

Studs, Herds and Flocks.

RIVERVIEW FARM.

This farm, owned by Mr. H. I. Elliott, is beautifully situated about a mile and a-half from the village of Danville, on the banks of the Nicolet River, which also furnishes power for Mr. Elliott's saw-mills. This gentleman is a comparatively new breeder, but has started on right lines, having secured his foundation stock from such a well-known breeder as Mr. Arthur Johnston, of Greenwood. These animals are all of the Cruickshank and Campbell breeding, and a number belong to the Nonpareil family. He has never had the time to visit any of the larger exhibitions, but has been very successful at all the shows in the Eastern Townships, such as Richmond and Sherbrooke. The animals in the herd are either imported or from imported sires and dams. It is headed by the imported bull King James, bred by representatives of the late Mr. S. Campbell, Kinellar, Scotland. This bull won first prize as calf at the Royal Northern Show before he left Scotland. Another good animal is Mimosa, by Stockwell, bred by Geo. Bruce, Heatherwick, Scotland. This cow is a beautiful roan, and is a capital milker. She won the second prize at the Royal Northern Show of Scotland. She has a heifer calf got by Sittytton Yet. Another good show animal is an imported yearling heifer, Rosella, also bred by Geo. Bruce, Heatherwick. Others are the Thirty-sixth Duchess of Gloucester, got by Indian Chief, now at the head of the Greenwood herd, one of the best breeding bulls in America; dam Thirty-fourth Duchess of Gloucester, imported, she by Dunblane. Clara is a roan of the celebrated Claret tribe; she is also by Indian Chief, and from imported Clara. Lovely Belle is a very promising heifer, got by Lowland Chief, son of Indian Chief; dam imported Lovely, bred by A. Cruickshanks. We also noticed a pair of bull calves, one by Indian Chief out of Nonpareil Countess, the other by Simcoe Chief, son of Indian Chief. Mr. Elliott has also added to his pure-bred stock business the breeding of Yorkshire swine, having obtained his first animals from the Isleigh Grange herd.

Mr. C. C. Cleveland, M. P., is stocking his farm with a herd of Shorthorns, having bought a number from S. Pearson, of Meadowvale, and Arthur Johnston, of Greenwood, among others Wimple of Trafalgar, whose illustration appeared in a late issue of this paper.

About two miles above Sherbrooke, further up the valley of the St. Francis, is the farm of W. H. Hale, who is already well-known to our readers. This gentleman is doing, as he says, what Prof. Robertson said any man is a fool to do—"selling hay," but in this case Mr. Hale thinks he is pursuing a wise course, as much of his land is hilly and hard to work. He can sell his hay the year round for a good price, and get all the manure he wants in the town. He believes that to be successful a farmer must specialize in some department, and his specialties are hay and asparagus. He has one asparagus bed older than himself, it having been planted in 1832, and is still giving good crops. He ships the asparagus to Montreal, Quebec, and some American cities. He sets the plants three by four feet apart. He is trying to weed out the female plants, as they exhaust themselves bearing seed, and will not give either as early or as strong shoots as the male plant. Judging from the plots examined, this experiment will be very successful. Besides this, he grows a considerable quantity of small fruits and garden truck and flowers, which he ships to Montreal. He has also been carrying on extensive experiments with strawberries, grasses and clovers, an account of which our readers will shortly have the pleasure of reading, as he has promised to send us a full report of this work.

While in Sherbrooke, we visited the training establishment of Dussault & French. They have a large number of horses in training, among which are Boston Globe, chestnut stallion, rec. 2.28½, by Red Wilkes; Lord Edgerton, bay stallion (full brother to Bessie P.), rec. 2.29½, by Lumps, 2.21. They also have a number of colts, two and three years old, in training, by Boston Globe; can all show from a three-minute to 2.40 gait—one, a three-year-old pacer, can show halves at a 2.25 clip. Boston Globe is now being trained, and is showing fast; should trot in 2.20 this fall. Lord Edgerton is also being trained, and should trot in 2.30 this fall.

ELMWOOD STOCK FARM.

At Lennoxville, a few miles farther east of Sherbrooke, we find the breeding establishment of Mr. John Shuter, where we find his stud of trotting horses, gentleman's roadsters and Clydesdales. Lennoxville is prettily situated at the junction of the Mississippi and the St. Francis rivers. Elmwood farm is just in the outskirts of the town, and comprises one hundred and fifty acres on the west bank of the Mississippi. At the head of the stud stands Dodger, record 2.24, over a half-mile track, sire Arminius, he by Ravellar; dam City Girl. He began as a green horse six years old, started in fifteen races and won ten firsts, three seconds, and a third, and a fourth, and for the first time in history brought the Vermont State record into Canada. So far this season he has only entered in one race, that at Farnum, P. Q., where he beat Factory Boy in three heats. Dodger will make a fall season after the trotting is over. Groveland, sired by Alexander, record 2.20½, he by Alcantara, record 2.23; dam Grievous, by Waukegen. Chief Woger is a half-brother of

