

Dick put me down again, and presently, after passing through the dense wood, we saw the light glimmering through the trees from the Clearing.

The sight of it raised all my apprehensions again, and all my burning self-denunciation. I had permitted Dick to come home with me; I had even been friendly with him, and had let him take me in his arms and carry me over the plowed land—I whom my mother had trusted!

Silently we passed up the path toward the house, and about us the corn stooks, awaiting the winter hauling, stood black and still. For the first time in my life I dreaded going home, and felt that I should like to hide away in the black shadows.

"Oh, Dick!" I burst out presently, "this is all wrong, wrong! I wish I had never gone to the party! This must never occur again!"

For a moment Dick stood quite still, looking into my face.

"I'm sorry, Peg," he said, stiffly. "If you are going to worry like this, I promise you it will not happen again, if I can prevent it. Good-night."

Abruptly, as had ever been his way when irritated, he left me, while I went to my room to cry over having angered Dick and been false to my mother—and to live over again, in every detail, the events of this, to me, eventful evening.

(To be continued.)

GOSSIP.

SALE DATES CLAIMED.

Jan. 16th.—Joint sale at Woodstock, Ont., Shorthorns.
Feb. 12th.—John E. Disney & Son, Greenwood, Ont., Shorthorns and Clydesdale mares (imported and home-bred).
Feb. 14th.—R. H. Reid & Sons, Pine River, Ont., Shorthorns.
March 3rd.—F. A. Gardner & S. J. Pearson, Son & Co., Britannia, combination sale of Shorthorn cattle.
March 3rd.—S. J. Pearson & Son, Meadowvale, and F. A. Gardner, Britannia, Ont., joint sale of Shorthorns.
March 4th.—Provincial sale of pure-bred cattle, at Guelph.

THE WOODSTOCK SHORTHORN SALE.

A few notes which have come to hand in relation to the cattle to be offered at the combination sale, Jan. 16th, at Woodstock, Ont., to be held under cover at the Caistor House stables, will be of interest. Commencing with the imported young cow, Cinderella, which is a fine red, with a fine coat of hair, bred by J. Young, Tilbouries, Scotland, and imported by H. J. Davis, of Woodstock; she is sired by the Marr bull, King Victor, a richly-bred Lavender, and is from one of Mr. Young's best cows, whose sire was Remus, that has attained a continental reputation as the sire of Choice Goods, that was sold at a record price at Chicago. This heifer is in calf to the Missie bull, Westward Ho (imp.). Another good imported heifer is by the Duthie bull, Sittytton Choice, also bred by Mr. Young, a rich roan of much the same breeding as the former, and in calf to Westward Ho (imp.).

Mr. Davis contributes two good young heifers, about a year old; one is of the Lord-Lovat Merry Lass family, sired by Prince of Navarre (imp.); the other is of the Margaret family of Scotch Shorthorns, sired by Imp. Deeside Chief. In bulls, some extra good ones are offered, including two richly-bred ones recently imported, namely, Nonpareil Chief, bred by A. T. Gordon, Aberdeenshire, a straight-bred Nonpareil, by Fascinator, a first-prize winner at the Highland and Royal Shows. Nonpareil Chief is seventeen months old, and a smooth, even bull, with an excellent head and horn. His mate, Mount Royal (imp.), is bred by C. Strachan, Aberdeenshire, Scotland; calved Nov. 21st, 1906; sired by Royal Fame (87184); a dark roan, with perfect lines and an extra good head; he is of the Marigold family, and is certainly a head-header. The young Canadian-bred bulls that Mr. Davis offers are three or four in color and one roan, about a year old, mostly from imported cows and imported

bulls. They are low-down, blocky fellows, with mellow coats of hair, and are of the Broadhooks, Kibblean Beauty, Claret and Roan Lady families. These young bulls make a high-class offering. Mr. James Innis, of City View Farm, is contributing seven extra fine, growthy bulls, of the Mina and other good sorts, sired by Spicy Count (imp.), Bucephalus of Dalmeny (imp.), and Queen's Counsellor (imp.). These young bulls are mostly red in color; one very fine roan. One is from Imp. Queen of the North, by Queen's Counsellor (imp.), now in Captain Robson's herd. The Mina bulls need no introduction to breeders, as that family is too well known, and the individuals are as good as their breeding. The females that Mr. Innis offers are of top-crossed English-milking strains of Shorthorns that make money for every man, and are either fresh calved, with calves at foot, or soon to calve to the first-prize bull at Toronto, Gem's Lad.

Capt. T. E. Robson contributes a few head, among them being the fine large imported cow, Tilbouries Duchess 3rd, one of the Jilt family, a grand breeder and good milker, in calf to The Queen's Counsellor. Rosedale 20th =5042= is a beautiful cow of the Scotch Rosedale family, a splendid breeder, also in calf to the same bull. Miss Mayflower is a beautiful, thick, fifteen-months-old, roan heifer, one of the celebrated Russell Centennial Isabella family, sired by the Roan Lady bull, Imp. Royal Champion (50082).

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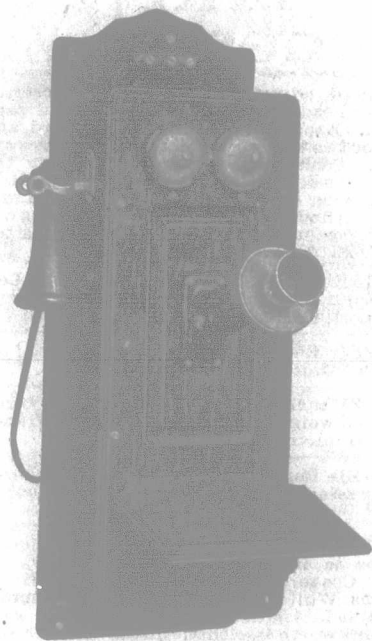
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