

GOSSIP.

Mr. Harry Smith, Hay P. O., Ont., writes: "While there will not be an exhibit of Short-horns from Springhurst herd at the fair this fall, yet stock from this herd will be seen in the show herds of Capt. T. E. Robson at the Ontario shows; Messrs. George Harding & Son, of Waukesha, Wisconsin, at a number of State fairs in the Western States; and Chas. E. Ladd, of Oregon, who is exhibiting on the Pacific Coast; and a number of others. At the Winnipeg Show, recently closed, there were three head exhibited that were bred at Springhurst, each of which won 1st prize in its respective class. These were all in the herd of Hon. Thos. Greenway. At the same show the first of the get in Canada of our present stock bull, imported Knuckle Duster, put in an appearance and won 1st prize for bull calf and 2nd for heifer calf, being beaten only by a heifer of our own breeding, got by Abbot'sford, fifth in the same class going to another Knuckle Duster. Recent sales include a dozen head of choicely-bred things to George M. Woody, of Clyde, Iowa. In the bunch was the excellent show cow, Rybeck Rose, by General Booth (imp.), out of imported Red Rose, by Perfection; the fine breeding cow, Village Pride, and her roan bull calf, by Knuckle Duster; and the slashing big two-year-old heifer, Countess 6th, by Royal Ury. Another good lot of six head went to P. D. Fuller, of Sutherland, Iowa. These included the fine Cruickshank heifer, Matchless of Elm-hurst 19th, and Countess of Gloster, an extra good yearling, one of the best of old Abbot'sford's get, that I venture to predict will give a good account of herself at the Kansas City Live Stock Show, where Mr. Fuller purposes exhibiting her."

W. G. PETTIT'S LATELY-IMPORTED SHORT-HORNS.

Since their arrival home from quarantine, a member of the FARMER'S ADVOCATE staff looked carefully over Mr. W. G. Pettit's new lot of 54 Scotch Shorthorns, which that gentleman personally selected from the fountain head in Scotland. It was well known to those who knew him best that Mr. Pettit would make his selection with care, and as he has been intimately connected with the business, and those seeking the best in the breed, he was eminently fitted to select only those individuals for which there is an active and increasing demand. In the consignment are a lot of exceedingly useful-looking breeding cows, which brought with them the evidence of their prolificness in sons and grandsons, daughters and granddaughters at their side, and many are again safely in calf to some of the best bulls in Scotland, and it is safe to state that among the lot is probably the greatest number of imported bulls that has left the island together in many a day, while we believe we are warranted in stating that their quality is in keeping with their numbers and breeding. Although color has not been by any means the guiding star in making selections, yet the deep reds predominate, and the roans have been well selected from a color point of view, as well as for quality. Among the young bulls of serviceable age many are strong in point of individual excellence. The red yearling, Pure Gold, by Cyprus, and out of Mr. Cruickshank's Braith Bud cow, Golden Thought, was considered good enough to do service in a high-class herd in Scotland. He is a bull of exceptional promise in character, quality and finish. Fitz-Roberts, by Fire King, and out of Queen Bess 24th, has three top crosses of Duthie sires in his pedigree. He is a deep red in color, and should be largely sought by those looking for a good one. Prince Cruickshank is a deep, mellow-fleshed fellow of the Cruickshank Lovely tribe, of grand quality and high character, on short legs, and fleshy to his hocks and knees. In all, we saw five yearling bulls and seven bull calves of the importation, and they are a uniformly good lot. The females are in keeping with the ones mentioned. Their owner selected them under the same conditions and out of the same herds. Note Mr. Pettit's change of address and watch for further "Gossip."

BRETHOUR & SAUNDERS' YORKSHIRES.