Dodger. He is a bay stallion with black points, foaled June 1891, sired by Boston Globe, he by Red Wilkes; dam City Girl. He is well broken, a sure trotter, and very speedy. Others are Dolly Varden, a bay mare, a full sister. There are fifteen others, all standard-bred in fashionable lines, and from such sires as Boston Globe, Arminius and Red Mac. Sir Hector heads the Clydesdale stud. He was bred by John Shuter; sire Fairwin, dam Jessie, late Reggie. Others are Dolly Bee, by Balmoral Margrette, a four-year-old bay filly by Prince of Hallin, Sally Dawson, and a number of others. Breeders from the west who are in search of well-bred horse flesh should take a trip through the eastern part of Canada, and we feel sure they will be well repaid for their trouble.

GLENBURN STOCK FARM.

About four and a-half miles from Lennoxville Mr. John Racey is breeding Scotch Shorthorns and Berkshires. The foundation of his herd of Shorthorns was obtained from such breeders as Green Bros., Innerkip, J. C. Snell, Edmonton, and John Miller. His stock bull Strathroy, out of a Strathallan cow, was a prize-winner at Toronto in the calf class, and has proved himself an excellent stock getter. Duchess of Halton 5th, got by Red-path Prince, he by the Scottish imported bull Prince Cannymann, of noted prize-winning stock. Mr. Racey does not believe in over-feeding his animals for the sake of show, but rather in keeping them in good breeding condition. In swine Mr. Racey is aiming to produce a pig suitable for the bacon market, and thinks the best results can be obtained from breeding Berkshires. He finds the demand for his Berkshires so great that he can with difficulty keep up to it.

WOODSIDE FARM.

About a mile from Cookshire is the farm of Col. J. H. Taylor, where is kept a small but select herd of Shorthorns.

J. F. Learned, of the same place, is breeding Cleveland Bays and Shorthorns. The Shorthorn foundation stock came from Green Bros., Innerkip. The Cookshire agricultural buildings and grounds are situated on this farm.

HILLHURST HACKNEYS.

The stud is owned by Senator M. H. Cochrane, located on Hillhurst Farm, two miles from Hillhurst Station and four from Compton. This stud is believed to be the oldest in Canada or the United States. He has lately made a fresh importation of eight animals, comprising the yearling filly Camie, by Danegelt, out of Lady Millington, by Star of the East, bred by Mr. Robert Pringle, of Rillington, which won second as a foal at Melbourne, and first at Shipworth. Vina, a brown mare, half-sister to the above, got by Wildfire, was first at Melbourne in the three-year-old class, winner of first at Pocklington, and highly commended at London. Cannymaid is a dark chestnut yearling, got by Cannymann, dam by Lord Derby 2nd. Another is Miss Baker, a four-year-old mare, rich brown in color, by Ruby, son of Confessor. She was highly commended at London last year. She is in foal to Agility. Thus it will be seen that this importation includes the best that could be obtained in the Old Land, and will add fresh laurels to the crown of the already celebrated Hillhurst Hackneys.

COMPTON KENNELS.

Mr. F. S. Wetherald, proprietor of the Oriental Hotel, Compton, takes a great interest in pure-bred stock, and has a small but select herd of Jerseys, as well as a flock of registered Shropshires, and has been quite successful at the Eastern Township shows. He also is a great lover of dogs, and has a number of pure-bred Scotch and Irish terriers and wire-head fox terriers.

G. W. Fuller, Capelton, is breeding Shropshires. His first were obtained principally from the flocks of John Dryden and Robert Miller.

GLENHOLM STOCK FARM.

This fine farm of four hundred acres is owned by W. P. McClary, and is situated in the rich valley of Coaticook, about a mile from Compton village. It is an especially good grazing and hay farm, about two hundred and fifty acres being in pasture. Mr. McClary does a large amount of grazing, and ships direct to the Old Country. Part of the best land is overflowed annually by the river, and this gives enormous crops of hay, and though he has only lately taken up the breeding of pure-bred stock he has been very successful at the different local shows. The stock, which was obtained principally from Messrs. Green Bros., Innerkip, is headed by the stock bull Duke of Halton, got by Prince Hazelwood 29, dam Duchess of Roseberry; was bred by W. S. Campbell, Brantford. In the field were Venetia 2nd, got by Earl of Mar, dam (imp.) Vain Maid, bred by Green Bros.; Venetia 5th, a full sister to the above, and Peggoty, by Lord Lochinavar, and others.

INGLESIDE FARM.

Is the property of Mr. H. D. Smith, and comprises about fourteen hundred acres, situated about a mile from Compton village. There are about seven hundred acres in pasture and two hundred in hay, and about ninety under the plow, besides about ten of corn and ten of roots. This enthusiastic young farmer is just building himself a palatial residence, which commands the view of the surrounding country for miles, and in one direction the view extends for one hundred miles into New Hampshire.

