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We are quite sure, from the overwhelming number of letters that we receive, speaking well of the JOURNAL, that every subscriber is a friend and well-wisher, and would like to see its circulation vastly increased. We would like here to say to our patrons that if each one of them would but send us the name of a new subscriber between now and the end of the year, it would be one of the most effective forms of service that he could render both to us and to the country, as in such a case twice the number of farmers would be repeatedly reminded of the folly of being contented with a low grade of stock-keeping and farming.

Exporting Stock.

Many of our readers are no doubt familiar with Lord McAulay's picture of London becoming a place for the fisherman: to build his hut, the sovereignty of empire having been transferred to the other side of the equator. This picture will or will not be realized but as He wills who rules supreme amongst the nations. Many strange transformations take place with the countries of the earth as well as with individuals—many wonderful revolutions in the wheel of destiny are made. Contrast the queenly maritime Tyre, whose houses were palaces and whose merchants were princes, with the Tyre of to-day, whose rock is scraped bare, scarcely affording material with which to build the hut of the fisherman who spreads his net to dry upon its baldness. Think of Yucatan, once covered with populous cities, now buried along with their histories beneath the forests which have long since grown over them, covering them with an obscurity that is positively painful to the student of other days.

But even without the rise and fall of empires, the centres of commerce and also of consumption change, and the thought has more than once come to us—will the time ever reach us when Great Britain will be sending to America for her sires, and America will send to Europe for meat to supply her crowded populations. Although these changes are not to be in the near future, they are not impossible, for Canada has already done more than many are aware of in exporting prize-winning stock to Britain, and this may be but the foretaste of what is yet to be.

We drew the following from the lips of but one of our importers—Mr. Simon Beattie, of Annan, Scotland. About the year 1880, Mr. Beattie took over a cow, first at Edinburgh in her class (a five-year-old Shorthorn), and second against all breeds; the same took prizes at Cumberland, and first at Annan and at Dumfries. In the year 1880 Mr. B. took over a carriage horse, which took first at the Highland Society's show at Dumfries. On an exported hunting horse he carried first at the same show, and put on record the highest score made up to that time. This horse was first three times in five showings. In 1884 Mr. B. took two firsts, one at Thornhill, Dumfriesshire, one for saddle horse, and the other for a cob. The previous year the cob was first at Locherby and third at Carlisle. This horse was bred near Montreal, and was finally sold to the factor of the Duke of Portland. The jumping horse won a cup at Manchester in a class of 125, making a fine score. His name was The Turk, sired by one of Mr. Beattie's importing, the Grand Turk, and a Canadian mare. Mr. Beattie has taken

over as many as 100 horses in a single season, and in the prosecution of his work of importing and exporting has crossed the sea no less than *seventy* times.

It would be rash for any one to take it upon himself to say what may not be in coming days. With an ever-increasing trade in the exportation of fat stock, the wonderful strides made by the cheese industry, and the bright openings that await the developing of the butter industry, and the trade in cavalry horses, the outlook is not discouraging.

It is not wise to indulge in self-glorification, but it is wise to aim at achievement that leaves far behind in the race all competitors, and this will hold equally true of individuals, communities and nations. Every Canadian engaged in breeding any kind of stock should do his utmost to have it the very best of its kind, and those engaged in the production of dairy products, the growth of fruit, or the gathering of honey, should aim likewise. In such a case we need have no fear regarding the market, for this would then take care of itself. It would be a glorious achievement to excel in each of those agricultural lines, and it is not impossible.

The Clydesdales of South Park.

NEW IMPORTATION.

The Messrs. R. Beith & Co., of Southpark, Bowmanville, Ont., have been very successful in recent years in exhibiting Clydesdale horses at our leading exhibitions. Although the competition is always strong and the quality of many of the competitors is of a high order, a goodly share of the coveted reds are borne away by horses from South Park. The reasons for this are not far to seek. This firm always makes its selections in person, and these are made with the greatest care. No horses of an inferior quality are brought over in the hope of selling them to the untutored, nor do any find a place in their stud which do not possess *quality*, that great requisite of all animals, which more than pay for their keep. This also explains the reason of the ready sales of the horses of this firm. So that notwithstanding the large importations made from year to year, but few of them remain at South Park more than one season.

We have just been favored with a review of the importation of the present year, and have been most favorably impressed with the high order of merit which, without any exception, each of the animals possesses, although some of course are superior to others. In the order of age there were of stallions 3 five-year-olds, 4 four years, 4 three years, 4 two years, and 2 one-year; and of mares 1 four-year-old, 2 three-years, and 1 two-years, making 21 in all.

