

flowers, such as heliotrope, mignonette and myrtle, mix well with everything; but usually it is better to group flowers with their kind—roses in one glass, geraniums in another, and not try to make them agree in companies.

When you do mix flowers, be careful not to put colors that clash side by side. Scarlets and pinks spoil each other; so do blues and purples, and yellows and mauves. If your vase or dish is a very large one, to hold a great number of flowers, it is a good plan to divide it into thirds or quarters, making each division perfectly harmonious within itself, and then blend the whole with lines of green or white, and soft, neutral tints. Every group of mixed flowers requires one little touch of yellow to make it vivid; but this must be skillfully applied. It is good practice to experiment with this effect. For instance, arrange a group of maroon, scarlet and white geraniums with green leaves, and add a single blossom of gold-colored calceolaria; you will see at once that the whole bouquet seems to flash out and become more brilliant.

Be Neat.

Young ladies, if they only knew how disgusting to men slovenliness is, and how attractive are displays of neatness and taste, would array themselves in the simplicity and cleanliness of the lilies of the field; or, if able to indulge in costly attire, they would study the harmonious blending of colors which nature exhibits in all her works. A girl of good taste and habits of neatness can make a more fascinating toilet with a shilling calico dress, a few cheap ribbons and laces, and such ornaments as she can gather from the garden, than a vulgar, tawdry creature who is worth thousands, and has the jewelry and wardrobe of a princess.

LATE EMERALD.—Rev. E. P. Roe, of Cornwall, on the Hudson, N. Y., U. S., kindly forwarded some specimens of the above new variety of gooseberry. We regret very much that they reached us much decomposed, but should judge them a very large variety and of excellent flavor. They are highly spoken of—said to be very productive and free from mildew. Try the Late Emerald.

THE PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION.—The coming Provincial Exhibition of the Agricultural and Arts Association of Ontario, to be held at London in September, gives promise of being superior to any of its predecessors. The preparations for the Exhibition are being pushed rapidly forward. The greater portion of the horse stalls have been completed, and the cattle stalls, &c., are also nearly completed. Dr. Brown, of Eminence, Ky., the owner of the well-known Gold-dust stock, has intimated his intention of forwarding a number of thorough-breds, roadsters, saddle and carriage horses, as well as a few fillies, for competition at this year's Exhibition. Other United States breeders will, it is believed, forward horses for competition also. Every effort is being made to have all the arrangements as complete as possible. The entries, from all accounts, will be the most numerous ever received at any Exhibition in Canada.

THE LOCUST PLAGUE.—Messrs. Rand, McNally & Co., publishers, of Chicago, U. S., have our best thanks for a copy of "The Locust Plague in the United States." It is exceedingly readable, has many illustrations, and from the world-wide fame of its author, Prof. C. V. Riley, State Entomologist of Missouri, it is unnecessary to enumerate its great value and general merits. Price, in paper covers, only \$1.

FORTUNE SAVINGS ASSOCIATION.—This association, whose advertisement appears in the usual column, offers to depositors many advantages over the usual loan and savings societies. Depositors participate in all the profits, which are divided periodically, and are over and above the 5 and 6 per cent. usually given; that is, one secures 5 or 6 per cent. at the division of profits gets a further share. The funds of the Association are invested in Trustees for the benefit of the depositor. Being on the improved mutual principle, the shareholders are the depositors, and all have an equal voice in the management. No director, trustee or official is entitled either directly or indirectly to a loan from the Association, but every member or depositor can obtain one upon furnishing satisfactory security. The Directors and Trustees are gentlemen of unimpeachable integrity, and we cordially recommend the claims of the Association to the attention and patronage of our readers.

DENNIS' POTATO DIGGER.—The attention of our readers is directed to the advertisement of Dennis' Potato Digger in the usual column. This implement won the highest Centennial medal at Philadelphia last year, is in practical use in numerous places in the Dominion, and gives excellent satisfaction. It has a double mould board attachment and is light, durable and well made.

