. See his advt.

Messrs. J. & G. Taylor, Rockwood, have made an important change in their advertisement. Their herd of Shorthorns will command the attention of all S. H. breeders. See his advt.

Jas. Elder, Virden, says that his advertisement in the Farmer's Advocate has sold a lot of pigs this year for him—could sell more if he had them. He reports the young boar he bought from S. Coxworth last summer as doing finely, and of the right sort.

M. Maw, North Winnipeg Poultry Yards, has sold his prize-winning Barred Plymouth Rock cock, "Hero." He has a few grand young cockerels, and also some pullets from his best pens, sired by "Hero," for sale now. Write for particulars.

W. G. Pettit, of Freeman, Ont., makes change of advertisement in this issue. Having rented one of his farms for a term of years, he is offering to sell choice stock at very much reduced prices. Mr. Pettit reports fairly good sales for the dull times, and thinks the outlook for next season is quite encouraging.

Roderic McKenzie, High Bluff, reports a good demand during the past few months for his Large Improved Berkshires; his last sales were a young boar to J. A. McGill, Nepeawa, which took first prize at the Nepeawa fall fair. A pair to Wellington Wilson, Treherne, the boar being the one which took first prize at the Winnipeg Industrial last summer. And also a fine young sow to Frank House, Olive, Man. He has still left a choice lot of young boars and sows not akin for sale.

W. A. Reburn, St. Anne de Bellevue, writes:—
"The bulls I am now offering are, without exception, the grandest bred bulls that I have ever raised. I used Jolie's Pogie on some of the young stock, and sold a pair of heifers sired by him for \$550. One of Jolie Boy of St. A. sons is at the head of a large herd in Ohio, U. S. A. Last spring I was offered \$100 and \$125 for some of these bulls, the parties buying others from me, but would rather have had these. I have decided to sacrifice them, as I want room badly. The sire of four of them—Romeo of St. L. (for a great number of years my herd bull), was a double grandson of Stoke Pogie 3rd; he was almost full brother to Mary Anne of St. L., having 963 same blood elements as she had; his grand dams were Jolie of St. Lambert and Hebe of St. Lambert, two of the famous St. L. cows. Gipsy Hugo is a daughter of Hebe of St. Lambert and Juliet of St. A.; dam of the last two is by Romeo of St. Lambert, and out of a daughter of Lady Fawn of St. Anne—16 lbs. 12 oz. of butter at 15 years. Juliet is a great prize-taker, and milks 45 lbs. at flush."

Mr. Arthur Johnston, of Greenwood, Ont., writes to this office:—"We now have all kinds of stock permanently placed in their stalls for winter, and they are already improving with their winter rations of excellent hay and plenty of turnips, together with a very little meal for the younger things. The young bulls are going forward as well as we have ever had them do. They are not only growing and putting on some flesh, but they are putting it on evenly and well. We now have seventeen of them of various ages and colors, from deep red to pure yellow-white, and a finer lot we have never stabled. The heifers are equally good, though scarcely in such fine form; they are, however, now doing exceedingly well. They are a smooth, even lot, and some of them look like making winners anywhere by September next. Indian Chief is as healthy, hearty, active and sure in his ninth year as ever been. He is carrying his flesh as firmly and as evenly as he did when three years old. The enquiry for young bulls has never been better, though sales are slower, because people are harder to sell to. We must take their prices, I suppose, even if we lose money."

Peter Lamarsh & Bro., Wheatley, Ont.:—"The Duroc-Jerseys continue to increase in popularity. I have received more enquiries for stock than ever before. Wherever introduced farmers find that they have unsurpassed qualities. Their quiet and contented disposition, hardy constitution and excellent quality of pork make them prime favorites. The Durocs are more in demand here than ever before. I have had only one ruptured pig among the hundreds raised, and that one due to a severe accident. I have shipped and sold to following parties lately: H. M. Stauffer, Plattsville, a sow; J. E. Shibly, Harrowsmith, Ont., a boar; T. W. Conner, Drumconnor, Ont., a boar; G. Roberts, Hepworth, Ont., a pair; Sylvester Brush, Malden, a pair; J. F. McTavish, Kilmartin, Ont., a pair; N. Farrough, Maidstone, Ont., the fourth purchase for Mr. Farrough; Robert Roe, Newry, Ont., a boar; Oliver Hillman, Hillman, Ont., a sow, bred; Seth Harling, Mersea, a sow, bred; a pair to Mr. Bogie, Ulverton, Que. I receive many letters from my advertisement in the ADVOCATE."

S. Coxworth, Silver Spring Stock Farm, Claremont, Ont.:—"The past year has been one of the most successful since I have been breeding Berkshires. The demand has been far in excess of my supply, although prices have been somewhat low. I think Berkshires have held their own amidst the booming of other breeds, and I think the time far distant when Berkshires of the right type will not command as high a price as any other breed. I was very successful at the Manitoba, Quebec and Ontario shows during the past season, winning in all 71 first prizes, 18 seconds and 13 thirds; also 11 diplomas and herd prizes. Space will not allow me to report a list of sales, but among the most important were the following: A choice pair under one year to W. Brown, of Portage la Prairie, Manitoba; one pair very promising young sows to R. G. Long, of Oak Lake, Man.; sow under one year to J. G. Barron, of Catberny, Man.; four sows to W. P. McClary, Compton, P. Q.; sow under six months to W. J. Shibles, of Harrowsmith, Ont.; boar under one year and bear under six months to J. W. Walker, of Allen Mills, Ont.; one two-shear Cotswold ram and pair imp. ewes to Edmond Valin, of Belair, P. Q. I have recently shipped my best shearing ram to J. R. Semple, of Brule, N. S. My herd of Berkshires was never in as good breeding condition as at present. I have four aged stock boars in use, and expect to be able to supply my numerous customers with pigs of the right stamp the coming season."

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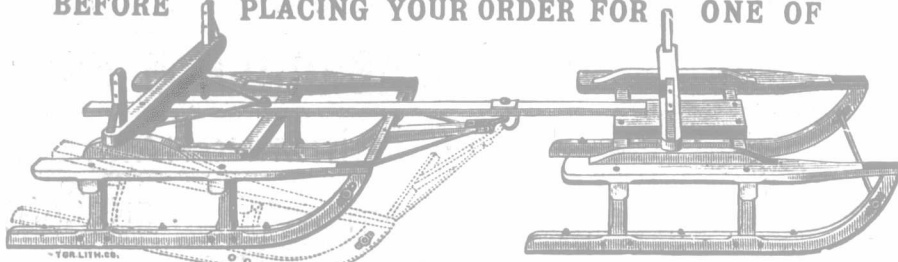
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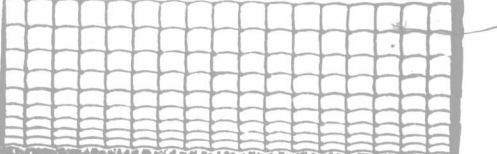


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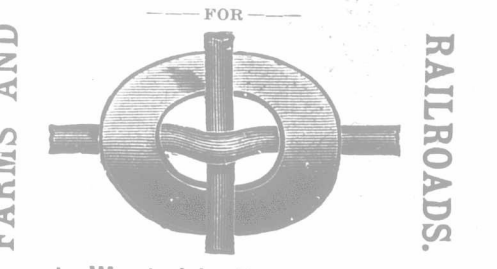
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