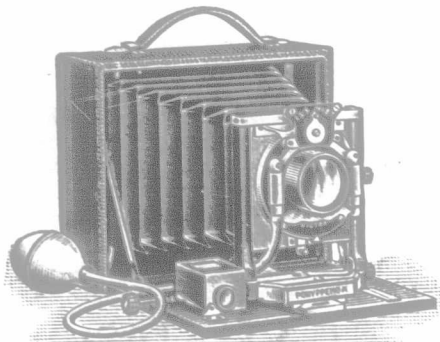


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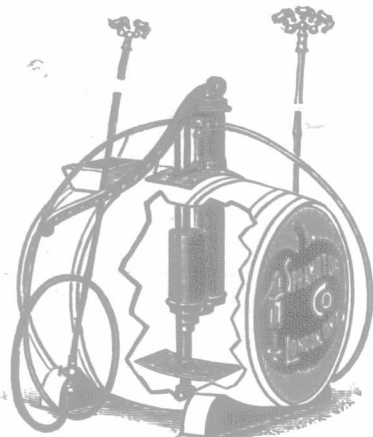
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GOSSIP.

Mr. D. Alexander, Bridgen, Ont., who advertises a few Shorthorns from his choicely-bred and thick-fleshed herd, writes:—"Our wheat is a failure, and I see no better way of making up the deficiency. I did not intend selling these females, as we are rather lightly stocked. I feel more like keeping them, as they are good and from stock that are mostly gone to the States, and giving much satisfaction."

Mr. Aaron Barber, Aron Springs, N. Y., has sold both his aged and young show herds of Shorthorns to Mr. W. A. Boland, of New York City, who has a large farm at Grass Lake, Mich., and who is ambitious to own one of the best herds of Shorthorns in America. The sale includes fifteen head, among which are the four-year-old bull Sharon Marshal, the yearling bull Deputy Marshal, and the great cow Mary Abbottsburn 7th. It is said to Mr. Boland's intention to exhibit these cattle at the coming fairs in the West this year.

More sheep are being imported from Great Britain to Canada and the United States this season than for many years past. Among the Canadian breeders who are making importations are A. W. Smith, Maple Lodge; John Campbell, Woodville; Robt. Miller, Stouffville; John Jackson, Abingdon; D. G. Hammer & Sons, Burford; A. J. Watson, Castlederg; J. H. Patrick, Ilderton. Several of these gentlemen have commissions to purchase and import for other breeders sheep of various breeds, and we learn that a number of the winners at the Royal show at Maidstone have been secured for Canadian sheep-breeders.

AN IMPORTANT SHIPMENT OF SHORTHORNS.

Last month Mr. William Conley made selections from several prominent Canadian herds of Shorthorns for Mr. Andrew Chrystal, of Marshall, Mich., and carried away one of the best consignments of cattle that has left Canada in recent years. From J. & W. Russell, of Richmond Hill, who worthily won high honors at the World's Fair in Chicago, capturing the sweepstakes for best young herd and championship for best bull of any beef breed under two years old, was purchased three capital heifers, one of which, Queen Mary 3rd, a two-year-old, was sired by Scarlet Velvet, who was from the same imported dam as Aberdeen, winner of first prize at Toronto Industrial Exhibition two years in succession. Her dam, Queen Mary, was one of the first prize herds at Chicago, of four animals under four years old, the got of one sire, and her grandam, imp. Roan Princess, was a first prize winner in Scotland. She was full sister to Lord Stanley, that headed three first-prize herds at Chicago, and won three firsts himself singly. Fair Queen is another two-year-old from the same herd and by the same sire, dam by Prince Royal, who was two years first in his class at Toronto, and headed the first herd in 1882. Gipsy Queen 2nd, by Prince, another young cow from the Russell herd, was got by Prince, who sired a heifer which was sold to Mr. Miller, of Storm Lake, Iowa, for \$800, and another sold for \$400. From the herd of Mr. J. M. Gardhouse, Highfield, Mr. Conley secured the large, thick-fleshed, red two-year-old heifer, Fancy's Pride, sired by the imported Missie bull, Scottish Pride, her grand-sire being the imported Nonpareil bull, Albert, bred at Kinellar, Scotland. This heifer is in calf to the imported Duthie bull, Prime Minister. Snowflake, a roan two-year-old from the same herd, is one of the favorite Crimson Flower tribe, sired by imp. Scottish Pride, who is a son of the renowned bull, Pride of the Morning. She has for grandsire imp. Guardsman, the sire of the great show bull, St. Valentine, and for great-grand sire, imp. Albert, by the Cruickshank bull, Vermont. This heifer is also in calf to imp. Prime Minister. From Mr. Gardhouse was also secured the beautiful imported heifer calf, Mina of Highfield, a smooth, sweet, even heifer of approved type. She was sired by My Lord, a Missie bull bred by Mr. Duthie. Her dam, Mina Gladstone's Rose, bred by the representatives of S. Campbell, Kinellar, Scotland, and sired by Emancipation, was a prizewinner in Scotland in 1898, and is half-sister to Mr. Platt's stock bull, Golden Fame. From the Sheriff Hutton herd of Mr. Wm. Linton, Aurora, was chosen the two-year-old heifer, Sowerby's Bride Elect 3rd, of whom her enthusiastic breeder says "she contains in her make-up more of the blood of Royal of England, Highland of Scotland, Philadelphia Centennial, Chicago Columbian, and Toronto Industrial winners than any other heifer on this continent." Sowerby's Red Lilly, from the same herd and by the same sire, Blucher, bred by Messrs. J. & W. Russell, is of another branch of the Sowerby family, is a great big grower, a good feeder, grithed seven feet the day she was two years old, and if properly treated cannot fail to make a prizewinner.