FARM ENGINES.—E. Leonard & Sons offer an excellent farm engine at low prices. See advertisement, and examine their work at the Provincial Exhibition.

Patrons of Husbandry.

Sub. Granges.

609, Plainfield—Albert Jones, M., Cannifton; Jno. Hicks, S., Plainfield. 610, Wolford—Herman McCrea, M., Easton's Corners; Geo. Hutton, S., Easton's Corners.

Division Granges.

41, Prince Edward—Lewis T. Leavens, M., Bloomfield; D. S. Hubbs, S., Bloomfield.

Stock Notes.

The sale of the Prince of Wales' Shorthorns, Jersey cattle, and Southdowns, took place at Sandringham on the 14th ult. Thirty-eight Shorthorn cows and bulls realized £1,321, and twelve Jersey cattle were sold for £276. Forty-eight guineas was the highest price for a Shorthorn. The Southdowns consisted of one hundred and ninety ewes of different ages, and nineteen rams and ram lambs; these realized £989. The total receipts were £2,586.

The well-known Hereford herd of Mr. Wm. Tudge, of Adforton, Herefordshire, England, numbering 100 breeding cows and heifers, and 20 young bulls, is to be sold at auction without reserve, on the 19th of September. Commissions to purchase may be sent to the salesmen, Messrs. Rogers & Hamer, Bucknell, Salop, England.

The London *Agricultural Gazette* considers "the steady increase in the demand for, and therefore in the prices of pure-bred Jerseys, one of the most noteworthy of recent facts for cattle-breeders."

Mr. George Fox, who was known in the United States a few years ago as one of the late A. T. Stewart's partners, has now retired from business, and is living at Elmhurst, near Litchfield, Staffordshire, England. He is engaged largely in breeding short-horned cattle on his estate, which is extensive and abounding in pasture lands. His first annual public sale of Shorthorn cattle took place July 11. It was a draft sale of 47 pure-bred beasts, and excited the most animated bidding. The "Second Cambridge Lady," one of the Rose of Sharon family, brought eleven hundred guineas. The entire sale yielded about thirty-five thousand dollars. The sale was preceded by a luncheon, at which the Duke of Manchester occupied the chair. The evening before the sale Mr. Fox entertained at dinner the Duke of Manchester, the Earl of Bective, Lord Moreton and twenty other guests in the beautiful old hall on his estate, which has a claim on history, having given shelter and protection to the Royalists during the siege of Lichfield.

A valuable lot of Shorthorn cattle were shipped to Liverpool last month. They were from the Hon. H. M. Cochrane's herd at Hillhurst, Canada, and include some splendid specimens of pedigree cattle, numbering 36 in all. They will be sold by auction early in September at Milbeckstock, Rowness, Windermere, by Mr. John Thornton, the well-known Shorthorn auctioneer. Last year a draft from the same farm was disposed of, and realized very high prices, an average of about £205 each, and it is expected that this consignment will meet with equal favor at the hands of English buyers, for it comprises many valuable beasts. Amongst these may be mentioned the Third and Fifth Dukes of Hillhurst, the Second Duke of Hillhurst, own brother to the first Duke of Hillhurst, by Lord Dunmore's Sixth Duke of Geneva, which has been for some time past in the possession of Col. Kingscote, M. P., the present Chairman of the Royal Agricultural Society. As some very choice young animals from one of the best known herds in Scotland—that of Mr. Simon Beattie will be disposed of at the same time, the sale will probably attract a large number of influential breeders, and no doubt the average price obtained by Mr. Cochrane's consignment will be equal to that of last year.

A copy of the *Shetland Times* of July 14th, states that Mr. Robert Rescor, of Markham, Canada, shipped from that Port on the 12th ult., by the steamer St. Clair, one hundred pure-bred Shetland ponies, "considered to be the best and handomest lot of ponies that ever left the Shetland Islands."

