

A New Stock Book.

"The New Pictorial Cyclopedia of Live Stock and Complete Stock Doctor" is the title of a new book which has just been launched by The World Publishing Company, of Guelph, Ontario. This well-known and enterprising firm has such a high reputation that the public will naturally look for something good, and a careful examination of the book in question confirms the belief that there will be no disappointment. The book is ambitious in its scope, and represents the efforts of both American and Canadian writers. It contains over 1,400 pages and is profusely illustrated.

It would take too much space to review the book fully, but a general idea of its character may be obtained by merely giving the headings of the thirteen different parts into which the subject matter is divided.

Part 1 treats of "The Horse—history, management and characteristics of the Various Breeds." This division contains many practical hints and directions on nearly all matters pertaining to the horse, including an excellent description, with illustrations, of the outward appearance of the horse as indicating value.

Part 2 deals with the diseases of the horse. It is plainly written by a veterinarian of high standing, and deals with nearly every disease that horse flesh is heir to.

Part 3 is concerned with Cattle—"history, management and characteristics of Various Breeds."

Part 4 takes up the diseases of Cattle in a very full and clear manner.

Part 5, gives the history, breeds, etc., of Swine, and part 6 discusses the diseases of Swine.

Parts 7 and 8 are devoted to the Sheep, including breeds, breeding, management, diseases, etc.

Parts 9 and 10 have to do with Poultry and their diseases, while 11 and 12 have Dogs and Bees for their respective subjects.

Part 13 contains a variety of subjects, and has been added to bring the book strictly up-to-date in those departments which needed strengthening. The American Trotter; the latest regarding hog cholera; the Canadian bacon trade and the judging of bacon hogs; horse breeding; dairying and dairy buildings; and the selection of breeding stock. Poultry also finds a place in this important addition of the book. * * *

In all there are over 800 illustrations. A large number are used to illustrate symptoms and thus help in the diagnosis of diseases. There are many illustrations of animals of superior excellence covering the various classes, also illustrations of appliances, methods of feeding, &c., many dealing with Anatomy, and included among the illustrations are 11 full pages of drawings and diagrams prepared by the Dominion Government for Creameries and Cheese Factories.

There is room in this country for a good stock book which will serve as a reliable book of reference for the farmer, and the book in question seems admirably adapted for this purpose. Taken altogether, it is the best book of the kind which has come before my