

J. Morgan & Sons' Shorthorns.

The group of four Shorthorns, which our artist has so nicely reproduced in our illustration for this month, is from the herd of J. Morgan & Sons, Kerwood. They are representative of the herd of good, thick, useful cattle which that gentleman is now breeding. He has been fortunate in starting a herd of such good breeding and really good cattle individually. Two of the Scotch sorts are represented in Fair Queen 2nd, the large roan cow, which is of the Campbell family of that name. She and her descendants have their top crosses of orthodox breeding, herself having British Statesman and Inkerman, both bred at Kinellar, below these is the imported

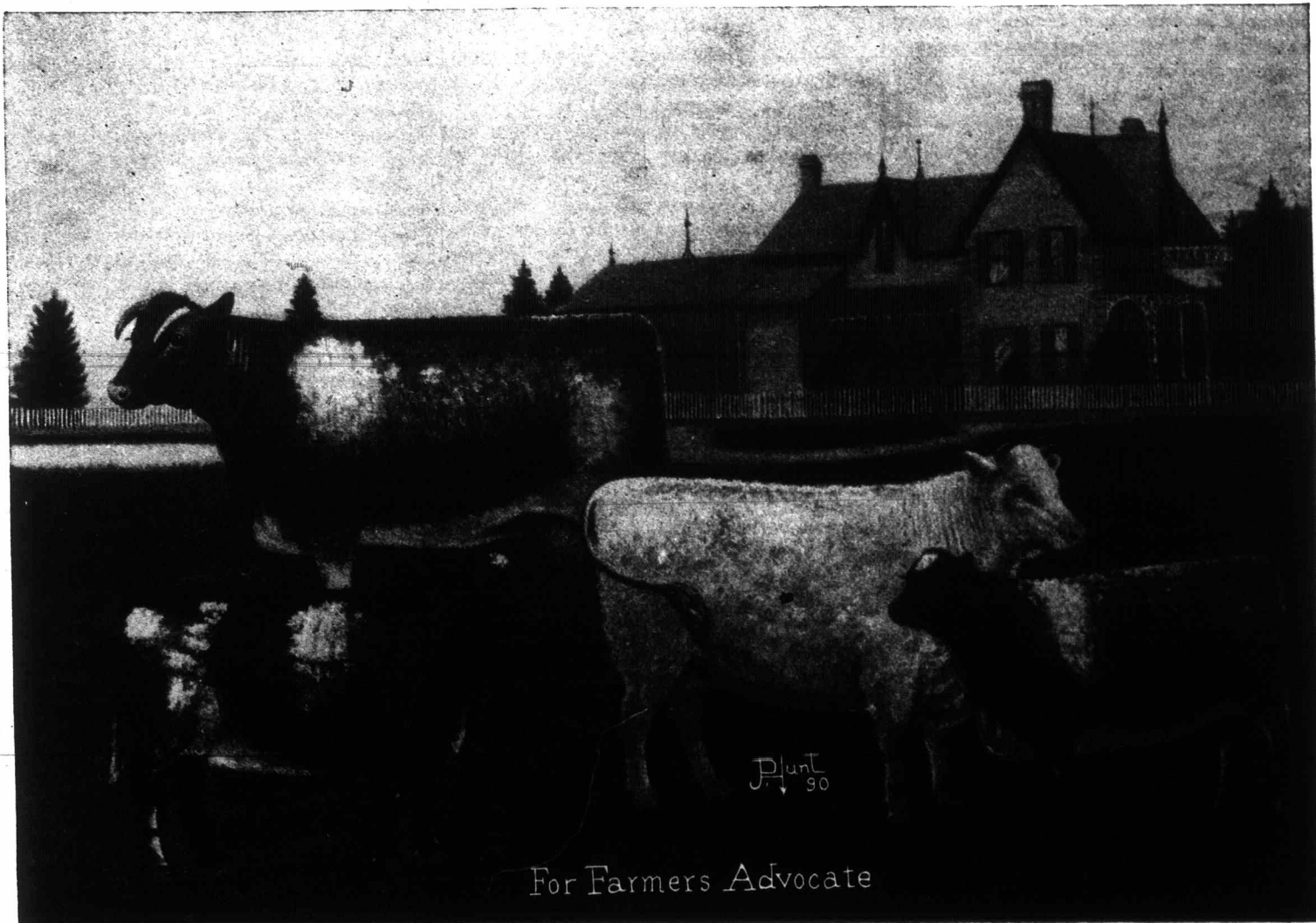
Golden Star's dam was of the celebrated Golden Drop tribe, and possesses the richest Kinellar, Sittyton and Booth blood, and is sired by the Campbell bull Royal Duke (35356); he by Sir Christopher (22895), one of Booth's famous bulls.

