

STOCK GOSSIP.

Mr. Wm. H. Beattie, of Wilton Grove, reports the sale of ten imported Shropshires to Samuel Millson, of Glanworth. He has also made several sales of Dorking fowls and White Holland turkeys.

Mr. D. E. Adams, of Oxford Centre, showed some very fine Percheron horses at the Industrial Exhibition, Toronto, and although competing with importing animals of greater age, won a fair share of prizes. His mare Empress took first at the Provincial. His black two-year-old stallion Monarch, which won first at the Provincial this year, is of good size and fine quality. He also took first on his yearling mare Beatrice. See his advt. in another column.

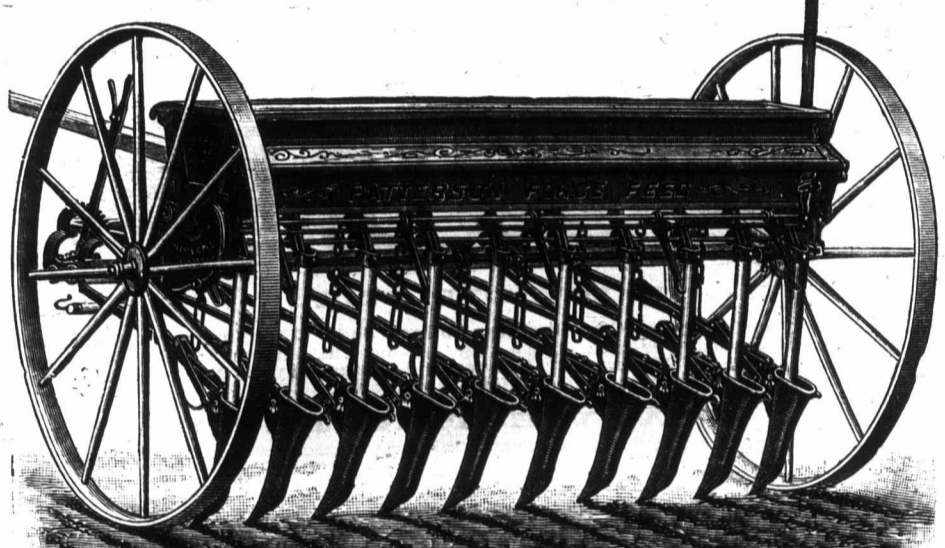
Mr. Samuel Staples, Ida, writes us:—The offspring of my Clydesdale stallions, Cheviot and Lord Sudley, have done exceedingly well in the show rings in this district this fall. Lord Sudley's colts were winners at Port Hope, Lindsay, Peterborough, Bethany, Centreville, Omence and Millbrook, taking first and second as yearlings, and first and second as foals of 1889, at Peterborough, and first and second as colts of 1889 at Bethany, over a strong class of competitors. Cheviot's record is even brighter, though not quite so far-reaching; his colts were prominent among the winners at Keene, where they were first as yearling colts, and first as mare and foal, at Peterborough first as two-year-olds, and at Bethany first and second as two-year-olds, and first and second as colts of 1889, at East Durham County Fair, at Millbrook, he was represented by seventeen of his colts, which won sixteen prizes, including the prize for the five best two-year-olds from any draught horse.

The fourth volume of the Dominion Shorthorn Herd Book is now in the binder's hands. It contains the pedigrees of 2,221 bulls and 2,736 cows. It is well printed on fine paper, and makes a substantial book, being handsomely bound, as are all the volumes issued by Mr. Wade. Every breeder of Shorthorns should buy a copy of each of these books. We cannot understand the careless apathy of the Canadian farmers in not more loyally supporting the various record associations. Mr. Wade is a careful editor and compiler of these works without which our various pure breeds would soon be in chaos, as far as their pedigrees are concerned; but despite these facts, Canadian farmers frequently do not take interest enough to buy the volumes when issued. The history of Shorthorn cattle imported into the Dominion from England and the United States is continued in the work now issued and carried to the end of 1874. Copies of the Clydesdale, Shire Horse and Draught Horse stud books, also the Devon, Ayrshire, Hereford, Polled Angus and Devon herd books, as well as Berkshire, Suffolk and Yorkshire records may be obtained at a trifling cost by writing Mr. H. Wade, corner of Yonge and Queen streets, Toronto.

