

TRANSFERS OF THOROUGHbred STOCK.

American Berkshire Record

Champion Maid, 14,116, Springer Bros., Springfield, Ill., to E. G. Goljenboom, Leaf River, Ill.
 Dardenne Sallie, 14,026, W. A. Harris, Dardenne, Mo., to Springer Bros.
 Schenck Creek Tom, 4443, C. C. Logsdon, Independence, Kan., to Chas. Elliott & Son, Bladensburg, Ohio.
 Shady, 3175, Elting Hasbrouck, Marshall, Mich., to J. B. Phillips, Jefferson, Mich.
 Sambo, 14067, J. B. Rue, Council Bluffs, Iowa, to Clem Campbell, Beaver City, Neb.
 Lord Beaconsfield, 12,658, Thornton F. Emmons, Princeton, N. J., to A. S. Leigh, jr., Princeton, N. J.
 Jumbo, 12771, B. F. Dorsey & Sons, Perry, Ill., to T. A. Hubbard, Wellington, Kan.
 Lady Ada, 14147, and Miss All O.K., 14,148, W. Warren Morton, Russellville, Ky., to O. K. Mills, Pinckneyville, Ills.
 Urbana Boy, 2771, D. W. Todd, Urbana, Ohio, to H. F. Hudson, Rootstown, Ohio.
 Royal Signet III., 14175, H. F. Hudson, to Chas. S. Tyson, Kent, Ohio.
 Louis, 14024, C. W. Martin, St. Louis, Mich., to Martin & Henry, same place.
 Royal March, 11662, W. L. Propst, Plattsmouth, Nebr., to A. G. Epler, Virginia, Ill.

ILLINOIS CONTAGIOUS DISEASES LAW.

The new law in Illinois relating to contagious and infectious diseases among domestic animals makes it the duty of the Board of Live Stock Commissioners to quarantine premises or farms where any such disease exists. It is also their duty to prescribe regulations necessary to prevent such diseases from being communicated in any way from the premises or farm quarantined.

At the meeting of the Board in Springfield this week the Commissioners have been wrestling with the problem, "What is efficient quarantine?" The fixing of rules or regulations necessary to prevent the spread of disease has also engaged much of their attention.

The framers of the present law doubtless felt that they had accomplished a grand work when their carefully prepared bill became, finally, the law of the State. But it is very evident the Commissioners feel that the work of controlling contagious and infectious diseases among domestic animals is only begun. It is not the less evident that the present Board will prove themselves equal to the task given them.

The members are awake to the responsibility resting upon them, and they are conscious of the fact that theirs is a new line of work, one in which at least little has heretofore been done in other States.

Horse Notes.

We understand that Mr. Oswald Sorby, son of Mr. D. Sorby, arrived at their farm, Guelph, on the evening of the 21st inst. with a shipment of first-class Clydesdale horses. We congratulate Mr. Sorby on the acquisition of so valuable an addition to his already good stock of Clydes. We believe it is Mr. Sorby's intention to have one of the best breeding farms in Ontario.

Mr. Wm. Sadler, of Galt, will show his stock, consisting of Suffolk Punches and coach horses, at London and Toronto, excepting St. Elmo, who will be allowed to rest on his honors. Mr. Sadler informs us that in March next he will remove to Findley, Hancock Co., Ohio, where, he says, first-class stock will be better appreciated than in this country. Too bad.

Cattle Notes.

Mr. John Miller, of Brougham, Ontario, has purchased from Mr. S. Campbell's herd of Shorthorns at Kinellar six fine young bulls, and from Mr. Amos Cruickshank of Sittyton the choice of his bull calves.—*English Live Stock Journal*.

From all parts of the range come the most cheering reports of the condition of stock, which has never been fatter, or revelling in better pasture. Montana beeves will this fall be higher than ever before. In consequence of the rain having continued to fall so late in the season, the grass which in the early spring threatened to be a short crop has continued to grow up to this time, something unprecedented, and the pastures, even before the ranges were filled with cattle, were never better. The shipments from Billings this season will be over 20,000 fat beeves and probably 7,000 more from Huntley.—*Western Live Stock Journal*.

A new feature is to be introduced at the show of the Royal Jersey Agricultural Society on Wednesday, August 26th. A working dairy will be open for general competition, and to competitors who produce, for a given quantity of milk, the largest quantity and best-made butter (the time employed in the work to be taken into consideration), three prizes will be awarded—namely, £3, £2, and £1. If, however, there should be less than six competitors, two prizes only shall be awarded. Then there is a class open to members of the dairy department, and their assistants, who have been in their employment for at least a fortnight previous to the show, each supplying his own working utensils. The cream or milk will be supplied by the committee, but subject to the same conditions as for the general competition. The prizes and conditions are the same as in the first class.—*English Live Stock Journal*.