He has splendid accommodation for his stock, and one stable, which is called the school stable, has a space one hundred and fifty-two feet by thirty-six feet, which is used as a riding school and place for exercising horses. In this stable were his pair of Coach horses, one of which is a half-sister to Ontario, the noted jumper. He has four telephones on the farm, so that while working in his office he can be in direct communication with every department of the farm.

At the time of our visit the cattle were all out at pasture, with the exception of the seven that were destined for Chicago, headed by Mr. Smith's renowned medal bull of Canada, Young Tushingham 2nd (32308). This bull won sweepstakes whenever shown in Canada. He was got by Tushingham; dam, Formosa. Lady Tushingham 3rd, got by Lord Tushingham, and out of Lady Wintercott, took first at Montreal and second at Toronto and Ottawa, is a three-year-old, and has just received fourth premium at Chicago. Spot 3rd is a two-year-old, sired by Anxiety, out of Sylva. This heifer was also a prize winner last fall, and obtained a premium at Chicago. The others which were sent to Chicago were two yearling heifers, Cherry 25th and Josephine, and a cow, Amy 3rd. These were all successful in winning premiums. This herd of twenty-nine pure-bred Herefords are all from prize winners, and the most desirable blood of Horace, Anxiety, The Grove and Bredwardine. He also has a herd of choice Jerseys, which he intends enlarging and going more largely into dairying. Of horses, there were twenty-six horses and seven colts. The Clydes are all of the Prince of Wales and Darnley strains.

MAPLE RIDGE SOUTHDOWNS.

This farm, the property of Guy Carr, Complin Station, is so named from his large maple grove, numbering about twenty-five thousand. He is breeding Southdown and Shropshire sheep, registered Canadian cattle, and Plymouth Rock and Wyandotte fowls. He considers the Canadian (Quebec Jersey) cattle a superior dairy breed, and at the same time very cheap in price. One cow, Elly Dance 191, took the prize in competition in the Dominion dairy test for highest percentage of butterfat. He is one of the first to introduce the Southdowns in the section, thinking that they were particularly adapted to the hills of this country. The foundation was principally drawn from the flocks of Robert Shaw, of Glanford. His Southdowns are very uniform in type, and are headed by the ram Sir John 5352, in American Southdown Record. All but a few are registered in this Record, and the remainder are registered in the Quebec Register.

Mr. Carr is a very enterprising young man. He has just set out five acres of Russian apples, which, in spite of the predictions of his neighbors, have done exceedingly well, and are just coming into bearing; and a number of farmers are changing their minds, and are following his example and setting out trees. He studies convenience in every form. His side-hill sugar-house is a specimen of this, and is very convenient; no handling of sap required. At this place we saw the most complete workshop seen anywhere during the trip; in fact, very few blacksmiths have a more complete kit. He also puts them to practical use, as he has done all his own blacksmithing for the last three years.

BLACKWELL & McCALLUM

are the owners of two adjoining farms about a mile from Martintown post office, five from Apple Hill, C. P. R., and eleven from Lancaster, G. T. R. This farm is situated in the valley of the Aux Basin and in the midst of a splendid dairy section, where every farmer makes as much provision for his silo as he would for a granary. On these farms the milk is sent to a cheese factory in the summer, and in the winter is made into butter at home. The cows are principally Durham grades, and for some years they have been using an Ayrshire bull with good results. On the one farm Mr. Blackwell is building a new barn 4x80 feet. He has what is a rather new feature—a driveway down the side of the barn as well as across the end of the building. This gives the advantage of an end drive without the waste of room or trouble with scaffolding. They have about thirty Shropshires, a number being imported. The ram being used at present is from the flock of the Hon. John Dryden. They have found sales exceedingly good, and have shipped a number lately to Mr. Cummings, Carmon, Mass. Though these are comparatively new breeders, they cleared all the local shows in that district. They are also breeding Yorkshires, having secured their stock from Smith Bros., Churchville.

MR. R. R. SANGSTER'S SHORTHORNS.

About half way between the last farm and Lancaster is the silver medal farm of the eastern district of twelve counties, named Springburn Stock Farm, on which are found a herd of Shorthorns of the Cruickshank and Campbell breeding, and a flock of Shropshires. The foundation of this herd came from the stock of Mr. Thompson, of Whitby. He is using an imported bull. This herd has been very successful at the local exhibitions, and also at Ottawa, while a number of animals are being fitted for Montreal. At present his herd is small, having been reduced by a large draft which was sent to Manitoba, though he still has a couple of young bulls on hand. The herd is headed by the bull Peer of the Realm, out of an imported Wimple cow. Among the females are Fanny B. 30th, a beautiful three-year-old heifer bred by Jos. Redmond.