Of the five-year-olds Rakerfield (4190) is perhaps the prince, as he is a neat, all round horse, and very full of life. He carried first prize at the Provincial at Ottawa this season, and has since been sold to Mr. Thomas Colquhoun, Gowrie, Ont. He is out of the dam (4348) vol. vii, and by the sire Pride of Galloway (1245) vol. ii. Cashier vol. x, is a beautiful fellow with a powerful arm, and when in good form weighs about 1,900 lbs. He is by Prince of Carstairs (1505) vol. iii, and from Darling of Cockridge (vol. x), by Walston Tom (4770) vol. viii. Tweedbank (3276) is a tremendous horse of some 2,100 lbs., with a great body and round barrel and good limbs. His sire is Drumpellier (1428) vol. v, by Druid (1120), which was first at the Highland Society's show in 1878, and first at the Royal in 1879. His dam is Maud (2057) by Prince Charlie (628).

The four-year-olds, Erskine (4986), Rodger (4671), Man o' War (4572), and Prince Ferdinand (vol. x),

are a fine lot in the full vigor of prime usefulness. Erskine has any amount of life, lots of bone and muscle and good feet, and was in the short leet at Glasgow last spring. His sire is Lord Erskine (1744), and sire of dam Lord Clyde (482). Roger is a massive horse of 2,100 lbs., and notwithstanding his weight moves with much sprightliness. He is just high enough on his feet, but is a grand good horse. His sire is Nelson (1493), and Chancery Ward (1716), bred at Balig, whence came Conigsby, which won for the Messrs. Beith the gold medal at Ottawa Provincial, 1884, and Vanguard, which won first at the same show. Man o' War (4572), has a tremendous body, and yet is not coarse. He is a dark brown in color, and is by Warrior (902), dam Sally McKie (1650). His g. d. is by Wec Clyde (944), and his full sister was sold in Australia for £1,400. Prince Ferdinand is a very neat-cut horse, with a good chest and round barrel, though less in weight than some of the others, sired by Good Hope (2146) by Darnley (222), and tracing to Hercules (378), he is a pretty horse with the action of a roadster.

The three-year-olds, Abbot of Rerwick (vol. x), Knight of Craighburn (5118), Guy Mannering (vol. x), and Royal Charter (vol. x), are magnificent fellows, and each gives promise of much usefulness. Abbot of Rerwick is perhaps the plum of the lot, a nicely-coupled horse with great, strong and good limbs, good points, and heavy body. His coupling is short and body nicely rounded. His sire is Belted Knight (1395), vol. iii, and dam Kirkcarswell Trim (413), by Largs Jock (444); Knight of Craighburn (5118) was fourth at the last Glasgow show. He is an inbred Prince of Wales with a nicely rounded body and capital action. His sire, Wyndham (5391), was winner of first at Inverness in 1883. Guy Mannering is a low-set horse, well built, and, like most of the McGregors, well put together. Brown in color; he was sired by McGregor (1457), dam Doll, late Fanny (1597) by Prince (609). Royal Charter is an admirable horse with clean limbs. His sire, Rhoderick Dhu (4193), by Corswall (1428), won first at the Highland Society's show in 1881 and 1882. His dam, Kate of McChains-ton (vol. x), is by Pride of Bourge (2332).

Warry (vol. ix) two years old, with black points, and a nice stepper, has a shapely body. He is by Warrior (902), out of Jess of Glentriplock (682). Wellington's Heir (5438), the same age, came by King of the Forest (1170), dam Sally of Birket (5076) and traces to a mare by Glancer (3635). He has won prizes on both sides of the Atlantic. Prince of Kirtle (vol. x), a horse of strong bone, is by Lord Kirkhill (5165), dam Darling of Garibaldi. In his breeding are united different strains of Prince of Wales blood. Lord FitzErskine (vol. x), the other two-year-old, was fourth at Aberdeen. Well muscled and with bone of the right stamp, he has a very fine pedigree, having come by Lord Erskine (1744), dam Polly Ann (4872), by True Blue (1334), a half brother of Druid (1120). The prince of the two-year-olds, The Granite City (5397) is fully described on the first page.

The 2 one-year-olds, Sailor Prince, vol. x), and The Gem (vol. x), are in keeping with the older ones. Both give promise of making extra good horses. The former is by Old Times (579), dam Nancy, and the latter by Lord Erskine (1744), dam Kennedy's Mare, by Sir David (1820).

Of the mares, Queen Anne is four years, Bonnie Bloom (vol. x), and Jessie Reid (vol. x) are three years, and Lucy (vol. viii), one year younger. Queen Anne is a beauty, and has been quite a prize winner in the old country. She also carried the sweepstakes