

Philadelphia, and other horse shows in the East. It is truly believed that a good representative exhibit of Clydesdales and other breeds, which would naturally be made in the event of such a classification being provided, with reasonable prizes, would not only be beneficial to those breeds but would also prove a decided attraction to such horse shows. It is recommended that this Association make a formal request of the managers of the principal Eastern shows to provide a classification for Clydesdales during 1896.

**Preference for Clydesdales.**—In conversation with several large lumber merchants and owners of pine lands in Northern Michigan, Wisconsin, and Minnesota, during the past year, your Secretary was struck at the unanimity with which they all pronounced their strong preference for Clydesdales over all other draught breeds. They not only claimed for them better dispositions, but superior strength, a lengthier, more elastic stride, and very much more endurance. A well-known Michigan man wrote, on November 4th, as follows:—"I have stopped breeding two year olds. The Clydesdale horse, for business, is my choice against the world, and we are working four heavy teams, and have another four coming into the harness, of our own breeding. We found we could breed faster than we could wear them out, and therefore stopped."

**Good Demand for Heavy Teams.**—In spite of the prevalent low prices for nearly all kinds of horses and other farm stock, good heavy draught geldings, combining substance and quality, of suitable age, and weighing from 1,600 upwards, are in active demand, and commanding good prices. Your Secretary saw a pair of grade Clydesdales at the Toronto Fair, in September, for which \$500 cash had been refused, and the buyer expressed his willingness to pay a higher price if the owner would part with them. Although they were admittedly an extra grand pair of geldings, there is nothing to prevent any of our breeders producing horses of equal value, provided they use the best material and give their colts generous treatment and attention while young. There has never been a time when strictly first-class draught geldings would not command a profitable price over the cost of production, and it behooves all breeders, at the present time especially, to keep their standard of excellence at the highest possible notch. The greatly curtailed breeding of draught horses during the last few years is certain to cause a shortage of the supply and a corresponding advance in value within two years from now, and those who have the good fortune to own young, well-bred stock, as an available position, and will consult their own interests by neither stunting them with short rations nor throwing them away at the unduly depressed prices now current.

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## STOCK GOSSIP.

**MESSRS. FOREMAN'S YORKSHIRES, TAMWORTHS AND AYLESHIRE.**

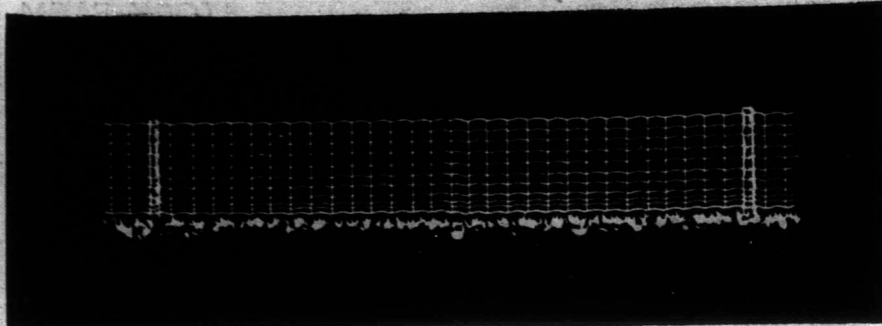
We recently had the pleasure of calling on Messrs. A. & H. Foreman, of Collingwood, whose stock farm is situated a couple of miles from the town, in a good agricultural and fruit district. Although engaged in an extensive mercantile business, considerable attention is devoted to the breeding of the above mentioned stock and fruit growing. The Ayrshires are of the choicest breeding, and were purchased from leading breeders. They are now offering for sale one of their stock bulls, a choicely bred animal that will no doubt go quickly, as good bulls of the Ayrshire breed are ready sellers, and all dairymen, as well as breeders, should be very careful in selecting bulls to head their herd, and will find it to their advantage always to select well-bred animals and of good milking strains. In Heather Jock 1212, Messrs. Foreman offer a bull of excellent breeding. He was bred by Mr. David Morton, of Hamilton, and was sired by Imp. Royal Chief (1614), while he had for his dam Imp. Primrose (5607), by Prince Charlie of Dunlop (559); Primrose was a winner in the milk test at Toronto in 1891.

The Yorkshire herd was founded from the celebrated herd of Mr. J. E. Breton, of Burford, and contains some good specimens. A number of fine young sows were seen about eight months old, which it will be noticed they are offering for sale in our advertising columns, and which will be shipped to order at very low prices.

The Tamworths have but recently been added to the stock, and were purchased from the well-known breeder, Jas. Bell, of Amber, Ont. Parties wanting any of the above stock might find it to their advantage to correspond with these gentlemen.

## THE MAPLE CITY HERD OF JERSEYS

are only few in number as yet, but it is the intention of the owner, Wm. W. Everett, of Chatham, to increase the present stock, and in the near future, no doubt, we will hear favorable reports of the Maple City herd. Massena's Son 17008, A. J. C. C., stands at the head of the herd. He was purchased from Mrs. Jones, Brockville, and is of a grand lineage and has typical conformation. The performance of his dam in milk and butter production shows his breeding to be of the right sort, as she has a record of 3,009 lbs. 6 ozs. of milk in one year and fifteen days, which produced 302 lbs. 3 ozs. of butter. We also saw a fine yearling bull—now offered for sale—a son of Massena's Son and from Croton's Twinkle 3rd 91692, who has tested six per cent. of butter-fat. Croton's Twinkle was sired by Orbelto St. Helier 33012, her dam being Croton's Twinkle 2008. Charity of Glen Rouge 10320 is a fine two-year-old, bred by Wm. Rolph, Markham, Ont. She was sired by the grand stock bull One Hundred Per Cent. 16336, and from Cheerful of St. Lambert 2nd 3745. Charity of Glen Rouge is a beautiful fawn with dark markings, and should prove a valuable acquisition to the Maple City herd. A small herd of reg. Berkshires is also kept. They are of Geo. Green's stock, of Fairview, and are headed by a large, strong-boned boar—Pride of Kent—3428, sired by Prince of Perth—1363, his dam being Model Sally—2219—by Croton's Prince—1127—and tracing to Imp. stock. The sows comprise: Lady Helen—3265—by Sir William—1577—dam Molly—2244—Miss Black—3470—bred by D. A. Graham, Parkhill; sire Major Black—2560—dam Miss Major—3459—Highland Mary—3640—by Prince of Perth—1363—dam Lady Helen—3265—by Sir William.



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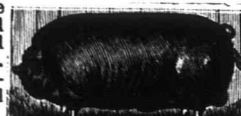
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