

GOSSIP.

Mr. Thos. A. Sharpe, Superintendent of the British Columbia Experiment Farm, in renewing his subscription, says: "Let me add that the FARMER'S ADVOCATE continues to grow more valuable with every issue."

Capt. Young, of Tapperville, Ont., makes a change in his advertisement for this issue, offering a few extra good Poland-China boars. His Jerseys are doing well, including Reulah Pops' 15101 heifer calf dropped on Christmas Eve.

John Miller, Markham, Ont., writes:—"Will you be kind enough to change my advertisement from bulls to seed oats." I have sold all my bulls but one. I have sold six bulls and two heifers. I never saw so much demand so early in the season."

Walter I. Twiddle, Wentworth Co., Ont.:—"I would rather have the FARMER'S ADVOCATE than half a dozen other papers. We would not think of trying to farm without the ADVOCATE. My brother says the last number ought to make a man rich."

W. R. Smith, Huron Co., Ont., writes:—"The different opinion in regard to growing and fattening cattle (Jan. 15th and Feb. 1st issues) is a grand feature to all interested in that line. Excuse my delay in renewing. Wishing you continued success with your excellent paper."

Mr. A. McLean Howard, Jr., Toronto, has sold to Mr. Walter St. Hart Massey, of the Massey Manufacturing Co., a nice selection of ten head from his Glen Duart herd of Jerseys. Mr. Massey recently secured a fine farm adjoining Mr. Howard's, of which he intends to make a model one in respect to cattle, implements, and general management. He has named it "Dentonia Park Farm." Mr. Howard has also sold one bull and one female to Georgina Hastings, Deer Park, Ont., and two females to Mr. Clay, Toronto.

W. G. Pettit, of Freeman, Ont., writes under date of Feb. 10th:—"My Shorthorns were never in better shape. The eight young bulls advertised in this issue are all short-legged, thick, fleshy fellows. My cows and heifers are all in fine condition and milking heavy. I have sold all the breeding ewes I had for sale at good prices and have an excellent lot of ewe lambs for next year's trade. The demand for rams was not as good as usual last fall, but expect to see an improvement next fall. I intend giving some better records of Shorthorn cows next month."

Mr. H. K. Fairbairn, Rose Cottage Stock Farm, Thedford, Ont., writes:—"Our Shorthorns are doing nicely. The calves dropped since the fair are five heifers and one bull. The dam of the red bull calf shown at Toronto and London produced an exceedingly fine heifer calf in October, equally as promising as her full brother which I retained for a stock bull. This calf is now safe in calf to Mr. Nicholson's 'Indian Brave,' from which we look for something good. The herd now numbers twenty head. We have three young bulls for sale—good ones. Our stock bull has done extra well since we finished showing. He is developing into a massive animal, with robust constitution and good feeding qualities. We sold a full brother of this bull at Toronto Fair, 1895, to Mr. John Thom, Meaford, Ont. We have a Shorthorn cow milking 46 pounds per day. We have sold eight head since November and have a few good ones yet for sale."

NOTICES.

The Hamilton Business College celebrated its fourteenth anniversary by a banquet recently attended by between 75 and 100 students and ex-students of that excellent commercial institution. Mr. J. T. Middleton, M. P.; Mr. W. A. Robinson, President of the Board of Trade; Mr. W. A. Phillips, Principal of the St. Thomas Business College; Rev. H. G. Miller, Mr. Alex. Muir, B. A., Toronto; Mr. Spencer Howell, and other prominent persons were present and delivered addresses. President C. R. McCullough occupied the chair.

