

GOSSIP.

CHANGE OF SALE DATE.

The date for the Combination Sale of Shorthorns, at Woodstock, Ont., by H. J. Davis and others has, owing to the Dominion election, been changed from Sept. 20th to Oct. 11th, further notice of which may be looked for in these columns.

James Begg, St. Thomas, Ont., breeder of Ayrshire cattle, enclosing check for advertising, writes: "The bull ten months old has been sold, and the two-year-old heifer giving 1,074.4 lbs. milk in June, gave 1,084 lbs. in July. Some recent sales have been: Yearling bulls to A. T. Brown, Corinth; Albert Saunders, Petrolia; D. A. Ashworth, Maple Grove; full brother to above-mentioned heifer, to John McLeod, Ridgeway. Under one year, Thos. Dennis, Straffordville; Gordon Gillet, Aylmer; Eugene Gunn, Sparta. One cow to R. R. Ness, Howick, Que. Have a nice lot of 1911 calves with from one to three crosses of R. O. P. blood. Owing to lack of help, I am offering in my advertisement some of my cows and heifers. Address R. R. No. 1, St. Thomas, Ont."

CLYDESDALES AT INVERNESS.

Aged stallions at the Highland and Agricultural Show of 1911 were a specially fine class, never excelled at a Highland Show. Robert Brydon, of Seaham Harbour, was first, with Bonnie Buchlyvie, in his five-year-old form, a bay son of Baron of Buchlyvie, by Baron's Pride, dam by Macgregor, by Darnley, granddam by Prince of Wales (673). A. & W. Montgomery had second and third, with Garty Bonus and British Time. In the three-year-old section, Wm. Dunlop had first award for Dunure Footprint, by Baron of Buchlyvie, James Kilpatrick had second with Craigie Dorando, by Oyama; third was Baron Dollar, bred by J. Ernest Kerr, got by Baron's Pride, and shown by A. & W. Montgomery. In the two-year-old class, first was Wm. Dunlop's Dunure Index, full brother to Dunure Footprint. Messrs. Montgomery had second, with Premier Baron, by Baron's Pride, and Andrew Dewar third, with Fullbardine, by Marmion. Yearling colts were a dozen, and the four tops were simply toppers. Wm. Dunlop had the winner in The Dunure, by Baron of Buchlyvie, dam by Hiawatha; T. Purdie Somerville's Scotland's Favorite was second; Messrs. Montgomery had third, with a son of Everlasting.

The male championship went to the yearling, The Dunure, with Dunure Footprint as reserve. The female championship and Cawdor Cup winner was J. Ernest Kerr's first-prize brood mare, Cicely, by Baron's Pride.

AYRSHIRES AT THE HIGHLAND.

In the class for bulls three years old or over, at the Highland Society's Show at Inverness, the premier award went easily to James Howie's white three-year-old, Sir William, by Howie's Gay Scott, second and third going to Robert Osborne, Morton Mains, for Auchenbrain Pluto, and Valmont. In the two-year-old class, Mr. Howie had first and second, with Ayr Review and Brae Rising Star in the order named, being a reverse of the placing at Ayr and Glasgow this year. In the yearling class, Thos. Barr's Hobsland Masterpiece, by Gillies, was an easy winner, second being Jas. Howie's Aristocrat, the first-prize Ayr winner. Mr. Barr's Aviator was third. The male championship was the first-prize yearling, Hobsland Masterpiece. In the class for aged cows in milk, Mrs. Howie's five-year-old Heather Bell, by Titwood General Hunter, was first. She is described as one of the most typical representatives of the breed alive. Second honors went to Alex. Cross, of Knockdon, for Bridesmaid, and third to W. & J. Kerr's Yellow Bess. Two-year-old heifers were led by Robert Osborne's Morton Mains Memonas, by Butter Scotch. Thos. Barr was second with Hobsland Bell. In yearling heifers, Robert Osborne's home-bred Lanugem was first, and Thos. Barr's entries, Nancy III. and Pretty Poll second and third. The two-year-old heifer, Morton Mains Memonas, was champion female, and grand champion for best Ayrshire.

Lincoln and Cotswold rams, one and two years old, weighing up to 160 lbs., are wanted, as stated in an advertisement in this issue, by J. H. Patrick, Ilderton P. O., Ont., a G. T. R. station twelve miles north of London.

SALE DATES CLAIMED.

Sept. 7th.—At Union Stock-yards, West Toronto, Thompson Porter, 1520 St. Clair avenue, Toronto; Jerseys.
Oct. 11th.—Combination Sale of Shorthorns, at Woodstock, Ont., by H. J. Davis and others.

