GOSSIP

Alex. F. McNiven, Clyde Park Farm, St. Thomas, Ont., writes: You may now inform your readers that one insertion of the advertisement did the business, and sold both the Shire stallion and mare. Matthew H. Penhale, St. Thomas, got the stallion, Holdenby Mack, to ship West. The mare I sold to W. E. Penty, St.

RIDGEDALE FARM HOLSTEINS.

This splendid herd of Holsteins, the property of R. W. Walker & Sons, of Utica, Ont., are coming through the winter in fine shape, and paying a big margin of profit on cost of feed and interest on money invested. The Messrs Walker, in common with practically all the dairy cattle breeders in the Province, have made the start for an official test of their entire herd. At present there are three in the running for qualification, one mature cow and two heifers, the former giving 65 lbs. a day, and the heifers varying from 40 to 44 lbs., testing on an average thus far, 3.8 per cent. of butter-fat. And this represents an average of those milking this winter, on ordinary care and regular feed. The stock bull is Imperial Pauline De Kol, sired by Tidy Abbekirk Mercena Posch, whose dam and sire's dam have records that average 28 lbs. butter in seven days, and on his dam's side, both the dam and grandam are in the official record. For sale, are six young bulls, from one to seven months of age, all got by the stock bull, and two mature cows, in calf to the stock bull. The farm is one mile from Manchester Station, on the Whitby-Port Perry branch of the G. T. R., and five miles from Myrtle Station, C. P. R., and is connected with long-distance 'phone.

THE HUME AYRSHIRES. The great Hume herd of Scotch and Canadian-bred Ayrshire cattle, the property of Alex. Hume & Co., Menie, Ont., were found by a "Farmer's Advocate" representative, when visiting the herd a few days ago, in the best possible condition, and looking every whit what they are, one of the best show herds, and one of the very best producing herds in Canada. For many years this herd has been annually strengthened by importations personally selected by Mr. Hume, and has, therefore, been kept up to a very high standard, with particular attention paid to type and conformation of udder. A number of them are in the official Record of Performance, and a number of others are now in the test, and not one of the lot has tested below 4 per cent. of butter-fat. Among the latter are such good ones as Imp. Stoneycroft Lady Ellen, who was first and reserve champion at Toronto last fall. She is running along from 40 to 44 lbs. of milk per day, and will pass with a big margin. Bargenock Snowdrop (imp.), who was second in the dry-cow class at Toronto in 1909, is also Lady's giving along 44 lbs. a day. Maid is giving on an average of 45 lbs. a day. Clerkland Kate (imp.), who was first as both a two- and three-year-old at Toronto, is giving about the same. Dozens of others that have been imported or bred by Mr. Hume have qualified for the record in other hands, many of them on the other side of the line, two of them now owned by the Ashley Farm, at Media, Pa., were in the quartette that won third in the Home Dairy Test, in competition with a large number of entries from several of the leading dairy States. It is worthy of mention that these two cows were bred by Mr. Hume. It is well known that this herd has for a great many years been singularly successful at the leading shows, particularly Toronto, London and Ottawa, and Mr. Hume is particularly proud of the fact that the great majority of his winnings have been with animals of his own breeding. The present stock bull is Auchenbrain Hercules (imp.), bred in the noted Auchenbrain herd of Robert Wallace. This is an exceptionally choice bull, true and level in his lines, perfect in type, and has high official backing. A limited number of choice heifers and young bulls are for sale. In Yorkshires, for sale, are a few youth, sows of breeding age, and one boar old enough for service, and both sexes to months of age, sired by Alex 29166 on of Imp. S. H. Albert, dam Lady a daughter of Imp. Dalmeny 13th. The sows in breeding Lady

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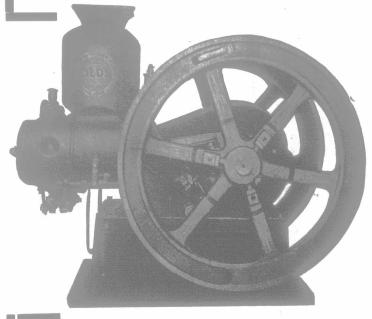
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