

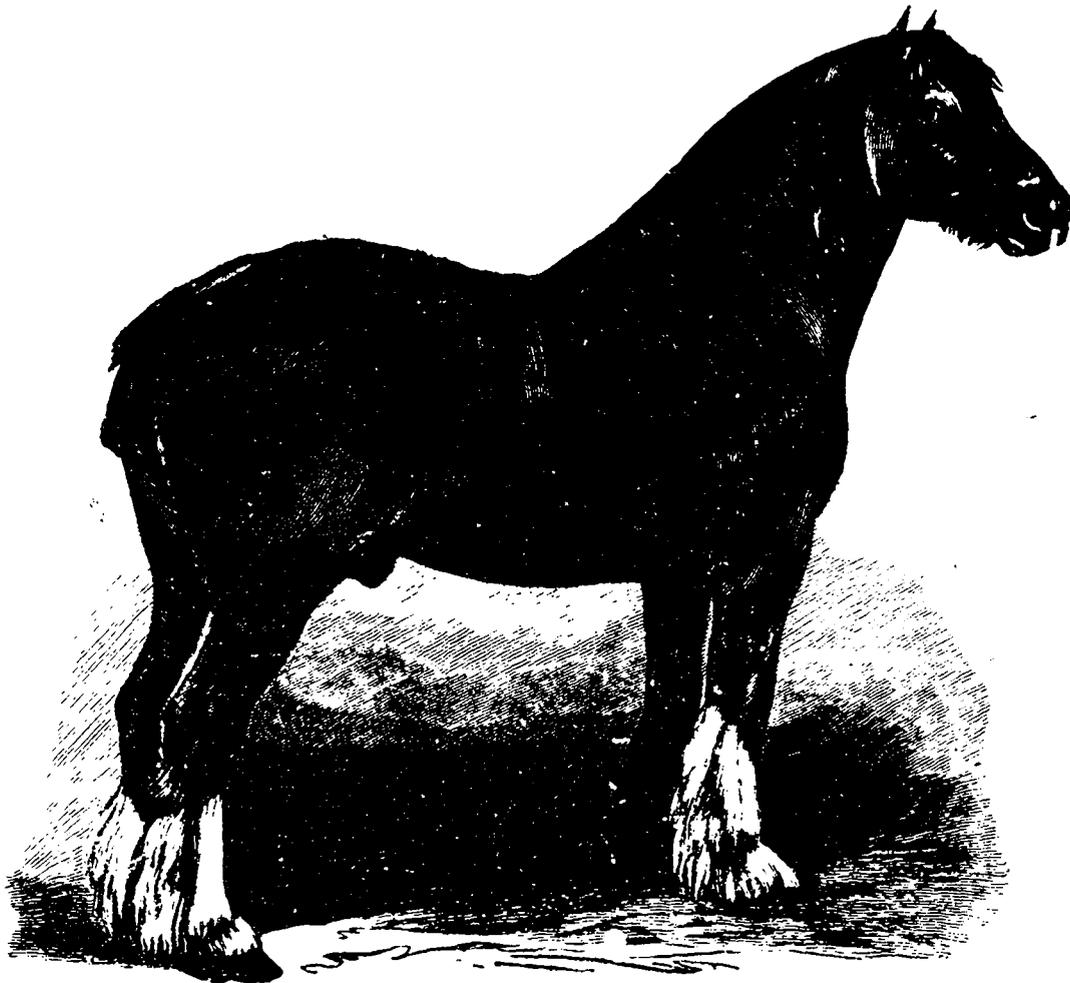
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A SHIRE STALLION.

Imported and Owned by Messrs. Ormsby & Chapman, Springfield-on-the-Credit, Ont.

## Our Illustration.

The illustration that occupies our first page this month is an imported Shire stallion, Commander IV. (7045), from the widely known stud of Messrs. Ormsby & Chapman. As this establishment was described with complete details given in our last issue, we shall briefly confine ourselves to the subject of our sketch. This stallion was sired by Walpole Wonder (8584), and was out of the mare Bonny, by Matchless (1523), so that, in point of breeding, there is but little to be desired. In form this horse approaches near the typical Shire type, being broad and thick, while his bone and muscle are of a high order. In quality he is excellent, being finely furnished in all parts. Strength and substance are qualities that are abundantly his, judging from his muscular development and sturdy appearance. This horse has won a good record for himself in the show-ring, having secured, amongst other awards, 1st at Hamilton Central last year, and 2nd at Toronto Industrial the same year. We would direct the attention of our interested readers to the

extended account of the doings of this energetic firm, and the full description of this stud that appeared in our issue of March.

## Our New Dress.

So many expressions of appreciation have we heard from our friends in respect to the yellow-colored cover of our Christmas number that we became restless with a desire to attach this pleasing feature to our regular issue, and the outcome of this has been that, in unison with nature and her untutored friends, we herald the spring in a brighter tunic. What more appropriate color could we have nailed to our mast? The source of all light is the yellow-tinted sun, and the piercing shafts, radiating from old Sol, that swiftly speed the plant in its work of storing up energy to give activity to animal life, are yellow in hue, and if we can make our luminary symbolic of light for the agriculturist, and if the rays that go out from our dress are half so effective in stimulating the minds of our

readers, no happier choice could have been ours. Then, there is the golden glamour, tinting the autumnal landscape, that is reflected from ripening harvests, which gladdens the heart of the husbandman and wreathes his face in genial smiles; and so, if our monthly harvests meet with as generous and pleasant a reception, no greater meed of reward could follow our new venture.

## Our Schemes.

In the hog-raising and barley-growing competitions we have started well under way, we feel sure that our readers will find much to interest them. To secure the best results from these, we should have the vigorous co-operation of every stockman and farmer, for only by having this may we hope to gather data from the former of benefit to the live stock fraternity, and results from the latter of worth to our farmers. We would ask our friends to not only join in the hog-raising competition if the way is at all clear to do so, but also encourage the boys to enter the other, and thus give them a zest for farm work and life, that will everafter be theirs.