Hackneys sold for high prices at an auction on August 1st, when the famous stud of R. P. Evans, of Surrey, England, was dispersed, the five-year-old mare, Beckingham Lady Grace, selling for 800 guineas (over \$4,000), while several other mares sold for 300 to 540 guineas. The stallion Evanthus was withdrawn after 950 guineas had been bid for him, the reserve being 1,000 guineas.

CLYDESDALES FOR CANADA.

Exports of Clydesdales for Canada from Glasgow the last week in July and first of August numbered about 80 head, selected and consigned to the following importers: Smith & Richardson, Columbus, Ont.; J. D. Larkin, Queenston, Ont.; James Torrance, Markham; James H. Armstrong, Marathon, Ont.; W. H. Wallace, Viking, Ont.; Geo. Gordon, Oak Lake, Man.; A. A. Cameron, Oak Lake, Man.

Official records of 164 Holstein-Friesian cows have been accepted by the American Association, from June 2nd to June 21st, 1911. This herd of 164 animals, of which over one-half were heifers with first or second calves, produced in seven consecutive days, 67,918.1 lbs. of milk containing 2,352.625 lbs. of butter-fat, thus showing an average of 3.46 per cent. fat. The average production for each animal was 414.1 lbs. of milk containing 14.345 lbs. of butter-fat; equivalent to 57.16 lbs. or 27.2 quarts of milk per day, and nearly 16½ lbs. of the best commercial butter per week.

To hogs, alfalfa hay is usually fed dry. The leaves are more readily eaten than the stems, as they contain more of the nutritive value of the plant. For this reason some farmers save the last cutting of hay for the hogs, because it is more relished. It is eaten up cleaner, as the stems are not so woody, and more food value is found in the leaves. Sometimes the hay is cut up fine, wet, and mixed with other feed, and sometimes it is fed ground, as there are now alfalfa mills scattered throughout the alfalfa regions.—From Coburn's "Swine in America."

TRADE TOPICS.

In another column in this issue there is advertised for sale an excellent stock farm, in the County of Halton. This farm contains 200 acres, and is very conveniently situated, being only one-quarter mile from the County town, Milton, and on the main line of the C. P. R., just thirty-three miles west of Toronto, and on the G. T. R. line only twenty-five miles north of Hamilton. What better situation could be desired for an ideal stock farm? The buildings are commodious, attractive, convenient, and in the best of repair. The dwelling is a substantial, large, stone structure with a slate roof, and is surrounded by beautiful lawns and shade trees. The main barn is 60 feet by 120 feet, with a steel roof. There are numerous other outbuildings, all of which are in excellent condition. The farm is well fenced, and in a first-class state of cultivation. Another feature is thirty acres of bush, which is a very valuable asset to a farm at the present time. Intending purchasers of farm property would do well to inquire about this place, as it usually is more economical to purchase a farm with good buildings, as this one has, than to buy one with buildings which require pulling down and remodeling, which is expensive. Write for particulars to G. R. Cottrelle, 201 Temple Building, Toronto.

SOMETHING TO KNOW.—This is an

age in which every woman should pay more or less attention to her appearance. Neatness and simplicity in dress, care in the manner of dressing the hair, so that it is arranged to suit the owner, and attention to her complexion, all tend to improve the appearance of every woman. The primary move should be in improving the complexion, as a nice gown only accentuates a face trouble. The principals of the Hiscott Dermatological Institute, Hiscott Building, 61 College St., Toronto, are specialists, well known for their successful treatment of all skin, scalp, hair and complexion troubles. To ladies interested, a handsome booklet entitled, "For Appearance Sake," will be mailed on request. A specialty in their work is the permanent removal of superfluous hair and moles.

CANADA BREAD COMPANY, LTD.—

Following on the successful organization in Toronto of Canada Bread Company, Limited, the new big company, which will have its modern plants in all the larger cities of Canada, Cawthra Mulock & Co., members Toronto Stock Exchange, announce an offering of \$1,250,000 of the 6-per-cent. first mortgage sinking fund thirty year gold bonds of the company at 98½, the same to carry with them a bonus of 25 per cent. of common stock. Canada Bread Company, Limited, starts out with plants in Montreal, Toronto and Winnipeg, and these will be added to forthwith, so as to bring the total output of the different plants up to one million loaves of bread per week before the end of the company's fiscal year. The \$1,000,000 being placed in the treasury will be sufficient, according to Mark Bredin, the vice-president and general manager, to gradually increase the company's output to two million loaves a week, which would make an annual production of one hundred million loaves. On the present plants and additional ones that will be erected forthwith, Mr. Bredin estimates that the earnings of the company by the end of the fiscal year should amount to \$260,000, equal to over three and one-half times the interest requirements on the entire bond issue, and with its present capital should steadily expand until its earnings reach over \$530,000 a year, which is equal to over seven times the bond interest. With a view of making the bonds more particularly popular with small investors, the company has arranged to issue them in denominations of \$100, as well as of \$500 and \$1,000.

