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### GOSSIP.

An advertiser of pure-bred stock in the FARMER'S ADVOCATE informs us that his letters of enquiry for stock in the month of October were fifty-five in number, three-fourths of which referred to the ADVOCATE as the medium of communication. The enquiries came from a large constituency, extending from P. E. I. in the east to B. C. in the west, and have resulted in a number of satisfactory sales.

Geo. Harding & Son, Waukesha, Wisconsin, have taken from Ontario since July last 1,300 stock rams for breeding purposes, 1,100 of which were Cotswolds, which is the breed in which they are specially interested. The majority of these rams have been sold for use on large sheep ranches in the Western Territories, the choice registered ones being sold to head pure-bred and high-grade flocks in the States.

Hon. Sydney Fisher, Knowlton, Quebec, writes: "In regard to the addition to my herd of Guernseys, I would say that I have purchased three cows and a bull from the United States. They satisfy me very completely, the cows being good working specimens of a dairy cow. The best of them I think, Gipsy the Fifth, is one of a very well-known family in New Jersey and New York States. Her son, Rockmount the Second, is the best bull I saw in a rather extended visit to the Guernsey herds of those parts, while she has half-sisters of equal merit with her, all splendid specimens of Guernseys. Ornament, one of the others of my importation, is also a large animal, with the best characteristics of a dairy cow. She is about to calve shortly, and I will look forward with a great deal of confidence to her work. The third one comes from Massachusetts, from the herd of an ordinary farmer there who has been doing ordinary buttermaking very profitably on a large scale with a herd of thoroughbred Guernseys, essentially a business herd. She has all the characteristics of a good cow, though, unfortunately, both her horns have been broken and hang loose, which hurts her appearance. She is about to calve in the early winter, but is now giving a good mess of milk. The young bull is a very fine specimen, coming from the same herd as the last named cow, out of the best animal in the herd. This latter is one of the cows that were bought for the Experimental Farm. The young bull is well grown, thrifty, and with fine butter points. These animals were all tested for tuberculosis, and passed the test, so I feel safe in that respect."

#### MR. ARTHUR JOHNSTON'S SHORTHORNS.

We direct the special attention of our readers to the change in the advertisement of Mr. Arthur Johnston, of Greenwood, Ont., in this issue. Through the slack times of recent years Mr. Johnston has kept his hand steady to the plow, so to speak, with abiding faith in the Shorthorn, and so has the satisfaction of having to-day a herd strong in breeding and typical characteristics, standing in the front rank, taking a share of the improved trade that breeders and farmers are now enjoying. In a note to the FARMER'S ADVOCATE regarding his young stock, Mr. Johnston writes: "Our young bulls, of which we have fifteen, are now in the very finest form, though not by any means fat. They are big, evenly fleshed, massive fellows, with soft, mellow skins, and wonderful coats of glossy hair. We have never bred a better lot, and we have never had a lot in nicer form at this season of the year. We have what we think the very best young bull the old bull (Indian Chief) ever left—a rich roan Duchess of Gloster calf of right size, right color, right flesh, right style, and above all, right character—a show bull, and a good one in any land. We also have an almost equally good white Duchess of Gloster one. This particular white one has a double cross of the old bull. Come and see if it is a failure! Besides these we have a dozen other most excellent young bulls—reds and roans. Our heifer calves, though scarcely in such excellent bloom, are a capital lot of seventeen—reds, roans, and one white one—and not the worst one either, all good, and all of the choicest Scotch blood, and, what is important to our customers, they are all for sale. Our yearling heifers are an equally attractive lot, and equally bred, massive, smooth, and evenly fleshed. Come and see them or send for catalogues. We have also some splendid young Berkshires."

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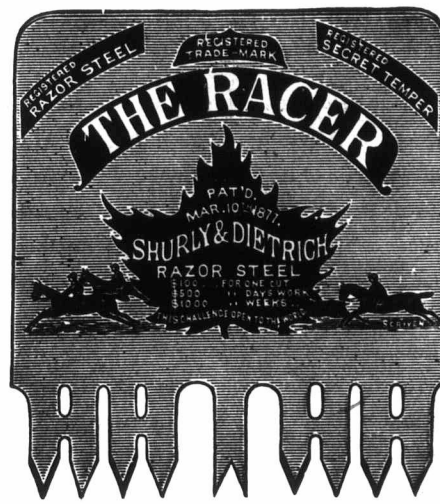
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This secret process of temper is known and used only by ourselves.