The grand herd of Yorkshire swine maintained at Burford, Ont., by the firm of Brethour & Saunders, was recently seen at their headquarters there, and found in fine form for the campaign of the fall fairs, and for supplying the ever-increasing demand for breeding stock of the bacon type. The signal success of representatives of the herd at the summer shows at Winnipeg and Brandon, augurs well for the season, having won, with the small consignment sent there, a large share of the 1st and sweepstakes prizes. The stock of brood sows at present numbers over 60, and a more uniformly good lot could not be found in the possession of any one firm in America, judged from the standpoint of breeding, utility, conformation, and adaptation to the requirements of the best markets of the present day. The principal families represented by these are Marions, Cinderellas, Prides, Mites, Fashions, Flowers, Julias, and Buttercups, while included in the latest importations are a few choice sows from noted herds of Messrs. Daniel Daybell, of Bottesford; Philo L. Mills, of Riddington; and Denston Gibson, of Harbury, England. A string of imported sows from each of the above breeders, and a large number of the descendants of the former importations, all sired by high-class imported boars, places the firm in a position to supply their customers with typical foundation stock and choice sires for the improvement of herds in the most desirable qualities. Among the notable imported boars in service in the herd are: Conqueror 2475; Riddington Lad, bred by Mr. Mills, 1st prize winner at the Royal and other leading English shows in 1898; Oak Lodge Sire, one of the winning class at the Royal, bred by Mills; Oak Lodge President, O. L. Celtic, and O. L. Saint, all of which are well up to the standard of first-class in all the essentials which constitute the improved and approved type of Yorkshires, and Mr. Brethour is more strongly than ever convinced of the importance of breeding to this specific type. The herd will be represented at Toronto Exhibition and other leading shows in Ontario by a strong contingent, to contest for honors, and it is safe to say that they will make a better showing this year than they have ever made in the past, which is saying a good deal. Fifteen choice young boars and about 20 sows of different ages will be offered for sale at Toronto, and will be well worth looking after. Visitors to the fair should not fail to see them.

WANTED: Country girl for general work; also a boy to do chores. Good wages. Address—FARMER'S ADVOCATE, LONDON.

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A great opportunity is here offered to any one desiring a first-class farm.

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As originator of Early Red Clawson, which has made such a grand record in all parts of the country, I now offer a Longberry Cross-breed from parentage (on one side) from which Red Clawson came, which all will find superior to that sort when first sent out. It resembles, in some respects, Red Clawson in the field, but is a stronger grower and more prolific stooler, has a sturdy, thick-walled, wiry straw of a light yellow shade. Heads long, wide and full, tending to club shape on all, heavy soils. Chaff dark and free from beards. Grain large of true longberry type, and when grown on strong clay soils would be classed as light red. Like its parents, delights in a strong clay or clay loam; on such soils, with thorough preparation, it will outstrip the fifty or more bushels yields. I expect reports from this and Longberry No. 1 next season that will astonish some of the most successful wheat-growers, and convince many that new blood in wheat, like blooded stock, will surely pay. Fifty or more bushels per acre can be secured by the investment of a few dollars in choice seed, the crop of which will be eagerly engaged for seed in the neighborhood at paying prices. Sow 1 1/2 bushels per acre. 1 lb., postpaid, 20c.; 5 lbs., postpaid, 75c.; peck, 75c.; bushel, \$2.50; 5 bushels, including bags, \$12.

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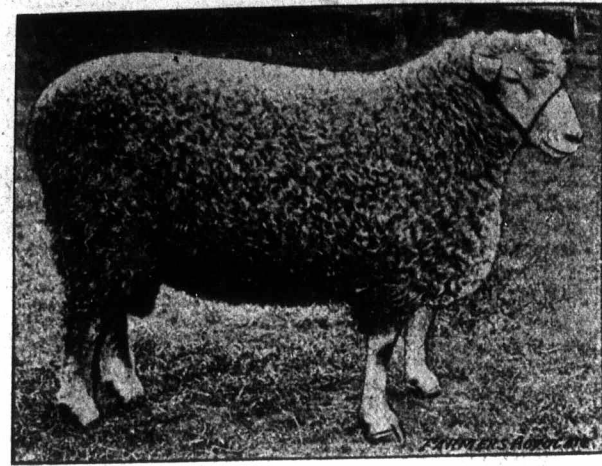
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Write us for prices, or come and see.

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THE largest flock of imported Lincolns and the largest number of Royal first-prize winners of the breed in America. Representatives of this flock won the first flock prize at Toronto last year, and the championship at London. Over 60 imported sheep now in flock, and over 100 field rams and ewes, purchased in England, to follow soon. A large number of yearling rams and ewes, ram lambs and ewe lambs for sale.

