

This association, at its recent meeting in Providence, R. I., elected I. D. W. French, President, Chas. M. Winslow, Brandon, Vt., Secretary. The three volumes of the Ayrshire record issued by the association, have registered 2,525 bulls, and 5,470 cows.

The prize list of the English Cart-Horse Society for its forthcoming London show, gives us an idea of the standard of height preferred by breeders. Two classes are made for aged horses. In stallions they are divided into those under and those over sixteen hands two inches; in mares and geldings sixteen hands is the dividing line.

Next autumn a large number of Polled cattle from the herd of Lord Airlie, at Cortachy, Forfarshire, will be sold.

Six cows and heifers and three young bulls of the Polled Aberdeen and Angus cattle breed have been recently selected by Mr. Robert Bruce, of Great Smeaton, and were shipped on Tuesday, November 22, by the Royal Mail steamship Hibernia, of the Allan Line, from Liverpool, for the Government of Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Mr. Thos. McRae, of Guelph, has sold two imported Galloway heifers to an Ohio man for \$600.

The attention of Australian sheepmen having been attracted to the wool-bearing merits of American Merinos, four of this breed were sent to that country in 1880, and the second shipment of twenty head is now on the Pacific Ocean. The price of the most costly ram was \$2,000; the expense of transportation is \$2,000; sufficient food is supplied for the entire journey, and an agent accompanies the stock to its destination. The four months' quarantine the animals will encounter at the port of entry is a very serious drawback to importation.

The Hon. M. H. Cochrane, of Hillhurst, Comp ton, Que., intends holding a sale on April 18 h, at Dexter Park, Chicago, of about 30 head of Short-horns.

At the recent Birmingham fat stock show, a prize pen of three Shropshires weighed 840 lbs; a pen of Oxfords under 22 months, weighed 871 lbs. A Shropshire ewe weighed 374 lbs.

John Snell & Sons, Edmonton, Ont., report a good demand for Cotswolds and Berkshires. Among their late sales were the following:—To Wm. Ruterbush, Pay City, Mich., 1 ram and 5 ewes; to W. F. Jenison, Lansing, Mich., 1 ram and 3 ewes; to W. A. Dinuiddie, Aurora, Va., 1 ram and 1 ewe; to D. Fox, Wichita, Kan., 2 rams; to Jas. Hank, Industry, Mo., 1 boar and 1 sow; to P. T. Brown, Achor, Ohio, 1 pair; to W. A. Rowley, Mt. Clemens, Mich., 1 pair; to E. Gillogby, Leaboro, Ont., 1 pair; to D. Fox, Kansas, 1 boar; to Geo. Green, Stratford, Ont., 1 trio.

Messrs. H. & R. Beith are the possessors of the following fine Clydesdale stallions: "Autocrat," "Black Knight," "General Roberts," "Young Enterprise."

Mr. Valancey E. Fuller has purchased in Jersey the best bull to be procured, and is to be congratulated on his purchase. It is quite an addition to the Jersey stock of Canada.

Messrs. Anderson & Findlay, Lake Forest, Ill., have in their herd of polled cattle two half sisters to the heifer that won the \$525 champion plate last month, as the best animal in the Fat Stock Show of Smithfield, London.

The British Shorthorn Society has issued its balance sheet from the formation of the society in 1874, to December 31st, 1880. The report is somewhat unfavorable, but since that time prospects have been more encouraging. The copyright of the Herd Book is valued at £3,000, and the stock of volumes on hand at end of 1881, was valued at £4,740, and the society has invested £1,803 in consols. The prosecution of the exhibitor of a bull with a false pedigree cost above £532.

Wm. Lang, of St. Mary's, has sold to John Hooper, of Blanshard, young "Lord Cicero," rising two years old, roan colored, Durham bull.

Mr. R. A. Brown, Cherry Grove, has purchased a brood mare of "Royal George" and "Hambletonian" blood, from Mr. John Kaspil, of Medina.

Mr. John Kerslake, St. Mary's, has purchased of Mr. H. O. Sorby, Gourock, Ont., a fine imported Cotswold ram lamb.

Poland China pigs are being sent from Illinois to Germany for breeding purposes.

Messrs. H. & R. Beith have sold their Clydesdale colt "Waverley" to an Illinois purchaser for 1,500.

Mr. A. Trill, Ridgewood, Goderich, has sold his pure Princess bull, "6th Earl of Antrim," to James Cowan, Clochmor. We have not heard the price, but we believe it to be well up in the hundreds.

