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GOSSIP.

TREDINNOCK HERD OF AYRESHIRE.
Within a stone's throw of Ste. Anne de Bellevue station, G. T. R., and less than a quarter of a mile from the station of the same name on the C. P. R., 21 miles west of Montreal, is the fine 330-acre farm and magnificent farm buildings of Robert Redford, Esq., of Montreal City, under the efficient superintendence of Mr. James Boden, a careful and capable farm manager and stockman, and a critical judge of dairy cattle. The leading feature of the farm is the splendid herd of some 70 head of registered Ayshire cattle kept on the farm, representatives of which are illustrated in this issue, which is up-to-date in every respect and doubtless unsurpassed, probably unequalled, by any other herd on the continent. Standing at the head of the herd as the stock sires are the two famous imported bulls, Glencairn 3rd and Napoleon of Auchencrain. The former has proven himself a sire of wonderful impressiveness, as indicated by the uniformly high character of his produce now in the herd, numbering about 30 head of young cows and heifers, the equal of which we have never seen together on one farm. Glencairn 3rd is a model dairy bull in conformation and quality, his rich yellow skin, soft, silky hair, and fine handling quality being of the highest order, and his sons and daughters show the same properties in a marked degree, while the latter have invariably well-formed udders and good sized and well-placed teats, and those in use are proving exceedingly satisfactory milkers both in regard to quantity and quality. Napoleon of Auchencrain 3303, the bull in our illustration, winner of the first prize in his class and sweepstakes as best bull of the breed of any age at the Toronto Industrial Exhibition, Canada's greatest show, where he also stood at the head of the first-prize herd, was selected by Mr. Boden and imported for the purpose, mainly, of mating with the daughters of Glencairn 3rd, a mission for which he is peculiarly well adapted, and which, judging from the appearance of his first crop of calves, which have been coming along for the last three months, he is nobly fulfilling, for a stronger, straighter and deeper lot of youngsters it has never been our lot to see. Napoleon is large, lengthy, and straight in his lines; has a long, fine, yet muscular neck, a strong back and loin, wide hips, long and level quarters, not fleshy, but a big, bony framework, roomy, and calculated to give capacity for feeding and for udder development in his daughters. His thighs are wide and thin, his flanks deep, and his skin and hair soft and mellow to the touch, while he has behind him in his pedigree a succession of the most noted prize-winning and milk-producing ancestry in the land of heather. Among the older imported cows included in the herd are the two notable matrons, Anne of Baronskirk and Nellie Osborne, companions in the late Tom Brown's best importation, the latter a prize-winner at the World's Fair at Chicago and first repeatedly at Canada's leading shows, and still in the heyday of her usefulness; both she and her mate being large milk producers and capital breeders. Of the more recent importations Primrose of Holchouse 3309 (see illustration), winner of second prize in the great competition at Toronto, 1898, is one of the truest types of the best of the breed, and Lady Stirling 3rd (in illustration), winner of second prize at the Western Fair at London over her stable companion last named, has the ideal form of frame and milk vessel for a typical Ayshire. Kersey of Auchencrain, by the same sire as Napoleon, due to calve last month, having being mated with Glencairn 3rd, has a model-shaped udder of large dimensions and has elegant dairy conformation; while Loantaka, winner of second as a dry cow at Ottawa, has freshened with a grand show of udder, well balanced and level, with teats set to please the most critical judge. Prominent among the best of the home-bred young cows are Queen of Ste. Anne's, full sister to Royal Star, the 1st prize two-year-old bull at Toronto, and daughter of Glencairn 3rd. The first and second prize two-year-old heifers at Toronto and the first prize heifer calf at the same show, and by the same sire, and which figured in the first prize group of four, the progeny of a show record for Glencairn and Tredinnock that has seldom if ever been equalled in America.

ANGIE GRACE 2ND'S PIETERTJE.

On another page we present an illustration of the famous Holstein-Friesian cow, Angie Grace 2nd's Pieterje, owned by Henry Stevens & Sons, Lacona, Oswego Co., N. Y. This was the first prize aged cow and also sweepstakes cow at the Victorian Era Exposition at Toronto, Ont., in 1897. She was also first prize and champion cow at nearly all the leading fairs in the U. S. the same year. This year she is again adding more laurels to her already famous showyard record, as she won first and championship at New York State Fair, New Jersey, Indiana, and Wisconsin State Fairs, also first in her class and sweepstakes at the Omaha Exhibition. She is not only one of the greatest show cows living, but is a great producer as well. She was officially tested one week for butter when six years old by Horace Atwood, of Cornell University Experiment Station, and made 23 lbs. 8.22 oz. butter. During this test she gave in one day 100 lbs. milk. Messrs. Stevens' herd now numbers over 100 head, and is very strong in the DeKor family and also the Hengervelds, acknowledged to be among the richest producing families known. Parties interested in Holsteins should write Messrs. Stevens & Sons.

American Shropshire Association

The report of Mr. Mortimer Levering, secretary at the annual meeting of the Shropshire Association, at Omaha, Oct. 12, showed the business of the past year to have been the largest in the history of the Association. The membership is 1,247. The cash transactions were: On hand last year, \$3,774; receipts, \$11,169; payments, \$9,396; now on hand, \$5,577. Officers elected: President, Hon. John Dryden, Toronto; Vice President, Prof. W. C. Latta, Lafayette, Ind.; Secretary-Treasurer, Mortimer Levering, Lafayette, Ind.; Executive Committee, Richard Gibben, John L. Thompson.

Shorthorns & Clydesdales

Having recently made a large importation of Shorthorn cattle from Aberdeenshire, Scotland, I will call a public auction sale early in January, at which I will dispose of as good a lot of stock as ever passed under the hammer on this continent. Watch future numbers of the FARMER'S ADVOCATE for my special announcement, and gossip giving full particulars, etc.

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