The Ideal Concrete Machinery Company, of South Bend, Indiana, and London, Ont., have recently published their July illustrated bulletin, "Ideal Ideas." A neat cut of the Model "A" cement block machine appears on the front page. This machine is equipped with scraper and finisher attachments, core actuator and automatic power tamper, which allows of greatly increasing the output, and thus reduces the cost of manufacturing, it is claimed, practically fifty per cent. Hand labor is thus eliminated in making cement blocks, and uniformity and perfection are insured. Tycerte blocks made with these machines possess all the advantages of well-made concrete, and in addition are absolutely waterproof, and may be produced in any face design or in colors. Some new molds are illustrated for silo blocks, and for porch spindles. A cement block mantle, the blocks of which were made in an "Ideal" machine, is a feature of the pamphlet. This mantle, judging from the cut, is just as neat and attractive as a mantle could be. The importance of having a few extra face plates, such as horizontally tooled, vertically tooled, panel, lattice, bush hammered and Ashler, with various margins, and also stucco sets, is emphasized. These lend such a variety to the facings that many extra sales can be made, because there can be made from these a selection of a facing that would suit the most fastidious. It is wonderful the number of uses that the blocks have, and it is more wonderful that so many really very fine building details can be made complete by machinery alone. The "Ideal" people will be glad to mail their catalogue, No. 20, to anyone interested in cement block machines.

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.

Veterinary.

SWELLING ON FETLOCK—
INJURY TO LEG.

1. Colt three months old has a hard swelling on his fetlock joint, and he is slightly lame.
2. Horse got hind leg hurt, and the limb is swollen between fetlock and hock.
J. R.

Ans.—1. Get a liniment composed of 4 drams each of iodine and iodide of potassium and 4 ounces each of alcohol and glycerine. Rub a little of this well into the swelling once daily. Have patience, as such enlargements are hard to reduce.
2. Get a liniment made of 1 ounce each of tincture of arnica and tincture of iodine, 2 drams gum camphor, 4 ounces extract of witchhazel, and water to make a pint. Rub well with this three times daily, and keep a bandage on when not working.
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Miscellaneous.

CUTTING NOXIOUS WEEDS.

A and B are neighbors. On B's farm a great number of thistles grow, the seed of which blow over on A's farm. Can A compel B to cut the thistles; and, if so, how should he proceed?
Ontario.
J. M.

Ans.—Yes. The Council of the municipality may appoint an inspector or inspectors, and it is the inspector's duty to notify the owner or occupant of the land on which the weeds are growing, in writing, requiring that the weeds be cut down and destroyed within ten days from the service of the notice. In case the weeds are not cut, the inspector may enter upon the land and cause such weeds to be destroyed with as little damage as possible to the growing crop, or the inspector may lay information before a justice of the peace as to the neglect, and the owner or occupant shall, upon conviction, be liable to a penalty of a fine of not less than \$5 nor more than \$20 for each offence, but no inspector has the power to cut down or destroy noxious weeds on any land sown with grain. The occupant or owner of the land must bear the expense in case the inspector causes the weeds to be cut.

COWS HAVE SORE EYES.

Could you tell me what is wrong with my herd of cows, and give a remedy for same? The trouble seems to be going through the herd, five of them having it now. A scum seems to come over the eye, which runs a matterly liquid. Some have one eye affected; others both eyes. I understand my neighbor's cattle have been troubled with the same thing.
A. L. S.

Ans.—It is likely that the cattle have infectious ophthalmia. Separate the sound animals from diseased, and do not expose the healthy animals to the disease by allowing them to run on pastures or in buildings where cattle suffering from the malady have been or are kept. Keep the diseased animals in comfortable, well-ventilated stables, and do not allow the sun's rays to strike their eyes. Purge each with one pound Epsom salts and one ounce ginger. Bathe the eyes well with warm water twice daily, and after bathing put a few drops of the following lotion into each eye, viz.: Sulphate of atropia, 10 grains; sulphate of zinc, 10 grains; distilled water, 2 ounces. The stables should be disinfected with a coat of hot lime wash, with five-per-cent. carbolic acid.

WISE JOHNNY.

Teacher—"Now, Johnny, suppose I should borrow \$100 from your father and should pay him \$10 a month for ten months, how much would I then owe him?"
Johnny—"About \$3 interest."