Messrs. B. B. Groom & Son, of Clark County, Ky., have sold to Hon. C. H. Andrews, of Youngstown, Ohio, the Shorthorn bull 5th Duke of Vinewood, for \$2,500, with the following cows and heifers: Red Rose, Cambridge Queen 4th, Duenna Duchess 9th, Loman of Vinewood, Loman of Clifton, Bright Eyes 9th, and 2d Duke's Gem. Also, Mr. Alexander McIntock, of Bourbon, has purchased in New York and the Eastern States, 16 Jersey cows and heifers and 2 bulls, several of them from the herd of W. D. Dinsmore, Staatsburgh, Duchess Co., New York.

VALUABLE SHEEP SOLD.—We notice that Mr. James Healy, of Grove Farm, Adelaide, recently shipped his Lincoln ram Victory to Mr. P. H. Vories, of Valley Farm, Carroll County, Ky.; price paid, \$100. Victory is one of the flock of successful prize-takers which Mr. Healy showed at the Centennial last year.

Ivan Waterspoon, Esq., Montreal, has sold the Ayrshire cow Albion (No. 531, N. A. A. R.) and her calf Eve, by Prince Royal III., to Judge Ramsay, of the Manor House, St. Helens, P. Q.; and the heifer Adeline Patti (No. 524, N. A. A. R.) to Andrew Allan, Esq., of Montreal.

Mr. Seth Heacock, Kettleby, Canada, has met with rather a serious loss this summer. His Bates bull, Fidget's Oxford 5th, bred by Hon. Ezra Cornell, Ithaca, N. Y., died on June 5th. He had been sick most of the winter with liver and lung disease. He was calved April 17th, 1873, and therefore only four years old—just in his prime.

Attention is directed to the advertisement this month by Messrs. John Snell's Sons, Edmonton, Canada, of their new importation of Cotswold sheep and Berkshire swine, selected in person in Great Britain by Mr. J. G. Snell. The stock landed in Quebec in perfect health, Aug. 6th, and after a quarantine of eight days, proceeded to their destination, which they reached in excellent condition and appearance.

Commercial.

London Market.

FARMERS' ADVOCATE OFFICE,
London, Aug. 31.

All kinds of grain and market produce arriving freely; prices well maintained, with a good demand and a ready sale. The tendency of the markets is slightly upward.

GRAIN.—Dehl, new, \$1.90 to \$2.05; Treadwell, \$1.85 to \$2.00; Red Winter, \$1.75 to \$1.90; Spring Wheat, \$1.40 to \$1.80; Barley, 90c. to \$1; Peas, 90c. to \$1; Oats, 85c. to \$1; Corn, 90c. to \$1.10; Rye, \$1; Buckwheat, 80c. to \$1; Beans, \$1 to \$1.37.

FLOUR.—XXX, per 100, \$3.50 to \$3.75; Fall Wheat, do., \$3.25 to \$3.50; Spring Wheat, do., \$3 to 3.25.

FRUIT.—Apples, per bushel, 60c. to \$1.12.

PRODUCE.—Eggs, per dozen, 12c. to 14c; Roll Butter, fresh, 13c. to 20c.; Tub Butter, 15c. to 18c.; Cheese, factory, 8c.; Hay, per ton, \$12 to \$13; Straw, per load, \$2 to \$4; Turnips, 25c.; Carrots, 25c. to 30c.; Potatoes, new, per bag, 50c.; Onions, per bushel, 75c. to 90c.; Tallow, 6c. to 7c.; Tallow, rough, 4c.; Lard, per lb., 10c. to 12c.; Wool, 30c. to 31c.

HIDES.—Hides, 6c. to 7c.; Sheep Skins, 30c. to 60c.; Lamb Skins, 50c. to 80c.; Calf Skins, green, per lb., 10c. to 11c.; Calf Skins, dry, per lb., 12c. to 13c.

LIVE STOCK.—Cattle, per 100 lbs., live weight, \$3 to \$4; Sheep, each, \$4 to \$5; Lambs, each, \$2 to \$3; Milch Cows, each, \$30 to \$40.

