

STOCK GOSSIP.

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W. H. & C. H. McNish, "Elm Grove Farm," Lyn, Ont., write:—"We have just added to our herd of Guernseys 10 head, personally selected with great care from the fine herd of E. R. Brow, Charlottetown, P. E. I. Mr. Brow is one of the pioneer importers of this grand dairy breed, and, previous to our selection, had the largest herd in the Dominion. In 1886 Mr. Brow imported the grand cow Adele III. 3895, which gave 41 pounds milk per day on dry feed in February as a three-year-old, testing 5.5. She is a regular breeder, having produced seven heifer calves, three of which we are fortunate enough to own. Linda of Eastview 4801 is another marvelous cow, and a pillar of Mr. Brow's herd. She has given 45 pounds of milk a day on grass alone, testing 5.1 per cent. fat. We secured three daughters and one granddaughter of this great cow, which, although getting up in years, does her share in the production of that beautiful golden butter. This addition to our herd gives us the largest and most carefully selected herd of Guernseys in the Dominion. We intend showing at Kingston, Toronto, London, Montreal, Ottawa, and the dairy show at Gananoque, where we will be pleased to meet our friends and all interested in the production of gilt edge butter and bacon. Our pigs have done well, and we have forty of the best young boars and sows we ever offered to the fall trade. People who want either show pigs or breeders should write us. We also have two grand Guernsey bull calves for sale. Note our change of advertisement."

AYRSHIRES AT BURNSIDE FARM.

Burnside Farm is situated but a short distance from Howick Station, P. Q., and it is at this farm that Messrs. Robertson & Ness have succeeded in establishing one of the choice Ayshire herds of Canada. Representatives from this herd did much towards upholding the honor of Canada at the World's Fair, Chicago, in the Ayshire classes, having won a number of firsts and other prizes. A number of the best animals of the herd were in the stables at the time of our visit, and are again being put in shape for the fairs this fall, and, from appearances, we expect they will sustain the credit of the Burnside herd. The two-year-old stock bull Lockerby Lick is in fine trim, has a soft, pliable skin, and is well up in all the points necessary to the production of good dairy stock. A grand yearling bull was seen, full brother to the sweepstakes bull at Chicago. We expect to hear good accounts of this bull later on. Among the cows, Jessie of Burnside is a grand one. This cow won first in her class at Chicago, and was in the first prize aged herd. She, with her mate, Eva of Burnside, were first as a pair, and were two of the four, the greatest of one sire, that won first at Chicago. Bell Hamlin is a very fine three-year-old that stood fourth in the yearling class at the Columbian. Budd of Burnside is a credit to the breed as a two-year-old, and will be hard to beat. She was first as a calf at the World's Fair, and first as a yearling all round, last season. Queenie of Burnside is another good two-year-old that compares favorably with her mate, also a winner. Silver Maid is a rare, good yearling, by Silver King. This heifer was able to make a clean sweep of it wherever shown last fall, and no doubt she will do her best this year to sustain her reputation. Many other very choice animals were seen, and the herd in general is in good shape, and are of a uniform color and conformation. Ayshire fanciers will have an opportunity at the leading fairs of examining representatives from this herd; and visitors will always be welcome at Burnside Farm.

MR. McALLUM'S AYRSHIRES.