Wm. Howe, North Bruce, Ont., breeder of Large Yorkshire swine, writes: "My stock are doing well. I have sold all the sows referred to in the official write-up in issue of 15th of Aug., but have on hand yet three boars fit for service, bred by J. E. Brethour, Burford; sired by Oak Lodge Royal King (imported) 3044; dam Oak Lodge Pride 6th 3693. They are large, lengthy, and even, and will prove a good investment to whoever gets them."

Mr. James A. Cochrane, Hillhurst, Quebec, writes us regarding the late importation of Hampshire Down sheep for Hillhurst farm. It includes two of the 1st-prize pen of shearing ewes at the Royal Show at York, a ram lamb, and a pair of prize-winning ewe lambs; also 15 shearing ewes from Mr. James Flower, of Chilmark, and a prize-winning ram lamb and a pair of ewe lambs from Mr. Cary Coles, Winterbourne. Some of the above will be at the Toronto Industrial Exhibition, as well as a small lot of Scotch Shorthorns.

A STRONG HERD OF AYRSHIRES. Mr. Robert Hunter, Lachine Rapids, Quebec, six miles from Montreal, as intimated in the advertisement in this issue, intimates that he will exhibit selections from the W. W. Ogilvie herd of Ayrshires at the shows at Toronto, London, and Ottawa. Mr. Hunter visited Scotland last spring, and imported over 20 head of high-class Ayrshires, selected by himself from some of the best herds in Scotland, including the sweepstakes bull and cow at the Scottish spring shows this year. This importation, added to the former herd of 30 imported cows and their produce, makes the Rapids Farm herd one of the very best on the continent. Visitors to the fairs should not fail to see this herd of typical modern Ayrshires, the model dairy cow in dairy form and milk vessel.

A recent inspection of D. C. Platt & Son's great herd of Yorkshire swine at their Summerhill farm at Millgrove, near Hamilton, Ont., enables us to report both the show and breeding stock in prime condition, the former not overdone, but fresh and active, sound on their legs and feet, and giving good promise of usefulness in the breeding harem after the war of the shows is over, and all conforming well to the standard of the ideal bacon hog in length and depth of sides, fleshy backs and muscular hams, while still retaining the most desirable and approved type and character of the breed. Among the stock boars in preparation for the fairs is imported Summerhill Bottesford Wonder, farrowed in Aug., '98, bred by Mr. D. R. Daybell, of Nottingham, England, a hog of wonderful scale and quality, acknowledged by expert judges to be one of the best ever seen in this country, weighing in fair condition over 800 lbs. He was shown only once in England, namely, at Leicester, when 12 months old, in a class of 10 entries, winning second prize in competition with the Royal winners. His sire was also the sire of the 1st and 2nd prize pens of boars and gilts at the Royal Show, and several county shows, in 1898, and 1st for pen of boars, and 2nd for sows at the Royal in 1898, and 1st in 1899. St. Peter, a grand boar bred by Mr. Philo L. Mills, Riddington Hall, England, won 2nd at the Royal in 1899, and comes from Mr. Mills' favorite Miss Wood family.

Another great boar in their show lot is Haskett Jr., probably the largest boar of any breed in Canada, arriving at the Royal at the end of the season in 1899. St. Peter, a grand boar bred by Mr. Philo L. Mills, Riddington Hall, England, won 2nd at the Royal in 1899, and comes from Mr. Mills' favorite Miss Wood family. Among the older matrons in preparation for show are the magnificent imported sows, Miss Hollingworth 59th, 1st prize at the Royal in 1898, in a grand class of 16 entries, and Miss Hollingworth 61th, models of the breed, combining great length and depth of body with fine quality of flesh. The superb yearling sows, Miss Hollingworth 81st and Fancy D., are a pair from the noted herd of Mr. Mills, and Lady Frost and Lady Arston, an equally fine pair, from the famous herd of the Earl of Roseberry, one of the grandest herds of Yorkshires in Britain, make up a quartette of typical representatives of the best stamp of the breed, which it would be difficult to match in any country. A troop of over 50 truly typical breeding sows enjoying their freedom in the orchard, and a grand lot of young boars and sows of spring litters, good enough to make fine foundations for herds, playing in the pens and paddocks, make up a herd holding a prominent place in the front rank of the breed in America. Mr. Platt reports a great season of sales, shipments having been made to all the Provinces and many of the United States, to parties who are founding herds of Yorkshires or needing fresh blood to replenish their stocks.