Mr. Duthie, Collynie, Aberdeen, has sold the yearling Shorthorn bull William of the Heugh, sired by Cumberland, and out of Orange Blossom 21st, to Mr. Arthur Johnston, of Greenwood, Ont. In addition to the purchase already mentioned, Mr. Johnston has secured from Mr. G. Inglis, of Newmore, Invergordon, the commended yearling heifer Beauty VI., got by Duke of Albany 46184, and out of Beauty III., by Royal Hope 32392; the Duke of Buccleuch's Cherry Lady, a heifer calf of the fine old Cherry sort, and a red bull calf sired by the show bull Peacock 45319, also of the Cherry family; and from Mr. S. Campbell (Kinellar) he got seven choice bull calves, including representatives of the Clementina, Golden Drop, Wimple, Rubyhill, Rosebud, Lalage, Maid of Promise, Nonpareil, and Victoria families; and also seven choice females, representatives of the Sittyton, Cecilia, Nonpareils, &c.—*London Live Stock Journal*.

"Phil Thrifton" writes the *Chicago Breeders' Gazette*: "Hog-raising is one of the most ready means of money-making known to the Western farmer. Even when the supply is abundant and prices low a margin of profit is found in well-kept stock. Such animals are always saleable. They are comparatively free from disease and usually bring quick returns, in cash, for the amounts invested. Moreover, every properly-managed and well-fed hog that leaves the farm leaves it in all the better condition for growing rich pastures and heavy crops of grain than had he not been reared and fed upon the farm. Good management in hog-raising, as in the handling of all other farm animals, begins with the selection of good breeding stock. A good thoroughbred Berkshire boar will greatly improve any herd of common hogs. Almost any farmer can afford to buy such a boar at the

prices now asked. In fact, we do not see how any farmer who raises hogs can afford not to buy."

The *English Live Stock Journal* says:—"Since the year 1851, there have been six public sales at Holker, Lancashire, of Southern cattle belonging to the Duke of Devonshire, the results of which were as follows:—1851, 56 head, £1,407, an average of £25 2s. 6d.; 1864, 30 head, £1,984 10s., an average of £66 3s.; 1871, 43 head, £10,349 17s., an average of £240 13s. 10d.; 1874, 43 head, £16,497 12s., an average of £383 13s. 3d.; 1873, 30 head, £19,922 14s., an average of £664 1s. 10d.; 1883, 44 head, £7,130 11s., an average of £162 1s. 1d. Total of six sales, £57,292 4s. During the same period, and up to the present, the private sales from the herd have realized £35,641 8s. 6d.; total of public and private sales, £92,933 12s. 6d. Against this there has been paid for sires and for cattle brought into the herd, £21,449 19s. 2d., leaving a profit balance, less keep of stock, of £71,483 13s. 4d. In public sales, animals of the Oxford family have realized (49 in all) £32,226 12s., an average of £657 13s. 8d. The private sales of Oxfords have netted £25,637. There are now at Holker 28 Grand Duchesses of Oxford, and eight Baroness Oxfords, in addition to males."

Mrs. Samuel M. Shoemaker has lost by death from inflammation of the lungs the world-renowned cow Princess Second, which astonished the world by giving in seven days a yield of forty-six pounds and ten and a half ounces of butter. The test of her butter qualities was completed April 10, 1885. Some time after the test the blankets were taken off rather suddenly, it is thought, and she took a cold, from which she never recovered. She was a magnificent animal, of great vitality and force, as well as a fine butter producer. One of the secrets of her immense yields of butter was her great vitality and appetite. During the very height of the test, when she was fed as large quantities of butter producing food as it was thought she could safely bear, she broke loose one night and consumed over 200 pounds of prepared food in a box in the stable. About two years ago Mrs. Shoemaker refused \$25,000 for her. She was eight years and six months old when she died. She was an imported cow, and was bought at auction in New York for \$4,800. She was of the celebrated Coomassie strain. Her last calf was sold during an absence from home of Mrs. Shoemaker for \$10,000, but the sale did not stand, Mrs. Shoemaker refusing to ratify it on her return.—*Baltimore Sun*.

Mr. Thomas McCrae, of Guelph, Can., has sold a car-load of choice Galloway cattle to H. G. Gue, Esq., of Des Moines, Ia. Among this lot were seven imported cows, viz.:—*Lucetta* (3441), a winner of five prizes, bred by the Earl of Galloway, and by the celebrated bull Scottish Border (669); *Jennie* of Tarbreoch (8028), from the herd of Mr. Sherman, Barmoffity, and descended from *Geordie* of Riggfoot (234); *Nancy* of Tarbreoch (8032), from the herd of Mr. James Cunningham, Tarbreoch, and from the famous gold medal cow *Bridesmaid*; *Edith* of Tronquhdin (3518), from the herd of M. & I. S. Wilson, New Galloway; *Careful* (4421), from the herd of William McVicker, Gatehouse of Fleet; *Cherry* of Hensol (3554), from the herd of Capt. R. DeBarre Cunningham, Balmaghie; *Cherry Blossom* (4358), from Mr. R. Wallace, Lang Barns, Kirkcudbright. With these imported cows Mr. Gue purchased the two-year-old heifer *Maggie* of Guelph [851], winner of four prizes; heifer calf *Ealda* [2243], and bull calves *Cherrystone* [2241] and *Cicero* [2242], and seven yearling bulls sired by *MacLeod* 2d (1676), by *Elrig* (2105), now at