During our visit in Quebec we had the pleasure of calling on Mr. A. McCallum, of Danville, P. Q., and spending a few hours among his high class Ayshires (of which there are some fifty registered animals, and also some good high-grades), and it is seldom that one will see as many choice individuals in a large herd as at Mr. McCallum's. The herd was first founded by selections from the herds of Mr. Wm. Rodden, of Plantagenet, President of the Ayshire Breeders' Association of Canada; Mr. Robinson, and the late Thos. Brown, and importations. Some of the best cows we noticed were: Derby of Petite Cote (5368), by Traveller (1441); Scotland, dam Derby of Bogside 3623, bred by Andrew Mitchell, of Bercheskie, a model dairy cow, a winner at Sherbrooke in 1892, and the mother of a fine bull calf this year; Lady Grey 4th (4024), from Lady Grey (imp.), and by Laird of Plantagenet (4024); Moss Rose (4734), by Hanlan of Howick (3482), dam Florina (3552); Sybal 3rd (4657), by Royal Charlie (4516), dam Sybal 2nd (4025). These are cows of a model Ayshire type; while in Danville Blossom they have a very heavy milk, having averaged fifty pounds of milk a day that tested 4 per cent. butter-fat, and a sweepstakes cow at Sherbrooke. Maud Spotty (4833), by Earl of Plantagenet, is a cow whose progeny have proved extra good. Rose Bud (4631), by Earl of Plantagenet, dam Jess of Ottawa (4027), we also considered a very worthy cow. An extra good cow is Hatty 5th (5170), well marked and a good milk, by Solomon (6166), dam Hatty 11th. We liked this cow fully as well, if not better than any in the herd. A two-year-old bull, Lord Derby (6501), by Silver King, dam Derby of Petite Cote and granddam Derby of Bogside, is being used on the herd. He is of a first-class dairy conformation, of fashionable color, and should show well in the ring. A good yearling coming two this fall is Baron of Danville (6613), by Baron Renfrew (imp.) (5862), dam Moss Rose. In the next stall were two exceedingly fine bull calves. One by Lord Derby we considered extra fine, good size, well formed, of fashionable color, and very stylish. The other is rather darker in color, while in points he is almost equally as good. This one is by Baron Renfrew (imp.), dam Arabella. Some sixteen fine yearling heifers are now on hand; and a number of good bull and heifer calves were seen. As will be seen in our advertising columns, Messrs. Greenshield and McCallum intend holding a joint sale later on in the season, when a number of the choicest animals of this herd will be offered (without reserve), including most of the above cows. This will be a grand opportunity for breeders to add fresh blood to their herds, or for new beginners to start by.

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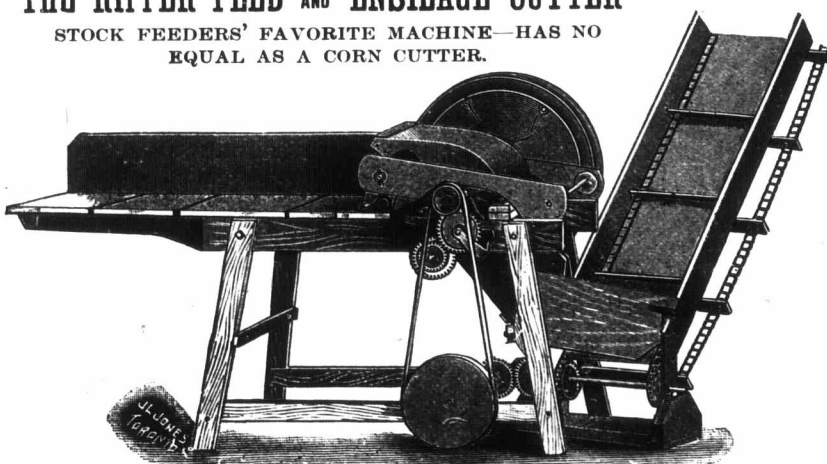
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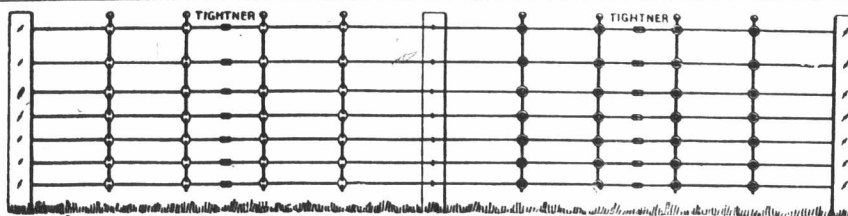
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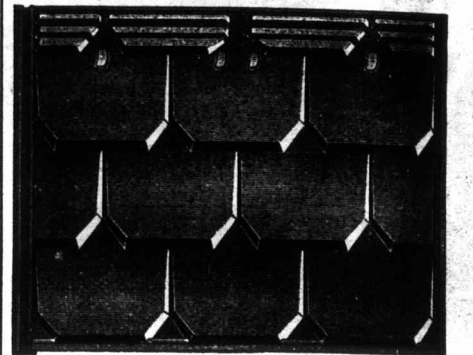
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