

These lumps are often so large that the little animal is unable to force them out of the bowel and they must be moved mechanically; the administration of purgatives to the little creatures for this purpose is dangerous, as medicines administered by the mouth have very little or no action upon the contents of the posterior intestines. The forefinger should be well oiled and carefully inserted into the rectum and all the meconium that can be reached should be removed after which an injection of a little raw linseed oil or a little soapy water should be given. This operation should be repeated several times daily until the faeces that are passed are of a yellow color, which tells us that the meconium has all passed and what is passing now is the product of the milk the young animal has taken after birth. The attendant should observe whether the urine is passed in a normal manner, as sometimes the opening into the urethra is closed by a false membrane and then the urine will escape by the navel opening or not at all. If an obstruction of this kind exists a small catheter must be passed to break down the membrane, but fortunately this condition is seldom met with. If the birth has been normal all the attention the dam will require is to be excluded from draughts for a few days, kept comfortable, fed on warm mashes, and if in cold weather the chill should be taken off the drinking water for a few days. If parturition has been difficult, causing complications of different kinds, the services of a veterinary obstetricist should be secured.

### Stock Notes

ANOTHER car-load of purebred stock has gone west it started from Guelph, and stock was also taken on at Myrtle and at Carleton Place. The following were the shippers: the F. W. Stone Estate, Guelph, four Hereford heifers; Capt. Johnston, Bramosa, one Shorthorn yearling bull; W. R. Bowman, Mount Forest, one Shorthorn bull calf; G. W. Clemons, St. George, two Holsteins, a bull and a heifer; T. A. Cox, Brantford, one Berkshire boar; J. G. Snell, Surlgrove, a Berkshire boar and a Cotswold ram; Arthur Johnston, Greenwood, a Clydesdale mare, and two Shorthorn bulls; H. D. Smith, Compton, Quebec, one Hereford heifer; Mr. Wilson, Compton, one Hereford; and the balance of the car was made up of five Ayrshire from the herd of R. G. Stacy of Lyn. Some of the animals are for points west of Calgary and are sent to Edmonton for a cost of about \$10, whereas under the old rates it would have cost over \$30 to land an animal there.

J. DAVITT & SON'S CLYDESDALES.—The Clydesdales to be found at J. Davitt & Son's, Freeman, are of an excellent and useful type. The head of the stud for some years has been Douglas Macpherson, (1791), imported in dam by D. & O. Sorby in August, 1888. He is sired by Macpherson, (1835), and he by Macgregor, (1847), by Darnley, (222). His dam is Bell,

(1755) by Good Hope, (1679), by Darnley, and his grand-dam is Bell, (667). Macpherson is a beautiful bay with four white pasterns and a small white stripe on the nose. He is a low set horse, standing 16½ hands high and when in good flesh would weigh 2,100 lbs. He has excellent feet, strong, flat bone, is well muscled, and is also an excellent walker. As a three-year-old he won first place at the Toronto Industrial. As a sire he has proved himself one of the best in Western Ontario, his gets having won good places at many of the leading fairs in competition with the gets of such well known sires as St. Gatien, Sir Maurice, Macneilage and Grandeur. Another sire in the stud that promises exceedingly well is Grandeur II, (1746), out of the same mare as Macpherson, but sired by Grandeur, (1724), by Darnley. He is a large grower, colt with good feet and pasterns, and good strong bone. When matured he will be one of the best powerful horses in Canada. In tracing the pedigree of the mares and fillies in the stud we find the names of such well known sires as Lloydson Roy, Ontario Chief, Macarthur MacLay, Duke of Flemington, Grandeur and Lord Lyon. Of the mares in the stud mention should be made of Nellie MacLay, a beautiful chestnut mare, she is sired by MacLay, dam Isabella, and has been a winner of several prizes at Toronto, and is a real good mare. She is a regular breeder, having raised four foals though only rising seven now. Aggie Macpherson is another good mare. She won, and at Toronto as a yearling, and first at London the same year. The stock is kept in good breeding condition, not too fat, as the object is to produce good strong, healthy stock. Douglas Macpherson and Grandeur II are for sale and intending purchasers can see thirteen of Macpherson's get in the stud. This should be a great consideration to stockmen in buying a stock horse. Mr. Davitt's farm, Hickory Grove Farm, is about a quarter of a mile north of Burlington station on the G. T. R., nine miles from Hamilton, and two miles from the Burlington and Hamilton Radial Railway.

### Mr. Simmons' Dispersion Sale

There was a large attendance of prospective buyers from all parts of the province at Mr. Simmons' dispersion sale of Shorthorn cattle, on Friday, 18th of March. Quite a number of buyers were also present from the U.S. and the Northwest. Good prices, as a rule, were obtained, and everything went off smoothly under the hands of the able auctioneer, Capt. T. E. Robson. The stock was in breeding condition only, so that buyers had the best of chances to see what the stock was like. Then another thing that added to the value of the stock was the number of young calves at the sides of the dams, showing that the cows were regular breeders.

