

GOSSIP.

Mr. Josh. Harrison, of York Mills, Ont., is offering at a reduced price for quick sale, two Holstein bulls, eleven months of age each, sired by Cornelius Posch 2nd. These bulls are a snap for anyone wanting to improve the dairy qualities of a herd.

The imported Clydesdale stallion Bucephalus [3338], by Sir Christopher, as announced in the advertisement in this issue, will be offered at the auction sale of Mr. S. C. Bunker, near Pickering Station, G. T. R., on March 1st. Bucephalus was imported by Graham Bros., Claremont, and is said to have made a fine record as a successful sire.

Messrs. R. Mitchell & Sons, Nelson, Ont., near Burlington, G. T. R., order a change in their advertisement of Shorthorns, their offering now being 10 choice young bulls, 8 to 20 months old. Messrs. Mitchell have sold to Mr. Geo. Laughlin, of Caledon, Ont., their herd bull, Lord Rosebery (imp.). The purchaser is to be congratulated on securing such a richly-bred and successful breeding sire.

The grand old English dairy Shorthorn cow, Melody, died recently, after giving birth to twins, in the eleventh year of her age. Among the many prizes she won was the 50-guinea Spencer Challenge Cup, at the London Dairy Show, in 1905, the only time it has ever been won by a pure-bred Shorthorn. At the same show, she was awarded first in the milking trials, a gold and a silver medal, while at the Royal Show the same year, she also won the first milking prize. In 1906, Melody gave 1,232 gallons of milk, and her daughter, Melody 2nd, now in the Tring herd, yielded nearly 1,000 gallons the same season.

The Shire horse season in England opened last month in a very encouraging manner, the sales held at Peterborough proving beyond a doubt that there still exists a healthy and widespread demand for animals of the best breeding. The fact that the two days' sales realized a total of over £12,000 shows the healthy state of the business. Amongst the highest individual prices were 500 gs. for Bedford Future Queen, 410 gs. for Desford Grand Duke, 360 gs. for Knottingley Rose, 300 gs. for Harlestone Forest Queen and Markeaton Prize Getter. The average obtained by Mr. Kearns was £128, and by Mr. Richardson and Messrs. Thompson, close on £100.

Geo. M. Smith & Sons, Haysville, Waterloo County, Ont., as advertised in this paper, will sell their entire herd of Yorkshire hogs and flock of Cotswold sheep by auction on March 9th, the Yorkshires consisting of about 50 head of the ideal bacon type of high-class breeding. At the head of the herd stands Summer Hill Gladiator 9th (18271), three years old, an extra-long, strong-boned hog, weighing in the neighborhood of 800 lbs., and unbeaten in any show-ring. Second in service is Summer Hill Eclipse (24842), one year old, of first-class type. The brood sows are as fine a bunch of ideal type as can be found. Northcot Stella (19649), three years old, is in prime condition, and always farrowing large litters, being bred from the famous Summer Hill Dalmeny Topsman 2nd (9051), granddaughter of Summer Hill Member (6369). Northcot Princess (19647), three years old, a fine show sow, well-shaped, bred from imported stock, dam Imp. Dalmeny Lassie (16062), sire Imp. Dalmeny Topsman 2nd (9051). Woodstock Hawthorn 2nd (24580), one year old, dam Woodstock Hawthorn, imported in dam (24579), sire Warsley Duke 21st (imp.) (21325). Woodstock Royal is another good breeder, bred direct from imported stock, dam Nottingham Royal, Duchess (imp.) (23000), sire Dalmeny Woodstock 3rd (imp.) (20329). One boar, fit for service, a fine, thrifty young steer, dam Woodstock Lassie (14088), sire Dalmeny Topsman 2nd (9051). A number of young sows, in pig to S. H. Eclipse, and a few more ready to breed, and an extra-good quality of young boars and sows, from eight to ten months old, bred from the above named dams and sires. Also a group of well-fleeced Cotswold ewes,

to lamb early in the season. Everything will be sold, without reserve, as the proprietor has sold his farm. Long-distance phone, New Hamburg.

VALUABLE HORSES GO WEST.

Last week Mr. R. H. Taber, of Condie, Saskatchewan, shipped from Toronto a valuable consignment of Clydesdales, and the imported Hackney stallion Copmanthorpe Swell, first in aged class, and reserve for championship at the Ontario Horse-breeders' Exhibition, 1909, purchased from Graham - Renfrew Company, Bedford Park. Among the Clydesdales in the consignment was the grand champion mare, Belrose, formerly Thorncliffe Duchess 2nd, also selected from the Graham Renfrew stud. Queen of the Waves (imp.), rising three, first, and reserve champion to Belrose, at Toronto, 1909, sired by Netherlea, was selected from the Cairnbrogie stud of Graham Bros., Claremont, Ont. Bishopton Queen (imp.), also rising three, and second to Queen of the Waves at the same show, was secured from the stud of Messrs. Hodgkinson & Tisdale, Beaverton, Ont. From Messrs. Geo. Davidson & Sons, of Cherrywood, Ont., was purchased the good bay horse, Macarlie, first in Canadian-bred aged class at Toronto last fall, foaled in 1904, and sired by the noted Old Macqueen, champion Clydesdale stallion at the World's Fair, Chicago, in 1893. This is one of the most valuable shipments of stock that has been consigned to the West for some time, and should prove potent in the improvement of the horse stock of the Province to which they have gone.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.
Miscellaneous.

NEGLIGENCE.

My neighbor, Smith, owns a pasture-lot several miles from home. Last spring he came to me and wanted to get my herd of young cattle to pasture at a certain price per head per month. He agreed to take the cattle to the pasture and return them in the fall.

When he brought them home in the fall, one was missing. He says that it fell into an old well and perished, about mid-summer. He says that he covered the well up by laying rails across over the well. Can I compel Smith to pay for the animal, or should I be the loser. The animal is worth more than the amount of the pasturage, but I offered, as a means of settlement, to drop accounts, viz.: he lose pasturage and I lose the animal, which he refuses to do? How should I proceed? Shall I pay him for the pasturage and enter suit for pay for the animal, or wait until he sues for the pasturage, and then enter my claim for pay for the animal? I claim, that to cover a well with rails laid across, is not a reasonable protection. What is your opinion?

Ontario.

Ans.—We think you should pay the proper amount for the pasturing of the herd, having regard to the agreement and to the fact of the number having been lessened by the loss of the one; but that you should do so expressly without prejudice to your claim to damages in respect of that loss, and reserving your right of action for the recovery of such damages. Then it will be in order for you to press your claim, and to propose to sue, if necessary. For various reasons, we think it would be inadvisable for you to wait until he commences action. We consider that the position you take is reasonable. In our judgment your neighbor was negligent, and to an extent that renders him liable to the action suggested.



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