

free from tuberculosis and other contagious diseases, certifying to that fact.

Again, Mr. Linton takes exception to the statement that old breeders did not hesitate to place the Duke of Northumberland ahead of any bull produced since. He gets this off as settling the question for all time: "There have been thousands of bulls his peers since his day." I will accept the above with the reservation that I prefer the statements of Messrs. W. Torr and W. Wetherell, for the reason that they formed their opinions from the animal in the flesh, and Mr. Linton from newspaper illustration. The occasion was at Warley, shortly

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A Montreal correspondent writes us that a capitalist in that city has been endeavoring to get the consent of the Dominion Minister of Agriculture to a project for the manufacture of oleomargarine and butterine in that city for export only. The idea propounded was to have the material produced under Government supervision, as are whiskey, beer, and other excisable articles. We understand, however, that the Minister of Agriculture is firm in his determination not to advise any relaxation in the Dominion law which absolutely prohibits the manufacture, either for domestic consumption or export, of this class of material. And as Hon. Sydney Fisher is himself a practical farmer, and can speak for the whole dairy trade of the Dominion, we have no doubt that his colleagues will back him up in the stand he is taking. At the present time our butter and cheese command higher prices in the British markets than do similar products made in the United States, but how much longer would this be the case were it made known to the world that we had receded from the high stand we had taken in favor of the production and marketing of nothing but the genuine article in every branch of the dairy trade? When we have attained so favorable a position in the markets of the world, it would be a backward step to reduce the production of "bogus butter" in Canada, even for export, and we are glad to learn that the Dominion Minister of Agriculture has no intention of proposing any alteration in the law prohibiting the production of oleomargarine. In taking this stand he has correctly interpreted public opinion. Canada stands for honest butter, cheese, and every other product of the farm.

We note the following editorial in that enterprising and popular religious journal, *The Christian Herald*, of New York :—

"The up-to-date farmer takes the agricultural paper, reads the editorial column, the contributors' column, the advertisements—especially the advertisements. For the world of machinery is on the move; the agricultural world also. What are the improvements in plows, harrows, planters? What is the best stock? . . . Well, the up-to-date farmer knows about them and all other farming improvements."

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SIR,—I beg to inform you that you are hereby authorized by the Minister of Agriculture for Canada to test with tuberculin cattle for shipment to that country, and to sign charts for those that are