James Thompson, of Masonville, Ont., has lately sold the following pure bred Short-horn cattle:—To Mr. S. B. Gorwill, London, four year-old cow "Bracelet 3rd," and yearling heifer "Bracelet 5th;" to Mr. Frank R. Shore, Westminster, two-year-old heifer "Scottish Lass 4th," yearling heifer "Lonisa Languish," and five-year-old bull "3rd Earl of Darlington;" to Mr. Wm. Irwin, Westminster, yearling bull "Royal Duke;" to Messrs. J. & W. Watt, Salem, two-year-old heifer "Minnie 1st of Lynden," yearling heifer "Scottish Lass 5th," cow "Crimson Flower 2nd," two-year-old heifer "Miss Butterfly," two-year-old heifer "Bracelet 1th," and ten month-old bull calf "Breadalbane;" to Mr. Arthur Shore, Westminster, heifer calf "Carlotta 2nd," and cow "Scottish Lass 3rd." Eleven females sold at an average of \$209.54; eleven males at an average of \$135.33, and fourteen animals at an average of \$193.64.

Commercial.

THE FARMER'S ADVOCATE OFFICE,
London, Ont., Mar. 1, 1882.

Since writing last month there has been but little change to note. The weather has continued much the same, only somewhat milder, and the country roads are rather bad. Business has been quiet, and country merchants complain of a small business compared with that of last year. The want of snow has been very much felt by country merchants and traders.

WHEAT

Has had a serious tumble in the west, and excitement among the "bulls" and "bears" has been most intense. The result has been some serious failures, but still the speculation is as rampant as ever. The quantity of wheat in passage to Great Britain and the continent is much larger than this time last year, yet the quantity shipped from the United States and Canada is a long way short of last season. Notwithstanding all this the English miller has plenty of wheat to grind and plenty on the way. The wheat trade of the world has changed very much the past ten years. Time was when England depended on Russia and America for her supply of bread; now she draws from all quarters of the world, and wherever the English dealer can buy the cheapest that is where he is going to buy, no matter what price the cliques and bulls of Chicago may try to obtain. Some idea of the vastness and importance of the food supply of Great Britain may be imagined when it is stated that she imported last year \$830,000,000 worth of food. The growth of this vast import trade has been far in advance of that of the population. While the latter increased 16 per cent in the last 20 years, the former increased 160 per cent. This increase is due very largely to the improved circumstances of the English laboring and mercantile classes. From information from various sources, we learn that the winter wheat, where late and badly sown, and in wet land, is having rather a hard time of it. Clover is said to be badly heaved in some sections.

PEAS.

The demand for export is very quiet and confined to small shipments. There will be a large acreage sown this spring, and the demand for good seed peas in some sections is quite active.

CLOVER SEED

Has been quite active the past month, and the shipments to New York and Europe have been heavy. Canadian seed has been very much in request in London and other English markets. But it has to be bold, and a very deep purple, perfectly clean and uniform in sample. The farmers of Canada will do well to try if possible to cultivate this class of seed and make their seed as clean as possible. The foreign demand is now about over, and we may look for easier prices, as there is no doubt plenty for the home trade.

CHEESE

Keeps very quiet, and there seems to be very little life in the trade on the other side of the Atlantic. Late private cables quote the market very dull and two to three shillings lower in Liverpool. There are some lots still laying about the country, but chiefly in the hands of speculators. Late cables that we have seen from London, advise the sale of fine Canadian, September and October make at 66.

BUTTER

Is looking up somewhat, and fine qualities are readily picked up at good fair prices. There is plenty of inferior left, however, for which holders will have to take less than cost before it will move.

POTATOES

Rule very steady and will no doubt continue to do so. The mild winter has been very favorable to the movement which has been going on quietly in frost proof cans. We do not think there is much danger of a famine, however, for Scotland seems to have any quantity to spare.

FARMERS' MARKETS.

LONDON, Ont., 1st March, 1882.

Per 100 lbs		Lard, per lb.	
Wheat, Dehl.	\$2 15 to \$2 17	Flax Meal	2 50 to 3 75
Red	2 15 to 2 17	Eye	none offering
Spring	unchanged	Barley	1 50 to 1 75
Treadwell	2 15 to 2 17	Timothy seed	3 00 to 3 15
Olafson	1 16 to 1 18	Butter, per lb.	22 to 25
Oats	1 16 to 1 18	" tub	14 to 20
Peas	1 30 to 1 50	" crock	20 to 25
Corn	1 60 to 1 50	Eggs	15 to 15
Hay, per ton	11 00 to 11 50	Hops, 100 lbs.	21 00 to 20 00
Linsed Cake	2 0 to 2 25	Wool	20 to 25
Potatoes, bag	1 20 to 1 25	Apples	40 to 50
Honey, per lb.	30	Onions	75 to 1 00
Cheese	12 to 12 1/2	Straw, per load	2 00 to 3 00
Cordwood	4 00 to 5 00	Turkeys	50 to 1 50
Geese, each	40 to 60	Ducks, pair	30 to 40
Chickens, pair	35 to 40	Lamb lb.	8 to 8
Beef by cab.	5 00 to 6 00	Mutton lb.	7 to 8
Hogs dressed	per 100 lbs.	Veal	4 to 7
Turnips	20 to 25	Carrots	15 to 25
Tallow, ren'd.	7 to 7	Clover seed bu	4 25 to 4 40
" rough	4 to 5	Beans white bu	1 00 to 1 00

