

STOCK GOSSIP.

Mr. C. M. Simmons, Shorthorn breeder, Ivan, Ont., has received the following from Mr. Wm. Young, Secretary of the King's Co. (Nova Scotia) Agricultural Society:—"Enclosed please find draft in payment for bull, 'Shields,' who arrived safely, and is now in excellent health and condition, quick and active. We (the members of the Society) are all well satisfied with him. I think he is the best bull on the flanks that I ever saw, but not quite so flat on the quarters or ramp as some we have had here." Mr. Simmons reports business brisk this season, only a couple of good young bulls ready for use now being left on hand. The females and the two-year-old bull shown at the Toronto Industrial last fall have all gone on nicely, and this season's crop of calves are full of promise—the sort that grow into luscious prize-winners.

PURE-BRED VS. SCRUB.

In advocating the use of pure-bred vs. scrub boars, the following estimate is made in a recent bulletin issued by the Mississippi Exp. Station: "It is estimated that a male will get 100 pigs the first year, and these will be worth \$3 to \$5 more each at killing time than scrubs, and thus a \$50 hog will pay \$200 to \$500 on the investment in a single year."

CHERRY GROVE STOCK FARM.

John Morgan & Sons, Kerwood, Ont., write: "The demand for good young bulls has been good the past fall and winter. We sold six for fairly good prices: one extra good one left yet. Our stock are all in good shape. Straw for bedding is a thing of the past. I have added to my herd this winter, as a stock bull, Vice-Regent, by Aberdeen (imp.), dam by Vice-Consul (imp.); bred by John Miller, of Markham. He is a very promising young animal, which I think will cross well on my Indian Chief stock. My experience teaches that the best pay the best."

NOTICES.

As Arbor Day approaches there should be no hesitation in doing something in the way of beautifying the home and school surroundings. To do this trees are necessary, and to obtain Scotch pine and Norway spruce at very low prices should be the object of every man who has the manipulation of his own or public funds. The spring catalogue of evergreens, European larch, etc., sent out by D. Hill, Dundee, Ills., U.S.A., makes some unprecedented offers in trees of all sizes.

Our sheepmen are fast adopting the custom of dipping their flocks a few weeks after shearing, and the results certainly justify the small expense and trouble. Others make it a rule to apply the dip whenever they see ticks—a very safe plan. Of the various compounds offered to the public the Cooper Sheep Dip appears to possess a unique record based on the experience of a host of successful shepherds. Those who have used it report a great improvement in the condition of the flock, and many an increased weight of wool, while others state that their clips brought higher prices. The advertisement of this Dip is in our columns in this issue.

BOOK TABLE.

Frederick L. Houghton, Secretary and Editor for the American Holstein-Friesian Cattle Breeders' Ass'n, has sent us the 15th volume of their Herd Book, which contains the pedigrees of bulls Nos. 20,803-21,894, and of cows Nos. 35,440-37,972. It contains, besides the information necessary to such works, a schedule of prizes for officially authenticated butter records. The volume is well bound, clearly printed, and systematically compiled. It reflects great credit upon Mr. Houghton.

The Department of Agriculture, Washington, U. S. A., has recently issued a publication entitled "Arbor Day: Its History and Observance." The book contains a large amount of information as to the value of trees, and a full account of the origin and history of Arbor Day; also suggestions for Arbor Day celebrations. A number of papers relate to tree planting, giving methods of planting, etc. It is illustrated with engravings of trees, landscapes, school grounds, and other objects, which explain and enforce the teaching of the text. School trustees and teachers would find it a very useful little volume to have on hand.

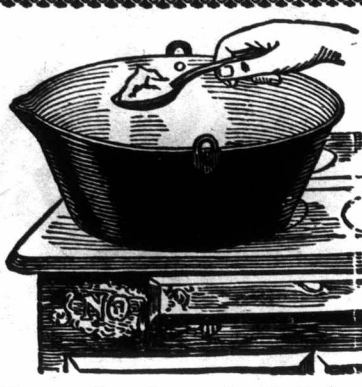
The London (Eng.) Hackney Horse Society uses the most perfect exhibition catalogue of entries we have yet seen. We have received from the accommodating secretary, Henry F. Euren, 12 Hanover Square, London, W. Eng., a copy of the last one issued, being prepared for the show held on March 3rd to 6th. We would first notice that the book is substantially and attractively bound in red boards with gilt lettering. It contains a full list of officers, summary of prizes, champion cups and medals of exhibits. The entries are numbered and named, and the sire and dam, owner or breeder of each is given. One of the very desirable features which we regard as a great convenience is a margin, occupying about a third of each page, for visitors' notes. A copy of this volume should be in the hands of every exhibition board to be imitated in many of its desirable features.

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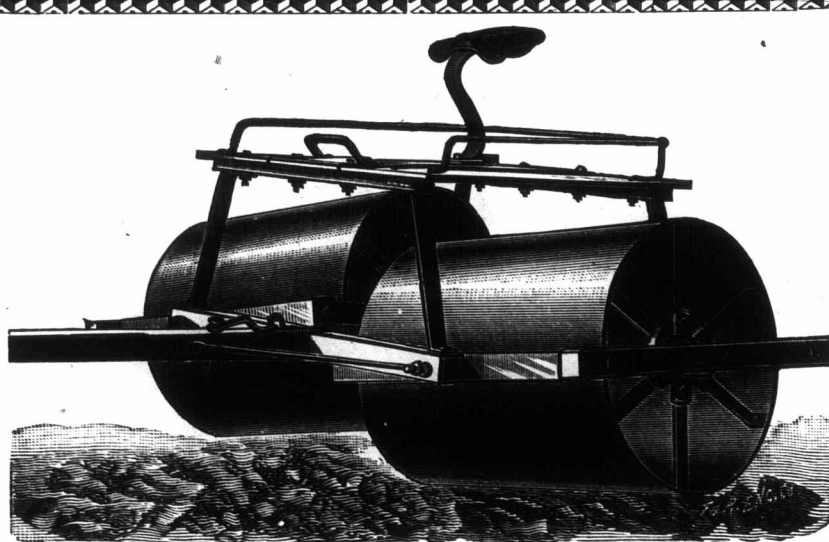
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