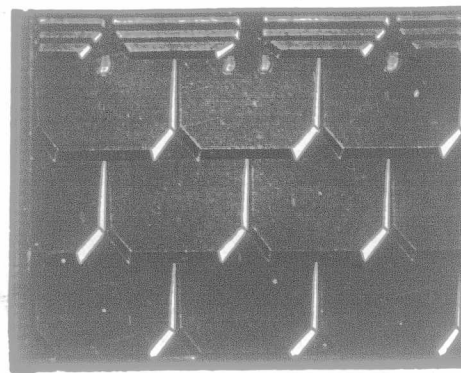
From Mr. W. D. Platt, Hamilton, was procured three females and the very promising young red bull, Golden Fame's Heir, by imp. Golden Fame, for which Mr. Platt paid \$720 when he was but thirteen months old. His dam, Violet, a handsome young cow of fine quality, was by imp. Kinellar Sort, by Royal James, grandam by Athelstane, by the imported Cruickshank Victoria bull, Vengarth, imported by Hon. John Dryden, and used with great success in his herd. Of this young bull Mr. Platt writes:—"He was pronounced by competent judges the best calf in America. He has plenty of size and is smooth as a dollar, perfect in his general conformation. Before leaving for Great Britain, I instructed that this calf should not be sold, but Mr. Conley must have used some persuasive power to secure him; in fact, the whole four were very choice things." The roan yearling heifer, Nonpareil 52nd, was sired by Aurora Borealis, who was by the imported Cruickshank bull, Northern Light, and out of Rose of Strathmore, of the favorite Rose of Strathallan family. Her dam, Nonpareil 51st, of the choice Cruickshank family of that name, was by Stanley, a first prize and sweepstakes winner at Toronto, and sire of Lord Stanley, a first prize and championship winner at the World's Fair. Empress 5th is a smooth, even and well-proportioned red yearling heifer, by Scotsman 2nd, by Scotsman, dam Missie of Neidpath, of the Uppermill Missie family, from which came Marengo, the champion bull of the Royal English show of 1888. Daisy of Strathallan 20th is a very promising red heifer calf by imp. Blue Ribbon, bred by S. Campbell, Kinellar, Scotland, and sired by Royal James, dam Daisy of Strathallan 13th, of the famous Strathallan family, which has probably won more prizes in Canada than any other.

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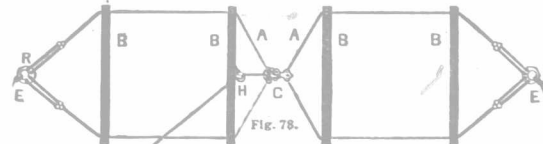
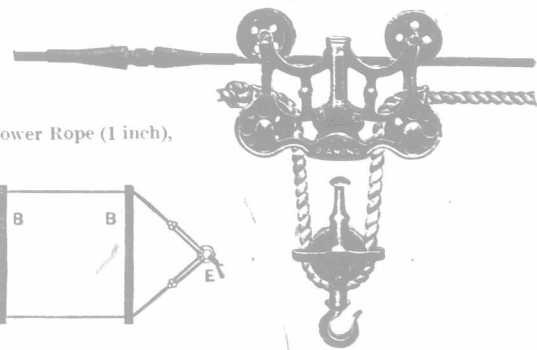
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