The Summerhill herd will be represented at the Toronto Exhibition and other leading shows in Ontario this month.

YORKSHIRE AND ESSEX PIGS for sale, of the most approved type. We are offering young breeding stock of both sexes and breeds, and will be at Toronto Fair with a few choice things. Also have a limited number of imported Yorkshire boars and sows, having exceptional quality and valuable blood in their pedigrees. Correspondence invited.

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SALE OF SHROPSHIRE SHEEP.—The greatest sale of Shropshire sheep ever held in America will be made at the sheep pens on the State Fair grounds during the Indiana State Fair, on Wednesday and Thursday, September 19th and 20th. Five hundred head will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder. The sale will be conducted under the auspices of the American Shropshire Association. For particulars, address MORTIMER LEVERING, Secretary, Lafayette, Ind.

Shropshires FOR Sale

Rams and ewes of good breeding, fine lusty fellows. Prices reasonable. —om

ABRAM RUDELL, HESPELER, ONT.

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Mr. W. B. Campbell, Campbellcroft, Ont., is the proud owner of the grand Shorthorn bull, Orange Duke, imported by H. Cargill & Son, Cargill, Ont., and sire of Orange Chief, the highest-priced bull (\$1,510) in the Platt sale at Chicago last month. A worthy son of a worthy sire.

Mr. Robert Garne, the noted English breeder of Cotswold sheep, died July 30th, in his 75th year, at his home at Aldsworth, Gloucestershire, England. He was a fine type of the English gentleman farmer and breeder, and made himself a world-wide reputation by the excellence of the sheep he bred, which have taken a leading place at the Royal Show for many years. His nephew, Mr. W. T. Garne, has for many years been associated with him in the management of the 1,000-acre holding on the Cotswold hills and the grand flock of Cotswolds and herd of Shorthorns, and will continue the business.

JAS. A. CASKEY'S HOLSTEINS.

When in Hastings Co., in July, we made a flying visit to Mr. Jas. A. Caskey, at Madoc, Ont., and in conversation with that gentleman learned that the immense returns yielded by his black and white cows at the factory is arousing a popular interest in favor of the Holstein breed in that already noted dairying section. It will be remembered that Mr. Caskey made a large selection from the noted Stevens herd in New York State, choosing good individuals from the favorite tribes of milk-producers and prizewinners, with which he is meeting with great success. When we called we found the herd in good working shape, and later Mr. Caskey will have a few young things to sell.

IMPORTED HORSES FOR MARITIME PROVINCES.

Hon. T. R. Black, Amherst, N. S., recently landed at Cape Breton an importation of valuable horses for the Nova Scotia Government, which it is said will be sold at the Halifax Exhibition in Sept. The importation includes two Clydesdale colts, Adjutant (10487) and Sirius (10726), two three-year-old mares, and the four Thoroughbred stallions, Honfleur, Cycling, Barby, and Ribbonman. Honfleur and all the Clydesdales were bought from the Messrs. A. & W. Montgomery, and the three younger Thoroughbreds were bought in Yorkshire. Adjutant was bred by Mr. Andrew Montgomery, and was got by the Highland and Royal first-prize horse, Prince Shapely (10111), out of the splendid big mare, Rosie (1499), well known to visitors to Netherhall as the Carlungmare—the dam of Newtonairs and other prizewinning animals, male and female. Sirius was bred at Tinwald Shaws by Mr. Wilson, and was got by Macgregor (1487), out of the fine old breeding mare, Nancy (8667), by Lord Lyon (489), the dam of several prizewinners. One of the mares was bred by Mr. John Montgomery, Comptonend, and the other is bred at Banks. The Thoroughbreds are a well-bred lot—all registered in the General Studbook. The Government of Nova Scotia by these purchases is doing its best for the Province.