Simmers' General Annual Seed Catalogue for 1897 is as well if not better gotten out than any of its predecessors. The representations and descriptions of the various vegetables, flowers, and other crops are true to nature, not being overdrawn as in many seed annuals sent out to beguile the unwary into preferring the goods thus advertised. We notice that \$90 in cash are offered in prize competitions as follows: \$30 divided into \$10, \$5, \$5, \$4, \$3, and \$3 for three heaviest specimens of Simmers' Improved Giant Short White Vexes Carrot; also \$30 in six similar prizes for Simmers' Mammoth Prize Pumpkin, and \$30 similarly divided for Simmers' German Brunswick Cabbage. Among the novelties and specialties offered are Rodgers' Lima Wax Bean, Simmers' Extra Early Beet, Gilt Edged Cauliflower, New Imperial Tomato, Matchless Flat Dutch Cabbage, Sweet Corn ("First of All") and others which this catalogue will indicate. It can be secured for a post-card addressed to J. A. Simmers, 147 to 151 King St. East, Toronto, Ont.

The Mann Manufacturing Co., Ltd., of Brookville, Ont., whose advertisement appears in each issue of the ADVOCATE, are turning out a line of cultivators, discs, harrows, and seeders which are bound to grow in favor with farmers wherever they are known. Their "Giant" sectional steel cultivator, with or without seeder attachment, has many advantages over ordinary spring-tooth cultivators, having strong steel frame, in least number of parts, improved pressure device and light draft. To show its superiority in regard to its taking hold of the ground, it is only necessary to state that this cultivator has been largely used by corporations to loosen the ground for road making and grading, and it is claimed that even "macadam" has been torn up by the use of the "Giant" cultivator. Their "Giant" steel disc harrow, with steel beam, ball bearings, chilled boxes, and best tempered, rolled edge discs, gives great satisfaction, combining strength and efficiency with lightness of draft and durability. The solid steel Diamond harrow, in three or more sections, fills the bill for a strong, moderately light and thorough working pulverizer, and at a price to suit the times. This Company has been doing business for many years and is growing in favor with the farmers all over the Dominion, being reliable and straightforward in their dealings.

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Shorthorn Cattle, Poland-China, Duroc-Jersey, and Chester White Swine, and Leicester Sheep. We now offer for sale five good young bulls, and also heifers of choice quality and breeding, sired by Chief Captain, a son of Indian Chief. Young pigs of both sexes and all ages at exceedingly low prices.

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In writing to advertisers, please mention the Farmer's Advocate.

We direct attention to the announcement in our advertisement columns of a public sale on Thursday, March 25th, of Shorthorn bulls and females from the herds of Messrs. J. S. Smith, Maple Lodge, and H. & W. Smith, Hay, Ont. These gentlemen are widely known as progressive and up-to-date breeders and feeders, and their public sales have always been characterized by fairness and honorable dealing. Read their advertisement and send for catalogue.

MESSRS. HUNT & COLTER'S CLYDESDALES.

In the January 1st issue of the FARMER'S ADVOCATE we took occasion to refer to the breeding of Messrs. Hunt & Colter's (Brantford, Ont.) importation of Clydesdale stallions elsewhere advertised in our columns. We have since then had an opportunity of examining them, and found them to be an excellent lot, quite in keeping with their excellent pedigrees. They are, without exception, a robust, round-bodied, deep and long-quartered lot, exhibiting typical Clydesdale character in every particular. Their quality of limb, feather, and action are of the sort that suits the showing ring. While it is not easy to particularize, we cannot refrain from referring to MacClinker 6762, sired by Macgregor, and out of Madge of Airlie. He is indeed hard to surpass in conformation, sweetness, and action. His width and depth of chest; his length, depth and fullness of quarter; his reticulation of form and depth of rib seem faultless, while his underpinning possesses that firmness and quality that pleases the eye of the Scottish Clydesdale critic. His pasterns, feet, and action are at once pleasing and faultless. The entire lot are in excellent stud condition, being healthy, robust and vigorous—a credit to the groom in charge. These horses are comfortably stabled at the Queen's Hotel, Brantford, where they can be seen at any time.

MICHIGAN OXFORD DOWN SHEEP BREEDERS.