Since our last issue we had the pleasure of looking through three of Canada's great Clydesdale establishments, viz.: Those owned by Messrs. Sorby, Guelph; Graham, Claremont, and Beith, Bowmanville. In the first stable the grand horse Bold Boy, recently imported, is the centre figure, well supported by some fine young horses and mares. Illustrations of three of them and a pretty thorough review of this lot will be given next month. Messrs. Graham Brothers have a lot of wonderfully good horses; they are all but one either bays or browns, several of them have little or no white and none of them too much. They are certainly a good lot. Foremost among them is the noted horse Macmillan, age and MacLaskie (6990), also two superb yearlings, and a number of two-year-olds. An illustration and a full review of them will appear in our March number. Messrs. R. Beith & Co.'s horses, as a whole, are the best they have ever imported, a big powerful lot possessing much quality. This stable also will be fully reviewed in an early issue. Each of these firms are issuing catalogues which everyone who intends purchasing Clydesdales should procure. They can be had by applying. See their advertisements in other columns, also that of Messrs. Arthur Johnston, John Dryden, M. P. P., Robert Mackie and Frank R. Shore & Bros.

Frank R. Shore & Bros., White Oak, report the following sales:—To J. Faulkes, Shoal Lake, Man., the young bull Lord Percival, by Vermillion, and brood mare Kate, by Netherby; also the following bulls sired by Vermillion (5987), to A. Allison, Frome P. O., Sweet-Meat, dam Lena Languish, by Prince of Northumberland (46911); to George W. Keyes, St. Catharines, Ont., Scottish Baron, dam Scottish Rose 3rd, by Prince of Northumberland; to C. Trebilcock, The Grove P. O., Patriot, dam Scottish Rose 2nd, by 3rd Earl of Darlington; to Herbert Henderson, Port Talbot, Harcourt, dam Mary Booth, by Statesman; to John Andrews, St. Thomas, a nice yearling that took second at the late Southern Counties Fair. They sold their whole crop of Shropshire lambs to C. O. Fox, Oregon, Wis., and they are expecting an importation of extra good Shropshire ewes, already in lamb, which should arrive about the middle of December, to replenish the flock that has been reduced by the numerous sales made during this season. They have a very even lot of young bulls for sale, which they claim to be ahead of former years. Amongst the recent births the show cow, Ruby Hill, dropped a fine bull calf the week before the Provincial, which prevented his dam making her appearance at that exhibition. Sales have been brisk and enquiries frequent, and they expect an increased demand for young bulls in consequence of the advance in shipping and stock cattle, the latter having had the greatest run for export ever known about London since the trade began.

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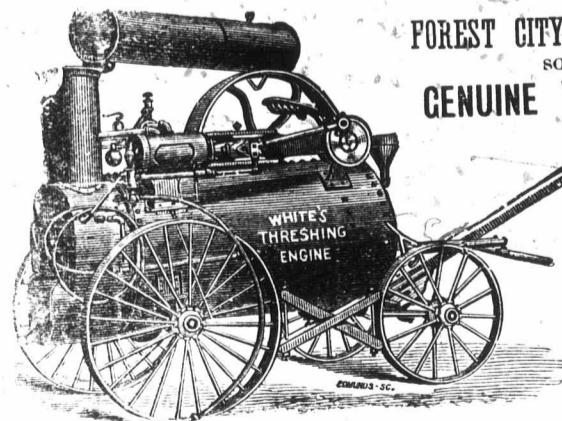
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