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3.—Should one or more essays, in addition to the one receiving the first prize, present a different view of the question, a second prize will be awarded, but the payment will be in agricultural books. First prize essayists may choose books or money, or part of both. Selections of books from our advertised list must be sent in not later than the 15th of the month in which the essays appear. Second prize essayists may order books for any amount not exceeding \$3.00, but no balance will be remitted in cash. When first prize essayists mention nothing about books, we will remit the money.

Our prize of \$5.00 has been awarded to Mr. Henry Newmarch, Strathewen, Man., for the best essay on "The Best System of Feeding and Method of Caring for Cows in Winter for Winter Dairying."

We want Good, Live AGENTS to canvass for the "Farmer's Advocate" in every locality in the Dominion and United States. Sample copies and subscription blanks free to canvassers who mean business.

Read article on Fifteen Months for One Dollar.

Comrade.

The magnificent thoroughbred stallion Comrade, illustrated in our columns last month, is the property of Mr. E. H. Webb-Bowers, of Brandon, not of Messrs. McGregor & Co. as stated.

Report of Prize Farm Judges.

The judges, Messrs. J. I. Hobson, of Mosboro, and F. W. Hodson, of London, the gentlemen appointed by the Agriculture & Arts Association to examine the farms and award the prizes in the farm competition in Group No. 5, comprising the counties of Addington, Frontenac, Hastings, Peterboro', Victoria, Northumberland and Renfrew, have handed in their awards. They recommend the following prizes to be given:—J. A. Huffman, township of Thurlow, Hastings East, Blessington P.O., gold medal; S. Way, tp. of Hungerford, Hastings East, Chapman P. O., silver medal; Wm. Dolmage, tp. of Camden, Addington, Newburgh P. O., bronze medal; T. C. Stark, tp. of Pittsburg, Frontenac, Storrington P.O., bronze medal; Richard Moore, tp. of Wolfe Island, Frontenac, Wolfe Island P. O., bronze medal; J. Campbell, tps. of Mayo and Carlo, Hastings North, Havergal P.O., bronze medal; J. Mackey, tps. of Mayo and Carlo, Hastings North, Boulton P.O., bronze medal; Thos. Caskey, tp. of Madoc, Hastings North, Madoc P.O., bronze medal; Wm. Westington & Sons, tp. of Hamilton, Northumberland, Planville P.O., silver medal; Geo. English and Henry Humphries, tie, tp. of Asphodel, Peterboro', Hastings P.O., both bronze medals; Nichol Dawson, tp. of South Monaghan, Peterboro' West, Baillieboro' P.O., silver medal; J. F. Davidson, tp. of S. E. and L., Peterboro' West, Peterboro' P.O., bronze medal; J. Airth, tp. of Horton, Renfrew South, Renfrew P.O., silver medal; Jas. Martin, tp. Horton, Renfrew South, Renfrew P.O., bronze medal; J. Campbell, tp. of Admaston, Renfrew South, Admaston P.O., bronze medal; P. Cameron, tps. of Buxley and Carden, Victoria North, bronze medal; J. S. Jordan, tp. of Eldon, Victoria North, Woodville P.O., silver medal; J. Willock, tp. of Fenelon, Victoria North, Fenelon Falls P.O., bronze medal. Altogether there were 51 farms entered, entailing a great deal of work upon the judges. Over 800 miles had to be driven. Great interest has been taken by the farmers through the section of country where the competition lay, and it is not too much to say that this work, which is being carried on annually, and in which there is a growing interest, is going to be no mean factor in raising the standard of agriculture in this province.

Fifteen Months for One Dollar.

According to our usual custom at this time of the year, we have decided to give the remainder of this year and all of 1892 to all new prepaid subscribers. Agents are instructed to take subscriptions on these terms. During the past year the ADVOCATE has steadily and surely grown in public favor. Our subscription list is larger than ever before, and is constantly increasing. We ask each of our old subscribers to send us at least one new name. To all who wish to get up clubs we offer the following terms:—

For from 10 to 20 new names 25c. each.
" 20 to 50 " 35c. "
50 and upwards, 40c. "

To those who desire to work for stock prizes we offer the following prizes:—To the canvasser sending in 100 new names at \$1.00 each, a young bull or heifer of any of the following breeds: Shorthorn, Ayrshire, Devon, Holstein, Jersey, Polled-Angus or Galloway. For 30 new names we will send a ram or ewe lamb of any of the following breeds: Cotswold, Leicester, Lincoln, Shropshire, Southdown, or Horned Dorset, and a pair of any of the following breeds of swine for the same number of names: Berkshire, Yorkshire, Suffolk, Poland-China, Chester White or Tamworth. Older animals of any description on equally favorable terms. All stock sent out by us will be registered in their respective records, and of good quality. We guarantee satisfaction in all respects. We want good, honest agents in every county of Canada, and will give permanent employment and good wages to suitable persons. Our regular agents are earning from \$600 to \$1,200 and expenses per annum. Agent's outfit furnished on application.

In other columns will be found an article on sheep-breeding, by Mr. D. G. Hanmer, of the firm of D. G. Hanmer & Sons, Mount Vernon, Ont. These gentlemen are practical and successful sheep breeders. As such they have been well-known in Ontario for some years. Last year they showed the best flock of Canadian-bred Shropshires ever before exhibited in the province. This year their flock is better than last year. Several of the animals were bred by themselves, and all were fitted for show by them. In short, they are men who understand their business and practice what they know. The article referred to is plain and practical, and should be carefully read by every sheep breeder. Mr. Hanmer lays great stress on the quality of the head; this is correct, but other qualities must not be overlooked. There is a tendency with most breeders to pay greater attention to one quality than to any other, judging a sheep by that quality largely. While Mr. H. is particular about the head, he is also careful to obtain excellence in other points.