

Canada's Premier Combination Sale of SHORTHORNS

At Union Stock Yards

Toronto, Ontario, Wednesday, February 5th, 1919

Listing Fifty-five Lots of Imported and Canadian-bred Shorthorns,
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fifteen in number, and each of the herd-sire sort. Among the families represented are Augustas, Broadhooks, Lady Ann of Lancasters, Missies, Mysies, Jilts, Red and Roan Ladys, Nonpareils, Duchess of Glosters, Clarets, Butterflies, etc. Shorthorn breeders and intending purchasers will find here the best of breeding blended closely with correct type and individuality, making up 55 lots of breeding cattle that should, with very few exceptions, each appeal strongly to those who are buyers of the best.

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Questions and Answers.

1st—Questions asked by bona-fide subscribers to "The Farmer's Advocate" are answered in this department free.

2nd—Questions should be clearly stated and plainly written on one side of the paper only, and must be accompanied by the full name and address of the writer.

3rd—In veterinary questions, the symptoms especially must be fully and clearly stated, otherwise satisfactory replies cannot be given.

4th—When a reply by mail is required to urgent veterinary or legal enquiries, \$1.00 must be enclosed.

Miscellaneous.

Horses Itchy at Manes.

I have a team of horses which appear to be itchy at the mane and tail-head. I have examined them for lice but am unable to find any. The hide looks healthy. What treatment do you advise?

P. M.

Ans.—We cannot account for the itchiness when vermin is not present and the skin is healthy and clean. Sometimes a little eczema appears around the neck and tail. For this it is advisable to drench with 7 drams aloes and 2 drams ginger, and then follow up with 1 ounce Fowlers' solution of arsenic twice daily for a week. It is well to dress the parts twice daily with a warm, 5-per-cent. solution of one of the coal-tar antiseptics. It is possible that some vermin are present. A little oil rubbed on would help to remove them.

Implement Shed and Hay Barn.

I purpose erecting an implement shed and a hay shed in the spring. Will it save lumber if the two are made into one building. What size would the building have to be for a farm of 40 acres cleared, with a four-year rotation? What would be the cost of the lumber required?

W. G.

Ans.—It is rather difficult to state the size of building necessary, as that will depend upon the number of implements kept, and also on the acreage devoted to hay. If you wish a place merely for storing hay you could have it above the implement shed, and thus make one roofing do. The roof is possibly the most

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expensive part of a building, both to erect and maintain. A place 25 by 50 feet will hold a large number of implements, and by making the upper part from 15 to 18 feet high you would have storage for a large quantity of hay. The price of lumber varies considerably, depending on the quality and the closeness to supply.

Pig Dies Suddenly.

1. A pig three months old refused to eat in the morning and died at noon. It was breathing very fast and there was a slight wheezing sound. What was the cause of death? It had black teeth.

2. Which do you consider the better breed of sheep, Oxfords or Shropshires?

J. A. T.

Ans.—1. From the symptoms given it is rather difficult to diagnose the case. Pigs sometimes die very suddenly from apoplexy, which may have been the trouble with your pig. The symptoms are: pig will stop eating suddenly, is restless and may tumble down and revive in a few minutes, or it may succumb. Preventive treatment consists in plenty of exercise when feeding heavily. Removing a pint of blood by tying a cord tightly above the knee and then opening the vein on the inside of the leg sometimes gives relief.

2. Both breeds are popular. The Shropshire is a little shorter-wooled sheep than the Oxford, also a little smaller breed. However, both are good feeders, shear a high-class fleece and dress out a good carcass of mutton.

Reckless.

An Englishman, an Irishman and a Scotchman were sitting in a Pullman car. They were all boasting about who could be the most extravagant and thus trying to fill in the time. The Englishman, to demonstrate his extravagance, took a dollar bill from his pocket, touched a match to it and carelessly lit his pipe with it. The Irishman, not to be beaten, hauled out a five-dollar bill and did likewise. Then the Scotchman, not wishing to be left out of the contest, wrote his check for a thousand dollars and applied it to his pipe.