

Dam Pink Thorn Leaf, by Baron Booth, (21212)
 gr dam Windsor Lavender Leaf, by
 Windsor, (14013)
 gr gr dam Lavender Leaf, by Sylvan King, (13819)
 gr gr gr dam Lavender, by Silk Laddie, (10947)
 gr gr gr dam Myrtle, by Rouge, (5012)
 gr gr gr gr dam Tulip by Chance, (3329)
 gr gr gr gr gr dam Leaf, by Barton, (3250)
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 of Comet.

Mr. Cochrane has recently enriched his herd by the purchase from Mr. Pawlett of two yearling heifers "Rose of June" and "Princess" at 100 guineas each, and his stock manager, Mr. Simon Beattie, is about to visit England again with a view of making other purchases. We are glad to learn that the stock at "Hillhurst Farm" are doing well, and that there is brisk demand for the young animals.

VALUABLE COLT.—Mr. Thomas Armstrong, of Vaughan, is the owner of a colt, 10 months' old, sired by "Coachboy," for which he has been offered \$250. This is, we are told, the highest price yet quoted for a colt of that age in Canada.

THE APIARY IN APRIL.

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Bees that have been housed through the winter, should be set out, placing the hives in the location where they are to remain through the season, as they should not be moved after the bees have had their first flight and marked their location. Be careful to set them out on a day that is warm enough for them to return to the hive without getting chilled with cold. Be sure to set the hives far enough apart; five feet is little enough. More would be better if your yard is large enough. Clean out all the dead bees and filth under the hives. If movable comb hives are used, as they should be, draw out a frame or two near the centre of the hive, and see if there are eggs or brood, so as to ascertain if the bees have a queen. If they have not, it is best to unite them with some weak stock that has a queen. If box hives are used, turn the hives bottoms up on a warm sunny morning, setting them so that the sun will shine directly between the combs. Now see if any clusters of dead bees are wedged between the combs, if so, remove them with a crooked piece of wire. If there are combs badly molded, they may be cut out. If the bees are weak in number, contract the entrance so that only one or two bees can pass in and out at the same time, and keep a sharp look-out for robbers. See that all stocks have honey enough to last them till they can

collect from the flowers, if not, they must be fed without delay. As the drought and excessive heat cut off all honey the last of July last season, leaving the bees with a large brood maturing, they consumed a great deal more before the winter set in last fall than usual. If the spring is late, a great many bees will need feeding in this section. In parts of the country, where but little wheat is cultivated to any extent, this may not be the case. Unbolted rye-flour spread out in shallow dishes will be found the best substitute for pollen, and will prove beneficial to promote early breeding and prevent robbing, when there are no flowers.

LIVE STOCK GLEANINGS.

Sweet-oil is recommended as a cure for botches on horses.

A correspondent of *Country Homes* says: "It is not generally believed, but it is true, that broad, square-breasted hens make the best layers."

The day for old, rough, half-made bee hives is over. Let us have a better day of neat, accurately fitted hives, painted, and with ample ventilation.

S. P. Keator, in *American Farmer*, says the best food for a cow in winter is clover, hay, and corn husks, on which brine has been freely sprinkled.

John Johnson says that cows and sheep should not be pastured together. Horses and sheep form a suitable partnership, as their grazing habits are similar.

The *Rural New Yorker* thinks it would be practicable to test the speed of a horse on a flat ground, without involving any of the obnoxious features of a race.

The *Hearth and Home* thinks a cow should always be allowed to be dry at least four weeks before calving, and if in thin flesh, perhaps as much as eight weeks.

Mr. Trabue, a wealthy farmer residing near Hannibal, N.Y., lately received a fine stallion direct from France. He is a cross between an Arabian and Norman.

A Stark County, Ohio, correspondent of the *Ohio Farmer*, says some 30,000 sheep have been slaughtered in that country, and that those are now in demand.

To cure a dog of sheep-killing, let him see a sheep he has killed; in his presence take off the pelt, fasten it tightly around him, and make him wear it from one to three days.

Horses, as a general thing, says the *Rocky Mountain Union*, get too much whipping and too little feed. If a man loses his hat while driving, whips his horse to pay for it. If he runs into another wagon through his own carelessness, whips his horse to make it all right. If his horse slips or stumbles, he gets whipped for it. If he does anything he gets whipped.