

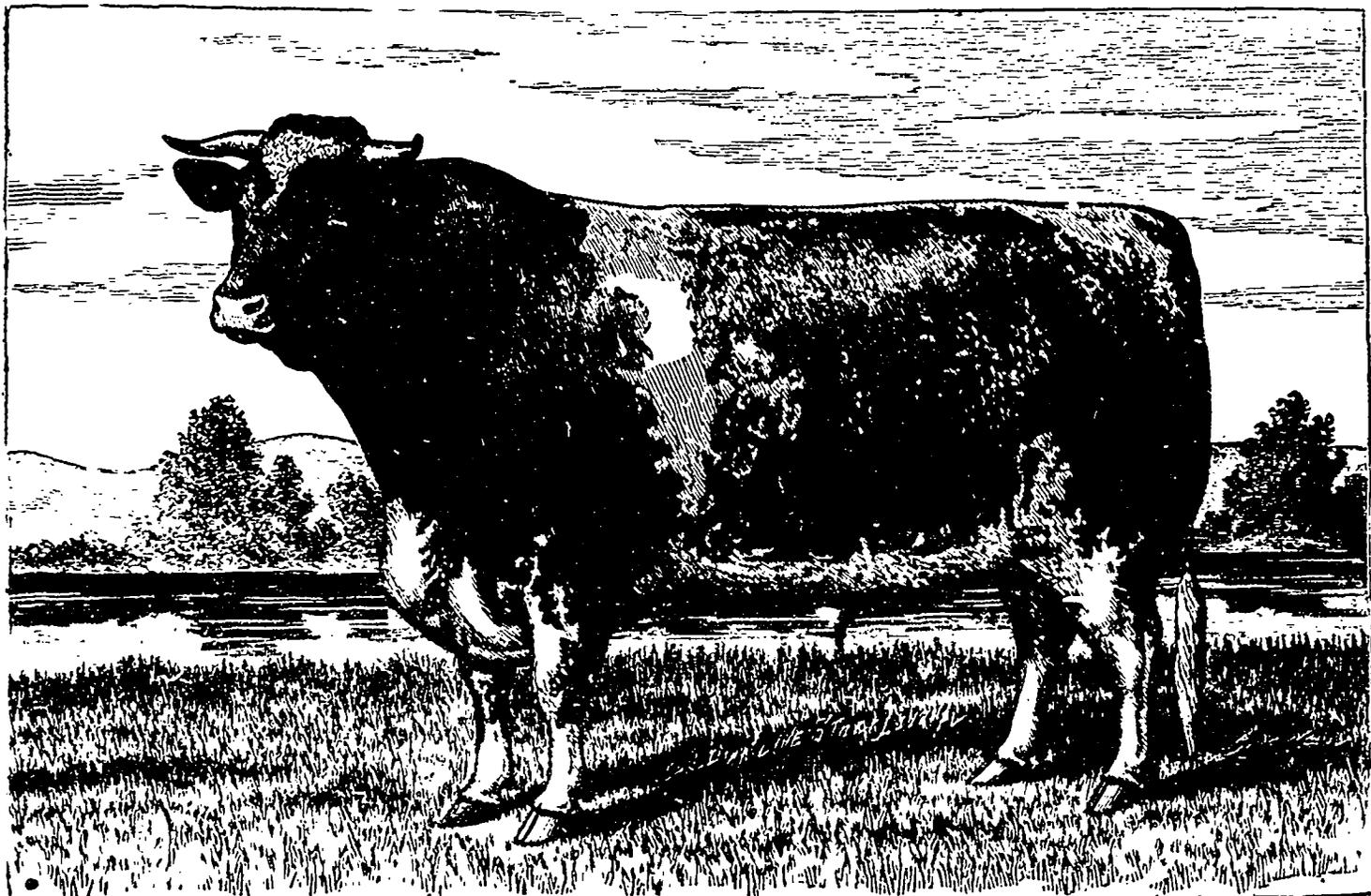
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THE IMPORTED SCOTCH SHORTHORN BULL ECLIPSE (49526.)

The Property of James Guardhouse & Sons, Highfield, Ont.

The Shorthorn Bull Eclipse (49526).

This fine specimen of a Scotch typical Shorthorn bull, whose likeness is accurately reproduced in the above picture, was bred by Mr. Duthie, Collynie, and imported by A. Johnson, Greenwood, Ont., in 1884. An easy appearing animal, roan in color, and of a smooth, deep, fleshy character, he possesses a mellow hide, and straight and smooth outline, with a heavy body on short legs, full heart girth, and a neat head. He was calved on March 6th, 1882, and purchased to head the Rosedale Herd, of the Messrs. James Guardhouse & Sons, Highgate, Ont., in 1886. His sire, the Earl of March (33807), was a first prize winner at the Highland Society's show at Aberdeen, and the winner of several cups and medals.

Forth 3d, the grandsire, was by the Highland Society's first prize bull, Forth, (17506). Twenty-one sires appear in the pedigree, several of them bred by the Collings.

Eclipse was never beaten in Old Country show rings, save by the famous Goldfinder and Field Marshal. In 1886 he was 2d in a ring of thirteen aged bulls, at the Toronto Industrial, a number of them imported, yielding only to the famous Bow Park bull,

Sir Arthur Ingram. This year he was 2d in the same show yard, and also headed the herds which won both the regular and special prize for Shorthorns. He is not only an easy keeper, but is proving himself a good and sure getter, a son of his owned by H. Rawlings, Ravenswood, Ont., carrying first prize at the recent show in Toronto in the yearling class.

The Exhibition Prize Lists.

We feel that we are correct when we say that this year again the JOURNAL is the only paper in the whole Dominion which publishes the complete prize lists of the live-stock and farm departments of the leading exhibitions of the Province. We respectfully ask our readers to give this statement more than a passing attention. Why have the leading newspapers of the Province given up a practice that furnished information so highly prized by the farmers; or to put it differently, why have they concluded to pay so little deference to the desires of the farmers in this matter? There are long and accurate notices in most of the leading dailies regarding other features of the exhibit, but very little indeed is said usually of the farming portion thereof. We can see some reason in omitting the publication of stock prize lists in the dailies, but none whatever in the weeklies.

The office of newspapers in their relation to the public is to furnish information that will at once prove interesting and useful. There is no item of importance published in all the year more useful to the farmer than the prize-lists of our leading shows. The Greeks of ancient times thought so much of their winning athletes that they kept them the remaining portion of their days at the public expense. Our Canadians think so little of the successes of their champions in lines far more useful, that they will not give them publicity. Oh, shame on the press of Canada that refuses to recount the hard earned honors of those who supply them with bread and meat! The farmers naturally murmur, but what will that avail? About as much as a watch-dog barking at the moon. If they would but act in concert, they could get redress in a single year. Let them dip their pens deep in ink, and record their remonstrances, and if these are not published, they can live without the assistance of a journalism so unfriendly and so unjust. The farmers are more than two to one of the entire population, and they own fully this proportion of our wealth, and yet the record of their interests, which are at once the bulwark and mainstay of the land, must give place to make room for the prize fight and the outlandish, trashy, wishy-washy tale.

Farmers, we leave it for you to answer as to whether the only paper in the whole Dominion publishing your prize-lists has any special claim on you for support.