Toronto, Ont., 2nd Mar.

Wheat fall	\$1 20 to \$1 31	Potatoes, bag	1 10 to 1 20
Spring	1 25 to 1 35	Apples, br.	1 50 to 2 00
Oats	44 to 45	Butter, lb. roll	23 to 25
Hops, 100 lbs.	8 00 to 8 55	" dairy	20 to 21
Peas	2 25 to 2 35	Eggs, fresh	16 to 17
Hay	78 to 82	Wool, per lb.	23 to 24
Rye	7 00 to 12 00	Barley	75 to 85
	83 to 84	Clover Seed bush	4 75 to 4 90

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

Montreal, P.Q., 1st Mar.

Wheat—		Cornmeal	35 50 to 35 50
Can. spring	\$1 39 to \$1 41	Butter—	
Red winter	1 42 to 1 43	East'n T'p'a.	18 to 22
White winter	1 37 to 1 39	Brookville	17 to 20
Barley	60 to 70	Morrisburg	17 to 20
Oats	35 to 37	Western	15 to 18
Peas	75	Creamery	24 to 27
Flour	6 05 to 6 15	Eggs	20 to 22
Superior ex.	6 25 to 6 30	Lard	14 to 14 1/2
Superfine	6 00 to 6 15	Hams	13 to 13 1/2
Rye	88	Bacon	12 to 13
Oatmeal	5 00 to 5 10	Cheese	10 1/2 to 12 1/2

WHOLESALE PRODUCE MARKETS.

New York, 1st Mar.

Flour—		Rye	95 to 97
No. 2	\$3 20 to \$4 60	Eggs, State	24 to 25
Good	5 00 to 5 80	Potatoes	2 50 to 2 75
West'n ex.	7 25 to 8 25	Pork—	
Wheat—		New mess	17 75 to 18 00
No 2 red	1 32 to 1 35	Lard	10 75 to 10 75
No 1 white	1 30 to 1 30	Butter	25 to 45
Corn—No 2	68 to 69	Cheese	9 to 12 1/2
" yellow	70		
Oats	44 to 52		
Mix. white	49 to 52		

Boston, Mass., 28th Feb.

Flour—		Butter—	
Choice winter	\$7 50 to \$8 00	Creamery	23 to 24 1/2
Choice spring	7 50 to 8 75	Dairy	30 to 35
Corn meal, bbl.	2 10 to 2 20	Common	14 to 24
Oatmeal, bbl.	6 50 to 7 50	Cheese—	
Oats	54 to 56 1/2	Best factory	18 to 19 1/2
Wool		Farm dairy	12 to 13
Western fine	41 1/2 to 43	Beans, pr bu.	
Pulled extra	43 to 45	Hand picked	2 75 to 2 80
Canada pulled	35 to 37	Mediums	2 00 to 2 75
Combining	44 to 46	Common	2 00 to 3 10
Hay—		Potatoes, per bu.	25 to 1 15
Coarse, ton	19 00 to 21 00	Onions, per bb	2 00 to 2 25
Fine	15 00 to 17 00	Hops	10 to 20
Oat straw	10 00 to 11 00		

Liverpool, Eng., 1 Mar.

Flour, per c.	10 00 to 12 06	Barley, per c.	5 02 to
Spring wheat	9 06 to 10 04	Peas, per c.	6 11 to
Red Winter	9 00 to 10 00	Pork	77 06 to
White	9 00 to 10 01	Lard	54 06 to
Corn	1 01 to 10 04	Bacon	46 06 to 47 00
Corn	5 11 to	Beef, new	30 06 to
Oats, per c.	5 02 to	Tallow	44 06 to

CHEESE MARKETS.

Liverpool, Eng., Mar. 1, 5 p.m.

Per cable, 63s.

LITTLE FALLS CHEESE MARKET.

27th February.

There were 500 boxes of factory cheese sold here to day at 12 1/2 to 12 3/4 c.; 25 boxes of farm dairy brought 11 to 11 1/4 c.