Toronto Market.

Toronto, Aug. 28.

The following are the street prices:—Barley, 60c. to 68c.; Wheat, Spring, \$1.08 to \$1.11; Red Winter, \$1 to \$1.05; Treadwell, \$1.10; Dehl, \$1.13 to \$1.14; Oats, 35c. to 36c.; Peas, 67c. to 70c.; Flour, Superfine, \$4.75; Spring Extra, \$5.25; Extra, \$6.50; Superior, \$6.75; Butter, 14c. to 15c.; Wool, 30c. to 31c.

Liverpool Markets.

Liverpool, Aug. 31.

Flour, 32s.; Wheat, Red, 12s.; Red Winter, 12s. 3d.; White, 12s. 4d.; Club, 13s.; Corn, new, 27s.; Peas, 37s. 6d.; Pork, 50s.; Lard, 44s.; Beef, 97s. 6d.; Bacon, 38s.; Tallow, 41s. 3d.; Cheese, 56s.

Chicago Markets.

Aug. 30.—Wheat active and firm; No. 1 Spring, \$1.10; No. 2 Spring, \$1.10 cash, \$1.00 to \$1.00; Aug., 90c. to 90c. Sept., 90c. to 97c. Oct.; No. 3 do., \$1.03; rejected, 87c. Corn fairly active; 42c. cash, 42c. to 42c. Sept., 42c. Oct.; rejected, 40c. Oats in good demand; 23c. cash and Sept., 23c. to 24c. Oct.; rejected 19c. Rye stronger; 52c. Barley firmer; 65c. Pork firmer and unchanged. Lard fairly active; \$5.50 to \$5.52 cash and Sept., \$5.40 to \$5.42 Oct.

New York Market.

Aug. 30.—Wheat is to 2c. to 2c. better; receipts 96,000 bushels; sales 200,000 bushels; at \$1.39 to \$1.39 1/2 for No. 2 winter red Aug. Rye steady. Corn a shade stronger; fair inquiry; receipts 370,000 bushels; sales 40,000 bushels; 54c. to 56c. Barley dull. Oats declining; receipts 110,000 bushels; sales 21,000 bushels; 22c. to 36c. for mixed western and State; 32c. to 42c. for white do. Pork firmer; \$12. Lard firm; \$8.75 to \$8.80. Butter 13c. to 25c.

Live Stock Markets.

Chicago, Aug. 25.—The *Dropers' Journal* this afternoon reports as follows:—Cattle—The market is active. Choice natives and Texans are 10c. to 1c. higher. Common are strong at \$2.25 to \$3. All good to choice stock was sold. Live Hogs—Sales of Philadelphia hogs at \$5.10 to \$5.20; medium to good at \$4.85 to \$5. Light are 5c. higher, or \$5.30 to \$5.35. Packers are quiet at \$4.50 to \$4.80. All sold.

Buffalo, Aug. 23.—The cattle market was dull and demand light. Sheep and Lambs The market was dull for Western sheep. Fair to good clipped sheep at \$4.25 to \$4.40, best at \$4.70 to \$4.85. Hogs The market was dull and slow. Good Yorkers at \$5.30 to \$5.40; heavy do. at \$5.40 to \$5.50.

Montreal Cattle Market.

Aug. 28. There was a pretty large supply of beef critters offered for sale at this market to-day. The sales were rather slow and prices are again declining, as butchers seem to have about enough of cattle bought for their present wants. There were about a dozen milch cows offered for sale; none of them could be considered first quality, and very few sales were made. There were about 200 old sheep and as many lambs offered for sale on this market to-day. The general price of lambs to-day was from \$2.50 to \$3 each. Several lots of good lambs were sold on the arrival of the market boats yesterday, at \$3 per head, and a few superior animals at \$3.25 each. There were about a score of old lean hogs and half a dozen young ones offered at this market to-day. The price at which the old hogs were sold was from \$7 to \$8.50; young pigs six weeks old sold at \$1.50 each.