

PEDIGREES OF SHORT HORN CATTLE.

We have received from the Honorable Adam Fergusson the following account of Durham Stock recently bred by himself. As the facts are arranged under distinct heads, a form so convenient for reference, and comprising within a small compass all that appears essentially necessary for collecting materials for a Canadian Herd Book, we publish the list entire that others may adopt the same, or a similar arrangement. We again call the attention of parties that may send in lists of pedigrees to the necessity of writing them in a *very plain hand*, and to be particular in the spelling of *proper names*; some of which, in the pedigrees of two or three horses recently received, we cannot possibly make out. It is superfluous to urge upon the breeders of Stock the importance of having a Provincial list of pedigrees, to which easy reference can be had by the public; and as soon as sufficient materials are collected the same might be published in pamphlet form. Stricter attention for the future, will no doubt be given to the question of *pedigrees* at our Provincial Exhibitions, in case of all stock purporting to be of pure breed; and it would be well for agricultural writers generally, to be more particular in regard to this matter, than, we believe is usually the case. Whatever difference of opinion may exist as to which is the best breed of cattle generally adapted to the climate, pastures and wants of this country,—a matter by the bye attended with almost insuperable difficulties in its solution,—it must be obvious to all that the introduction and perpetuation of the *best blood* of the various improved breeds is a thing of vital importance to the agricultural prosperity of this young country:—

BULLS BRED BY HONORABLE ADAM FERGUSSON, CANADA WEST.

<i>Date of Birth.</i>	<i>Name.</i>	<i>Colour.</i>	<i>Sire.</i>	<i>Dam.</i>	<i>Remarks.</i>
April 6, 1845.	Fergus,	Red & W'te,	Wellington,	Pansey,	For pedigrees of Sire and Dam, see American Herd Book, sold to John Harland, Esq., Guelph.
May 4, 1846.	Althorpe,	Roan,	Symmetry,	Nonpareil,	Sold to E. and W Gwillimbury Society. For pedigrees of Sire and Dam, see A. Herd Book.
June 10, 1847.	Durham,	Roan,	Duke of Wellington,	Nonpareil,	Sold to Adelaide Society. For pedigrees, see A. Herd Book.
May 27, 1848.	Whcatear,	Red,	Howitt's Y'ng Bull	Nonpareil,	Gave his name from seeing Wheat in ear the day he was calved. Mr. Howitt's Young Bull was bred by Mr. Vail, Troy. Sire Meteor, Dam Hilpa. See A. Herd Book. Whcatear, was sold to Woodstock Society.
June 27, 1848.	Favorite,	Roan,	Althorpe,	Pansey,	Sold to Woodstock Society. For pedigrees of Dam, see A. Herd Book.
May 21, 1840.	Bruce,	Red & W'te,	Durham,	Pansey,	Gave him to Owen Sound Society.
June 12, 1851.	Kossuth,	Roan,	Halton,	Victoria,	Halton was purchased from Mr Vail, and bred by him. Sire Meteor, Dam Lady Barrington, see A. Herd Book. He was owned by John Wetenhall, Esq., and at his death became, by purchase, the sole property of A. Fergusson, who sold him for a large price to Mr. Chapman, Madison, Co., New York. Halton, when sold to Mr. C., was 3 years old. For pedigree of Victoria, see A. Herd Book.