

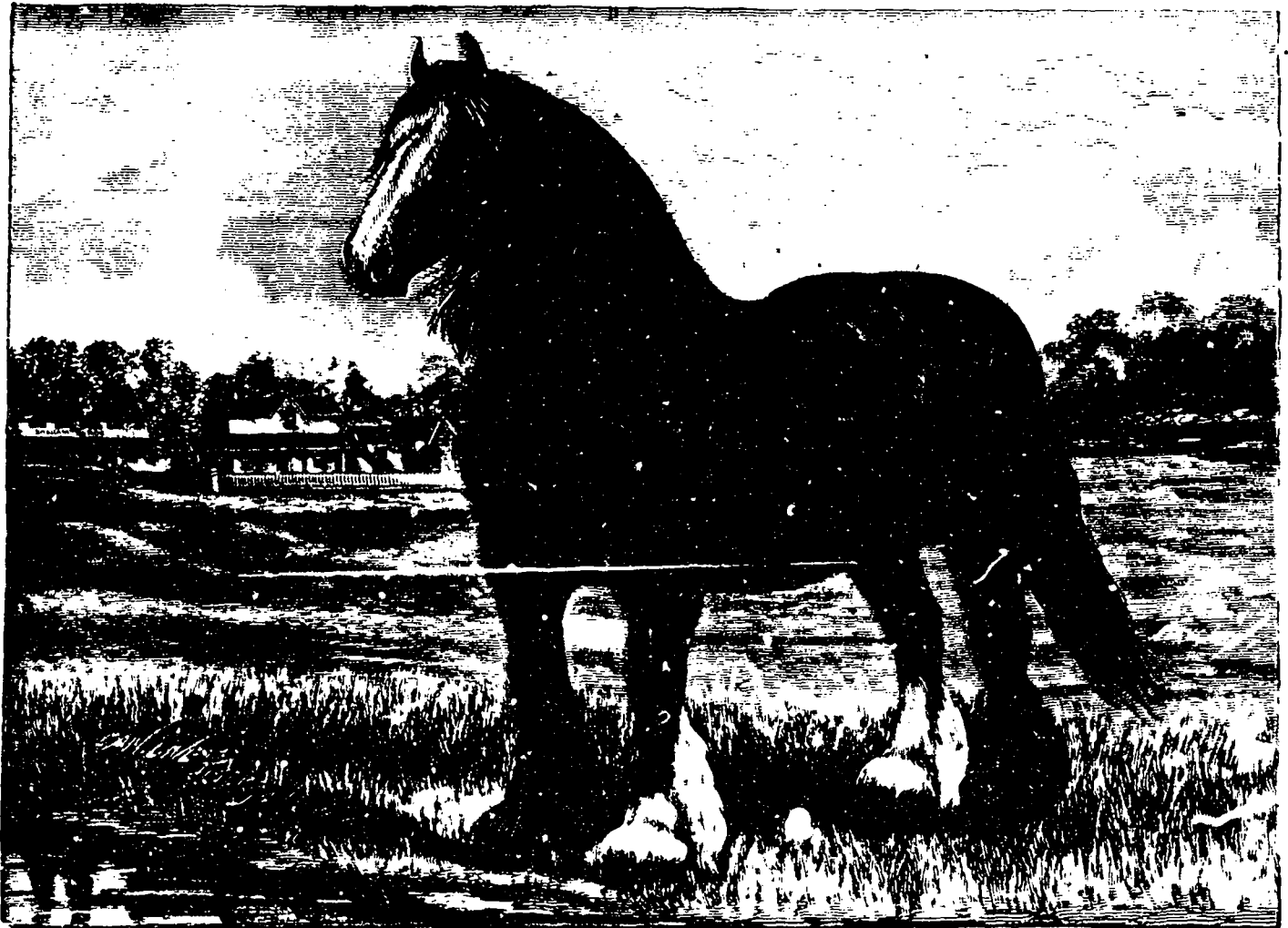
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THE CLYDESDALE STALLION MacNEILAGE (2992),

Imported and owned by Graham Bros., Claremont, Ont.

Our Illustration.

To our mind there is nothing so impressive of enduring strength and active power than a spirited, fully developed, and matured draught stallion, and as we scanned the massive structure, powerful build, and giant muscular development of our first page embellishment, and at the same time noted his activity, this thought gradually merged into a reality. In type MacNeilage, as his groom very appropriately and clearly put it, is "thick at both ends with a middle to match." He is blocky and muscular, and close to the ground. About his head there is not a tittle of coarseness, and in size it is in perfect harmony with the rest of his structure. A grand top, and nicely moulded neck merges at its base into a chest and shoulder, that for power we could not ask for a better. Broad chested, clean limbed, with large joints and excellent pasterns, and the best of feet, he presents a front that, though it may be equalled, cannot be surpassed. From such development to the fore, one would naturally look for a shrinkage under the elbows resulting in a lessened girth, but such is not the case as he

still keeps up that massiveness, and carries it back in a capacious, strongly-ribbed barrel, great breadth of beam, and muscular quarters. Feather he has to abundance, and that of the best of quality.

If the Clan MacGregor numbers on its roll many more such stallions, the powerful prestige they already have in Clydesdale circles will soon gain a world-wide notoriety. As may be presumed MacNeilage is by the illustrious MacGregor (1487), long noted for his famous conquests in the leading show-rings of Great Britain, and also for getting of stock amongst the most successful in like circles. It would encroach too much on our space to review the winnings of a few of his get or even give a synopsis of his own trophies. The dam of MacNeilage is Jess (1295), sister to Damsel that sold for £525. Jess was by Crown Prince (207), a winner at the H. and A. S., and also at the Glasgow Agricultural Show. From the foregoing it will be noticed that this stallion comes well by his excellent qualities and this in turn gives strength to the assertion that he is a sire that throws just such robust and blocky stock in most demand for purposes of draught. As to his own doings MacNeilage was awarded first as a yearling

at Dumfries, and second at Kirkcudbright. As a two-year-old he was first at the Royal held at Shrewsbury, and as a three-year-old he was yet again given first at the Royal at Preston.

Our Scheme.

Already in answer to our solicitations for "Original Plans, Devices and Ideas," we have to hand quite a few that we think our readers will find very acceptable. We have at present a number of plans of barns, farm dwelling-houses, and poultry houses, and in this issue we publish the first article sent us. As soon as we can prepare the engravings the plans shall be published. We would just say here to our draughtsmen: Give ample specifications, embodying measurements of all kinds. We are pleased to have our readers support us so heartily in this move, and trust that every one that can will aid us, favoring us with any plans or devices that they think may benefit their fellows.