

old friend and patron of agriculture and improved cattle, Hon. ADAM FERGUSSON, of Woodhill, whose interest in these pursuits, notwithstanding advancing years, continues unabated. Mr. Fergusson has still a small herd of Shorthorns, in whose selection and breeding he has shown great care and judgment. The drought had made his pastures quite bare; but with plenty of shade and good water, his stock is in a thriving condition; thus evincing, under unfavorable circumstances, the strong tendency of well-bred Shorthorns to keep in flesh. Mr. F. has several bull-calves and yearling heifers to dispose of, and we are happy to be informed that he intends to exhibit them, with his admirable two-year old bull, *Athelbert*, at the approaching Provincial Show at Kingston. His resemblance to his sire, *Duke of Cambridge*, is very striking. The well-known *Duchess* blood largely pervades this herd, and it must be a satisfaction to purchasers to be assured that the animals have been kept in the ordinary way, and not stimulated by artificial pampering.

PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION AT KINGSTON.—We learn that the Local Committee are satisfactorily progressing with the arrangements, and that the prospect of a successful show grows every day more encouraging. The premiums are numerous, and in many cases munificent; and the Committee are erecting a number of stalls, covered pens, &c., for horses and cattle, of a *permanent character*, such as no previous exhibition has possessed. The owners, therefore, of valuable stock may now reckon, be the weather what it may, of having them, at a very trifling cost, perfectly protected from wet and cold. Premium-lists and blank forms of entry, have been sent to Agricultural Societies, Mechanics' Institutes, &c., in the Province; and may always be obtained from the Secretary of the Association, Toronto; or the Secretaries of the Local Committee, Kingston.

APPROACHING FAIR IN TORONTO.—It will be seen by advertisement on the cover of our present number, that the Corporation of Toronto have determined on holding Periodical Fairs for the sale of Live Stock, grain, and agricultural produce generally, on the Exhibition Grounds in the western part of the city; the first will take place during the present month. This we regard as an important step in the right direction. Fairs and markets in the old country have, for centuries, been regarded as essential to the efficient carrying on of country business, and their introduction to this country, wherever fairly tried and persevered in, has been attended with satisfactory results. At this fair farmers will have an opportunity of exchanging or purchasing seed wheat, grown on different soils, and at considerable distances; an object of no small importance. To butchers, cattle dealers, and country traders generally, this occasion will afford great facilities for transacting business; the site and buildings are most eligible and convenient, and we trust that the enterprise will meet with a hearty and liberal support.

IMPORTANT SALE OF STOCK.—We have much pleasure in directing attention to the advertisement of Mr. F. W. Stone's third annual sale of imported and pure bred stock. Mr. Stone has acquired the well earned reputation of being one of the most enterprising and successful importers and breeders on the continent. He has just made a sale (on 25th July) of twenty-five sheep to go to California, viz: eleven Cotswold rams, six Cotswold ewes, five Southdown rams and three Southdown ewes. This is the second lot of sheep sold by Mr. Stone this year to go to California.

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HOME MANUFACTURES.—We were shown the other day a very fine sample of factory cotton wove at the manufactory of Messrs. Nutty & Woodward, Thorold. In comparison with English and American goods of the same class, by the side of which it was placed, it bore very creditable contrast, it was remarkably fine and even in its texture; clear of specks, and altogether a first class article. It is sold at about 15 per cent less than imported goods. Our merchants should note this; for we are persuaded that an inspection of such "home products" is only necessary to secure for the enterprising factors a steady demand, at the same time building up native works and giving employment to artisans and capital that would otherwise be consumed abroad.—*St. Catharines' Constitutional*.

RHUBARB TARTS.—Peel and slice the rhubarb, sweeten to taste, and fix as a gooseberry tart. They are very delicious.