In all there were ten members of the Strathallan family sold, five of them having calves by their side. As a family they present a strong likeness, being good-sized, strong-boned, thick-fleshed useful cattle. They show plenty of quality, and members of the family are good enough to find their way into the prize lists at our leading exhibitions, and even to win the sweepstakes award. Headed by the old cow, Daisy of Strathallan, they made a group of animals of which no breeder need be ashamed. The old cow in her seventeenth year, with a heifer calf by her side, by Blue Ribbon, brought \$145. All the Strathallans sold for good prices. Mr. Robert Miller bought two of them, but sold them again before he left the grounds. Those who let the others slip through their fingers determined to have the last one of the family, Daisy of Strathallan 15th, a beautifully formed heifer, showing lots of quality, and with a heifer calf by her side. She is of the thick, whey sort, and though Mr. Carpenter had to run up the highest price of the day to secure her, he can rest assured that he has got something good, as she is the making of an excellent cow. The three representatives of the Golden Drop family were good ones. The old cow, Golden Drop, by Barnington Hero, is a good-sized cow, with well sprung rib, smooth, thick-fleshed, and shows lots of quality. She and her yearling heifer, Golden Drop 3rd, by Royal Saxon, go to W. S. Carpenter, Simcoe. The other member of the family goes to J. T. Gibson, Denfield. She, too, is a well-built, smooth, good-haired heifer. The Mina cow goes to keep company with the thick animals at Maple Lodge, and her daughter, Mina 2nd, perhaps the sweetest and nicest animal sold, went to W. D. E. Platt, Hamilton. The Elvira family

were headed by Elvira 11th, now almost thirteen years old. Her daughter, Elvira 21st, is a straight, smooth, one, with well sprung rib, good back and loin, and of splendid quality. She had a bull calf beside her and was sold to W. D. Platt, Hamilton, while another heifer, a year younger, but a thick, blocky one, with great front, deep flank, and with quality showing all over her, went to swell the herd of Capt. Milloy, Paris.

The bulls did not attract as much attention as the females did. It looked once as though old Blue Ribbon would be dropped off at about \$100, but that was too good a bargain for any one to get, though we think he was cheap enough at \$115. The young bulls were nice ones, and brought good prices. The other animals sold well. The following is a list of the names of all the animals, giving date of birth, purchaser and price.

Cows: Daisy of Strathallan 14th (Sept. 93), John Miller & Son, Brantford, \$200. Daisy of Strathallan 15th (Sept. 94), John Miller & Son, \$210. Daisy of Strathallan 16th (Feb. 97), W. S. Carpenter, Middle Church, Man., \$210. Daisy of Strathallan 3rd (Nov. 97), P. J. Hana, Glenora, Minn., \$155. Daisy of Strathallan (Aug. 83), W. H. Taylor, Alta. Cnry., \$145. Daisy of Strathallan 15th (Mar. 97), W. G. Teut, Freeman, \$200. Daisy of Strathallan 14th (May 96), A. P. Cook Co., Brooklyn, Mich., \$205. Daisy of Strathallan 15th (Nov. 96), Capt. Milloy, Paris, \$155. Daisy of Strathallan 17th (Oct. 93), Hornsby Bros., Eminence, Kentucky, \$100. Daisy of Strathallan 15th (Sept. 93), W. S. Carpenter, Simcoe, \$125. Elvira 11th (April, 83), Mc. Cadmore, \$150. Elvira 21st (Oct. 93), W. D. Platt, Hamilton, \$200. Elvira 22nd (Sept. 96), Capt. Milloy, \$180. Mina (June 97), Alex. Smith, Maple Lodge, \$155. Mina 2nd (May 96), W. D. Platt, \$205. Golden Drop (Nov. 93), W. S. Carpenter, \$150. Golden Drop 2nd (May 93), J. T. Gibson, Denfield, \$115. Golden Drop 3rd (Dec. 93), W. S. Carpenter, \$100. Cleopatra 1st, imp. (Mar. 87), James Tolson, Walkerton, \$155. Cleopatra 4th (Sept. 93), Capt. Milloy, \$120. Ury Anne 2nd (April, 93), W. D. Platt, \$180. Ury Anne 3rd (Feb. 97), J. McKenzie, Chatsworth, \$100. Broken Horn (Feb. 85), McGregor Bros., \$280. Saxon Beauty (Jan. 93), Hornsby Bros., \$280. Larkspur (Nov. 94), James Thompson, Belton, \$175. Ribbons Roan (Oct. 97), Henry Hardy, Strathroy, \$75. Myrie (Jan. 95), F. W. Scott, Highgate, \$90. Mistletoe 8th (May, 93), McGregor Bros., \$115. Mistletoe 10th (April, 93), F. W. Scott, \$50. Buchanan, Lassie's Gem (Nov. 93), John McEvoy, Balam, \$130. Roan Braclet (Mch. 93), W. G. Pettit, \$70.

Bulls: Blue Ribbon, imp. (Mar. 93), J. G. Robson, \$120. Angelo Saxon (Oct. 93), J. Devar, \$80. Major Hill (July, 97), J. Charlton, \$50. Queen's Jubilee (Jan. 97), Alex. Smith, \$95. Nelson Duon (Dec. 96), Alex. Smith, \$100.

The total proceeds of the sale amounted to \$5,755, making an average per head of \$140. The average per head for females was \$152, and the average per head for males was \$110. A good many breeders went away from the sale feeling as though they were worth a little more money.

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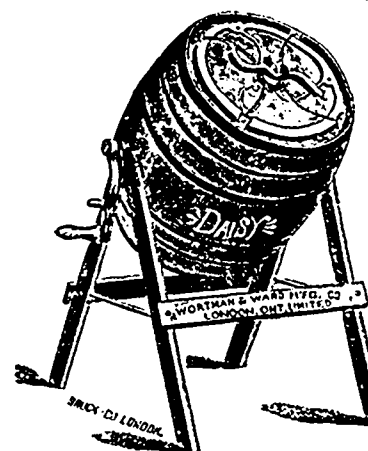
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