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### Shropshire Breeders Meet.

The American Shropshire Breeders' Association met in Chicago, Nov. 4th. Pres. Hon. John Dryden, Brooklyn, Ont., occupied the chair in his usual acceptable manner. Secretary, Mortimer Levering, La Fayette, Ind., was present, and recorded the minutes, read the communications, etc.

The President, Hon. Mr. Dryden, in his address referred to the excellent standing of the Shropshire Association, which is ahead of any other like organization, due in a large measure to the general excellence and many good qualities of this breed of sheep. The Shropshire suits all markets, is a hardy, quick grower, stands at the head in producing the greatest quantity of the best quality of mutton at the lowest cost, and shears a capital fleece of useful wool. He advised that breeders keep this breed at the head by continued selection and weeding out. Something more than a pedigree is necessary in a good Shropshire. There were about 100 members present, including Messrs. R. Gibson, Delaware, Ont., and W. J. Beattie, Wilton Grove, Ont.

The treasurer's report showed that last year's cash balance on hand was \$3,217.34 while this year's cash balance is \$3,715.53. The Association has 1,678 members.

Among the communications read was an invitation from Mr. J. B. Dinmore, of Nebraska, to the Association to offer prizes and exhibit sheep at the trans-Mississippi Exposition, of the three outgoing directors, T. A. Bixby, South Haven, Mich., and John L. Thompson, Gas City, Ind., were re-elected, along with Dr. G. Howard Davison, Millbrook, N. Y. On the Committee on Pedigrees, Mr. G. N. Greenshields, Montreal, was elected in the place of John Campbell, Woodville, Ont., and Prof. H. W. Mumford, of Michigan Agricultural College, in the place of Dr. Davison. Vice-President for Ontario is W. H. Beattie, Wilton Grove, and for Quebec, W. C. Edwards, M. P.

Officers were elected as follows: Pres., Hon. John Dryden, Brooklyn, Ont.; Vice-Pres., Prof. W. C. Latta, La Fayette, Ind.; Sec.-Treas., Mortimer Levering, La Fayette, Ind. Executive Committee elected for three years: Of the three outgoing directors, T. A. Bixby, South Haven, Mich., and John L. Thompson, Gas City, Ind., were re-elected, along with Dr. G. Howard Davison, Millbrook, N. Y. On the Committee on Pedigrees, Mr. G. N. Greenshields, Montreal, was elected in the place of John Campbell, Woodville, Ont., and Prof. H. W. Mumford, of Michigan Agricultural College, in the place of Dr. Davison. Vice-President for Ontario is W. H. Beattie, Wilton Grove, and for Quebec, W. C. Edwards, M. P.

### Aberdeen-Angus Breeders Meet.

The American Aberdeen-Angus Breeders' Association held their last annual meeting in Chicago, Nov. 4th. It was well attended by a large number of representative breeders of Angus cattle. It was conducted harmoniously and expeditiously. Pres. E. S. Burwell, of Iowa, occupied the chair, and Sec.-Treas. Thos. McFarlane, Harvey, Ill., kept a record of the minutes. The total number of animals recorded is 26,846. The secretary reported that \$1,075 had this year been paid out in special premiums for fair awards. The treasurer's report showed a present cash balance of \$6,029.90. The Association passed a resolution to erect a monument in memory of the late William Watson, who recently died at Winchester, Ill.

Officers elected: Pres., M. L. Evans, Emerson, Iowa; Vice-Pres., O. E. Bradfute, Calderville, Ohio; Sec.-Treas., Thos. McFarlane, Harvey, Ill. Directors for three years: W. A. Henry, Denison, Iowa; O. E. Bradfute and L. H. Kerrick, Ill.

### GOSSIP.

Clydesdale foals are reported scarce in Scotland this season; losses have been heavy.

C. E. Stubbs, of Denver, Col., is off to Europe for the U. S. Government to get a report on the sort of horses wanted there for cavalry, carriage and other purposes. The trouble in Canada is to produce enough horses of the fancy hunter, carriage and draft type. There is no secret about the sort that are wanted.

Mr. Alf. Hunter, Addington County, Ont., writes congratulating the publishers on the excellence of the FARMER'S ADVOCATE, and commending it as an advertising medium. Referring to some stock he purchased without seeing it from E. Gaunt & Son, St. Helen's, Ont., he adds: "It proved more than satisfactory in every respect, and I can heartily recommend the firm to intending purchasers. Although I have never seen Mr. Gaunt," he adds, "I know he must be a gentleman."