At Flint, Mich., on February 2nd, it was decided to organize a Michigan State Oxford Down Sheep Breeders' Association. All applicants for membership must be members of the American Oxford Down Record Association. The time for receiving charter members was extended to Sept. 1st, 1897, when it will close. The membership fee was fixed at two dollars for all charter members, and the regular membership fee after Sept. 1st, 1897, shall be five dollars. A person eligible to become a member of the Association on or before Sept. 1st, 1897, must be the owner of seven or more registered Oxford Down sheep, and to be eligible to become a member after Sept. 1st, 1897, must be the owner of ten or more. The officers of this Association are members ex-officio of the Board of Directors.

The following officers were elected:—President, H. J. DeGarmo, Highland; Vice-President, W. J. Murphy, Cass City; Secretary, B. F. Miller, Flint; Treasurer, W. A. Atwood, Flint. Board of Directors—L. N. Olmsted, Muir; W. J. Webber, Reese; Ed. S. Lee, Flint; N. D. McNeil, Grand Blanc; and R. L. Frary, Nottawa.

The next meeting of the State Association will be held in Flint the same date as that of the A. O. D. R. A., and on the second Tuesday in January, 1898, if agreeable to the A. O. D. R. A. It was decided that there be no dues the current year of the application, but for each year thereafter there shall be one dollar annual dues. No meeting of the Board of Directors shall be legal unless called by the Secretary of this Association, who shall notify each member of the Board of the time and place of said meeting, giving notice of expected business. Any three or more members of the Board of Directors, including the Secretary, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of the business of this Association. The Board of Directors was empowered to draw up the by-laws from time to time, as they may deem necessary.

H. BENNETT & SONS' (ST. WILLIAMS) BERKSHIRES.

First among the sows to be noticed in the breeding pens is Flora Stewart, sired by Star One (3071) (imp.), dam Coquette 2786, bred by J. G. Snell. This sow took first prize in Toronto, 1894, under six months. She is a good sow, with fine head and ears, with excellent markings, and a good coat of hair. Lady Bennett, the next sow, is the flower of the company. She was lately purchased by us from J. G. Snell. She was first in Toronto (1896) in her class. All who saw her will remember what a long-bodied sow she was, with capital head and ears and lots of muscle. She is in pig to Mr. Snell's Imp. Victor XII. Next comes Finish L. and Bennett's Choice, two grand sows, the former a long-bodied sow with good head, lots of hair and bone. She is in pig to Chieftain. Besides the sows mentioned above there are four other good sows in the pens. Coming to the stock boars, mention will first be made of Xer Xes (3949), a great show hog; a never-beaten winner at all the local fairs. His brother took first at Toronto (1896) as yearling. He has lately been sold to Messrs. Gregg & Sons to head their herd. Another good young boar is Flying Jib "4222," sired by Xer Xes. This boar is the making of a fine hog and will be parted with. This boar won six firsts and two seconds in 1896. Next comes Monarch, a yearling, claimed by Messrs. Bennett to be one of the best boars in Canada. This boar was lately added to the herd. He is a very large pig, with great hind quarters, very long-bodied, with a capital head and lots of bone. He should bring some good stock and is thought very highly of by his present owners. Two other good boars have been used in the herd the past season—Chieftain and Carholme Lad. These are two good boars and carry great blood, as some of their get amply testify. Any one requiring anything extra good in the Berkshire line should communicate with or visit the above firm.

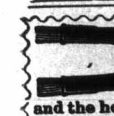
Besides the Berkshires they have a capital lot of B. P. Rock fowls, most of which are either imported or from imp. stock. They have three good strains, Hawkins, Shoemaker, and Eckardt. Their pens are headed by three grand cockerels, two of which are imported. They intend furnishing eggs at such a price that farmers generally may invest in these profitable fowls. Their pullets are laying well now through all the cold. "Give us your order, we do the rest" is their motto.

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