The bull, Silver Star, which won the sweepstakes at the late London Provincial, was bred by Mr. Morgan and sold to Mr. Currie, of Everton, who showed him. This bull has lately been sold at a very large price to head an Illinois show herd.

Mr. Morgan has a herd numbering twenty of pure breeding, and about twenty-five grades, some of which swept the board at last year's fairs.

Dishorning Cattle.

Every live-stock paper in Britain has been, in the past few months, devoting a good deal of space to this matter. The advocates on one side maintain it is necessary, and that the cattle without horns are worth much more for feeding than horned animals; that the operation, if skillfully performed, is not cruel or excessively painful. On the other hand, several prosecutions have taken place and fines imposed. Meetings are being held in different places to maintain the right of farmers to take the horns off, and to raise funds to defend the matter in the courts, and carry the appeals in to the Privy Council. Breeders of Polled cattle are coming to the front



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A GROUP OF SHORTHORNS, THE PROPERTY OF MESSRS. MORGAN & SONS, KERWOOD, ONT.

Kinellar cow. The white heifer and roan yearling to the right are both descendants of hers. The roan yearling is by Rob Roy, by imp. Rob Roy, grand dam Fair Queen 2nd; the roan heifer calf at the left hand being one of the Crimson Flowers, which have been favorites all over the West, where long prices were obtained in the good times gone by. The dam of this heifer is Crimson Flower, by imp. Royal Barmpton, a pure Cruickshank bull, and grand dam by Scotsman 2nd. On these families, which form the bulk of the Cherry Grove herd, Mr. Morgan has placed some good crosses that have had marked effect, such as imp. Rob Roy, of the Experimental Farm, Guelph, and his present stock bull Golden Star, sired by imp. Scottish Rose, imported by the late Joseph Thomson, Whitby.

Road horses are being bred also, of which the grey mare Nellie, with a private record of 2.36, laid the foundation, on which he has used such stallions as Mr. Burgess' Book-maker, also Western Sprague, by Governor Sprague, and Wilkesborough, by George Wilkes.

In sheep, both Shropshires and Oxford's are bred. The flocks were founded on sheep purchased at the Ontario Experimental Farm, Guelph.

The Cherry Grove Farm contains 250 acres of splendid land, with comfortable and convenient barns. The house, which is seen in the background, unites happily the useful and ornamental.

Nothing can be more certain than the need of good bulls among our cattle stock, and now that there is a returning confidence in the future of cattle for beef purposes, those who have faithfully held to a higher standard of individual merit will sooner or later meet their reward.

with the fact that the true way to get rid of the horns is to breed Polled animals; that all the crosses from Polled bulls are hornless, and that they are better feeders than any of the pure breeds. There is no doubt that the most popular feeding animal in Britain is the cross between the Galloway or Polled Angus and the Shorthorn, and that this cross, when sent over from Canada, will bring more in the English markets, and when fat will sell more readily and for a better price than any horned animal of equal quality and weight. For stockers the Polled cross is even more preferred, and will bring a much better price. In view of this, those breeding for that market should try the cross; it will certainly pay well to do so.

The Arabs have a maxim "That the foal resembles the sire." Therefore, breed from only good and well bred males.