

2. We have experience both of Clydesdale horses from the north and north-east counties, and also from the south-west counties of Scotland, and either of them suit our trade, provided they are of the type that we mention in No. 1.

3. We prefer Clydesdale to Shire horses for street traffic, but in pre-war times a very suitable class of horse came from Canada. These were of big size, and suitable for almost every class of work.

4. They must not be less than five years of age for street traffic. With any luck, these horses should be good for from four to six years' work.

5. If these horses are from 17 to 18½ cwt. (1,900 to 2,070 pounds) in weight, they can easily take a three-ton load on the level, with the assistance of a trace horse in Buchanan Street and West Nile Street.

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PREFERS CLYDESDALES

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1. The horse most suitable for heavy lorry haulage should be about 17 hands 1 inch, weighing about 14½ cwt. (1,600 pounds) and built in proportion, i.e., measuring perpendicular even length from ground to top of forearm, and from that point to extreme point of wither; a large barrel, wide quarters, strong thighs, moderate length of pasterns, forelegs well under body, point of hocks pointing inwardly, but not too close, a little straight fine hair on back of legs; a dark color, though a grey or a dash of white is not objectionable, with wide blue feet, deep at heels.

2. Aberdeenshire, Perthshire, Upper Lanarkshire and Cumberland are the best districts for getting heavy draft horses.

3. When horses of the foregoing type can be obtained, Clydesdales are preferable as they are more elastic in their movements and when occasion arises can trot with a heavy load without being tired or suffer any bad effects therefrom. There is a great dearth of horses of this type with the result that those who prefer Clydesdales have to fall back on other breeds for heavy haulage, though not so suitable in other respects.

4-5. From five to six years old is the best age to put horses on street work. They last on an average eight years, when they get a little slow, though quite useful for a few more years for agricultural or similar work. Their average load is from three to four tons with a vehicle weighing 22 cwt. Narrow, wasp-waisted, close-gaited draft horses may do all right for bakeries or agricultural work but they are very much out of place where a rug of strength is necessary.

Many good specimens of draft horses have been and are being wasted through being kept idle, overfed, with feet forced and stretched for show and sale purposes. The Clydesdale breed has often had its reputation sadly tarnished through this practice. There are many instances of prominent private horse-owning firms in the United Kingdom who purchased horses which underwent this treatment, being grievously disappointed through their purchases going wrong in their feet and otherwise becoming