

GOSSIP.

On April 27th, as advertised in this issue, the annual amalgamated sale of pedigree Lincoln Red Shorthorn bulls, at Lincoln, will be held.

T. H. Hassard, Markham, Ont., has received an importation of twenty ponies, which will be sold by auction in Toronto, April 27th.

MORE IMPORTED CLYDESDALE FILLIES AND PONIES.

Dr. T. H. Hassard, of Markham, Ont., is still maintaining his reputation as the most extensive importer of horses in Canada. His latest importation, which landed a few days ago, consisted of twenty-one Clyde fillies and forty ponies. The fillies, in age, are: Nineteen rising two years, and two rising three years, of a type, character and quality quite in keeping with Mr. Hassard's reputation as an importer of Scotland's best, while their breeding is of just as high a standard, the get of such renowned sires as the H. & A. S. champion, Perfect Motion. Royal Fashion, one of the best breeding sons of Sir Everard; Diadem, a son of the great Hiawatha; the Cawdor Cup champion, Memento; the Glasgow winner, Chattan Again; the H. & A. S. winner, Baron's Voucher, etc. The ponies are an exceptionally choice lot, six of them pure-bred Shetland, the balance Hackney-Welsh cross. Several well-matched teams are among the lot. Practically every one is a high-class show pony. All are young, well-broken, and quiet to ride or drive. The ponies will be sold by auction, at the Repository, corner Nelson and Simcoe streets, Toronto, on Thursday, April 27th, sale commencing at 10 a. m., which will present the best opportunity ever offered in Canada to get high-class imported ponies at auction prices.

GEO. D. FLETCHER'S SHORTHORNS AND CLYDESDALES.

There are few herds of Scotch Shorthorns in Canada that are better thought of, or that have a reputation for excellence of modern type and fleshing qualities equal to the high-class herd of imported and Canadian-bred animals that make up the herd of Geo. D. Fletcher, of Binkham, Ont., a short distance from Erin Station, C. P. R. The enviable reputation of this herd is theirs by merit, their breeding is the best the breed produces, Orange Blossoms, Cruickshank J., or Jealousy, Nonpareils, Marr Roan Ladys and Missies, C. Mysies, many of them the daughters of that great bull, Imp. Joy of Morning, and out of such big, thick, well-bred cows as Imp. Blossom 2nd, an Orange Blossom; Imp. Loretta, a C. J.; Imp. Deestide Roan Lady, a Marr Roan Lady, etc. The present stock bull is the very thick, mellow, Imp. Benachie =69954=, bred by A. T. Gordon, sired by Scottish Farmer, a grandson of the world-renowned Scottish Archer, and the sire of the unbeaten Duchess of Gordon, dam Beatrice 22nd, a C. Butterfly, who is the dam of Bandmaster, winner of first at the Royal, in a class of 30, and sold for 600 guineas, she by the famous Aberdeen winner, Lancelot, is a granddaughter of the great Star of Morning. Bred as he is on Scottish winning lines, and carrying the blood of the most notable representatives and sires the breed has known. His illustrious breeding for generations is indelibly stamped on his get, whose type and even, mellow flesh, are of so high a standard that of last year's crop of bulls not one is left. Four yearling daughters standing side by side, are surely a nice lot, immensely thick, and quality from the feet up; one is an Orange Blossom; one a Missie, one a C. Mysie, and one a Roan Lady. This bull is now just turned four. He is roan in color, safe, sure, and active, and is for sale; a bonanza for some fortunate Shorthorn breeder. One of his best gets of last year went to Mr. Hand, of Stratford, Ont. He was a roan, out of a Missie-bred dam, of Imp. Joy of Morning. He certainly will do a power of good for Mr. Hand's herd. In Clydesdales, Dr. Fletcher is showing the splendid mares, Imp. Sally McNaught, Imp. Dunure Freeman, and Imp. Memento, by Baron Romeo. Out of the former is a two-year-old daughter, by Imp. Watson, and out of the latter is a yearling daughter, by the same sire.

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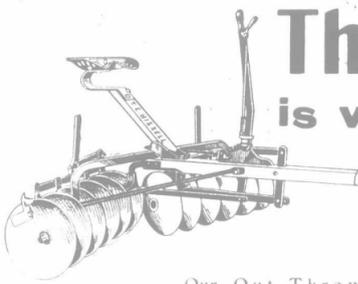
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