GOSSIP.

JAMES A. CASKEY'S HOLSTEINS. The village of Madoc, in Hastings Co., Ont., is situated in a very fertile and beautifully lying agricultural country, sufficiently timbered to supply fuel and building material for some time to come, and dotted here and there with beautiful lakes and streams. It is highly desirable as a stock-raising section, the fertility of the soil being such that any crops suitable to the climate of that portion of Canada flourish in this part of Hastings. Dairying has been carried on all through the county, and the thoroughness and care with which the work has been conducted has given Hastings an envisible reputation for their cheese and butter in the various markets. Those more wideawake realize the importance of keeping pace with the demands of the times in the improvement of their stock, and with this realization, Mr. Jas. A. Caskey, acting upon his judgment, paid a visit to the large Holstein breeding establishment of Henry Stevens & Sons, Lacona, N. Y. and made a selection of a dozen head, many of them carrying the most fashionable of breeding. For a sire to head the new herd the handsome and fashionably bred young Manor De Kol's Prince, by Manor De Kol, was chosen. He is qut of Manor Kekke, in whose pedigree many creditable official tests are recorded. The dam of his sire made in an official butter test 26.66 pounds of butter in 7 days, while his grandam is none other than the noted De Kol and, so favorably known to those familiar with Holstein breeding. His own dam is credited with 74 pounds of milk per day without special preparation, while others of the connection have equally good records. In conformation Manor de Kol's Prince is an unusually showy type of a bull, very even, though not large, and has a beautifully marked skin, which handles like a piece of velvet; he stands well on his legs, and shows the strong dairying indications peculiar to one of his breeding. Mr. Caskey informed us that the price he was compeljed to pay for this bull was a long one, but considered the sire of sufficient importance to wairrant even an extravagant figure for a suitable animal, and we believe he has got one. Among the females selected we saw Karndyke Queen De Kol 41934, H. F. H. B., by Manor De Kol 201265, and out of Belle Karndyke 13913, which, on the sire's side, runs to the famous Netherland family, with their grand show of official records, of the soil being such that any crops suitable to the climate of that portion of Canada flourish in this part of Hastings. Dairying has been mit, but a brief mention to show what families they belong to must be sufficient for the present. Some five young females of the noted Inka family were chosen, with Jesse Pictertje and 300 crosses at their back. Belle Burke Mechthilde, by Sir Abbekirk Burke and out of Artis Bell, was dropped in March, 1896, and now carries her second calf without any forcing. She gave 42 pounds milk per day last season and developed a splendid udder, so that with good attention when she reaches maturity she will account creditably not only for herself but the family to which she belongs. The four-year-old cow, DeDikkert 3rd's DeKol, by Netherland DeKol Pictertje and out of DeDikkert 3rd, lately dropped a splendid young heifer and developed a well-balanced udder of great capacity, with fine veins, and promises to make a good record before the season is out. In all, Mr. Caskey had half a dozen heifer calves at the time of our visit, and all cows are being bred to Manor DeKol's Prince, which with reasonable luck will soon give him a splendid dairy herd of pure-breds, and as he has an up-to-date barn and stabling under consideration, we look forward to being able to visit as complete an establishment of the kind as is in the Province in the near fature; and if enterprise and favorable surroundings are any guide, our hopes cannot but be realized.

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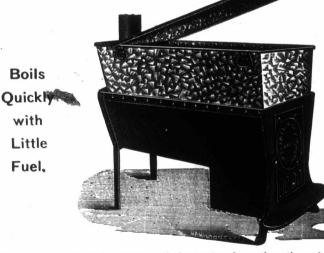
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