

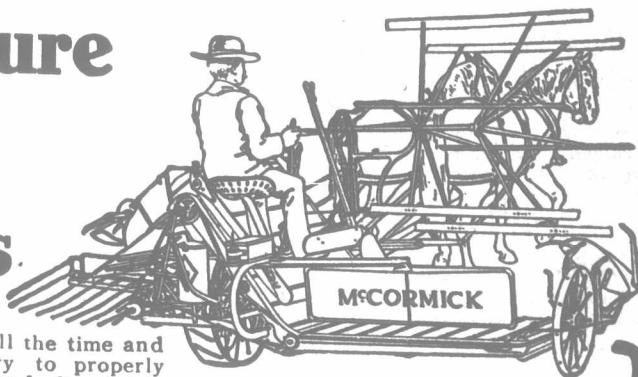
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GRAHAM & RENFREW'S CLYDESDALES AND HACKNEYS.

The only company in Ontario doing business as importers, breeders and dealers of Clydesdale, Hackney and Standard-bred stallions and mares, high-class harness and saddle horses, polo ponies, etc., under a provincial charter, incorporated by the Provincial Government, is the Graham & Renfrew Co., Limited, Bedford Park, Ont., gentlemen whose reputation as expert judges and horsemen extends from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and beyond the seas. In business barely two years under the present firm name, their trade already extends practically from ocean to ocean, and is continually increasing and extending, and, although they have sold and shipped a very large number of horses, in not one case have they been asked to give a written guarantee, so firm is their hold on public opinion for strictly straight dealing. Lately, they have purchased some 40 acres of the McGillivray farm, at Bedford Park, on Yonge St., north of Toronto, together with the buildings, which are being remodelled throughout, which, when completed, will make one of the best and most modernly-equipped stables on the continent, containing some 40-odd box stalls. Just now in their stables are about 45 head of Clydesdale stallions and fillies, Hackney stallions and fillies, high-class harness horses, and a few ponies, including the Boston and Toronto first-prize winner, Plymouth Horace (imp.) 8969, sired by Sir Horace, dam Lady Kate, by Sir George. This is acknowledged to be one of the best all-around ponies for conformation and action that ever stood in America. He is a brown four-year-old, and 13.1 high. Another is Bathgate Swell (imp.), a brown, rising four, 13.3 hands high, sired by Woodlands Eaglet, dam Woodlands Buttercup, by Sir Christopher. He won second at the H. A. S. S., Scotland, and first at Toronto last year in his class. In Hackney stallions, there are several, among which are some high-class show horses and winners, notably Brigham Radiant (imp.), a bay, rising four, by the mighty Rosador, dam Brigham Belle, by Revival. This horse won first at the Royal in 1906, and reserve champion; first at Toronto and reserve champion, and first at Chicago. He is one of the sweetest-turned and highest all-round actors alive. Another of the real good ones is Coveney Marmion (imp.) 329, a chestnut, rising four, by Witcham Marmion, dam Lady Mayoress, by Comet. This horse won third at Toronto last fall in invincible company. Cliff Royalist (imp.) 326, a brown, rising three, won third at Brackenhead, sired by Ganymede, dam Lady Winnal, by Winnal, grandam by Lord Derby. Here is an exceedingly sweet colt, and one of the coming wonders. Americus 346 was bred in the United States, sired by the twice New-York champion, Fandango, dam Stella, also twice champion at New York, by North Star. This horse has also won several firsts. Those mentioned are only a sample of the several high-class Hackneys now in their stables. Space will only permit the mention of one of the Hackney mares, and she is representative of the others. My Honey (imp.) a chestnut, rising five, by Bonny Danegelt, dam Kiss Me Quick, by Yorkshire Post. She has to her credit as winnings in England, one first, one second, and one third. At the time of our visit, there were about an even-dozen Clydesdale stallions in the stables, every one selected for individual excellence and fashionable breeding, with as strong a combination of size and quality as could be procured in Scotland, a few only of which we can mention. Evandar (imp.) 6079, by Elator, dam by Prince of Cathcart, is a bay, rising four, and won first and champion at Aberdeen, and first at Chicago last year, a model of Clydesdale perfection. This horse, together with the Scotland and Canadian champion mare, Lanark Queen, and the three-times first-prize-winning (at Toronto) mare, Thorncliffe Duchess, are sold to go to Virginia, United States. Flash Baron (imp.) 6076, the great son of Baron's Pride, that won first at Castle Douglas, first at Toronto, and first at Chicago, goes to a stock company at Brandon. Alpine Duke (imp.) 6075, the three-year-old son of Marconi, that the only time shown won first at Kirkcudbright, goes to Capt. T.

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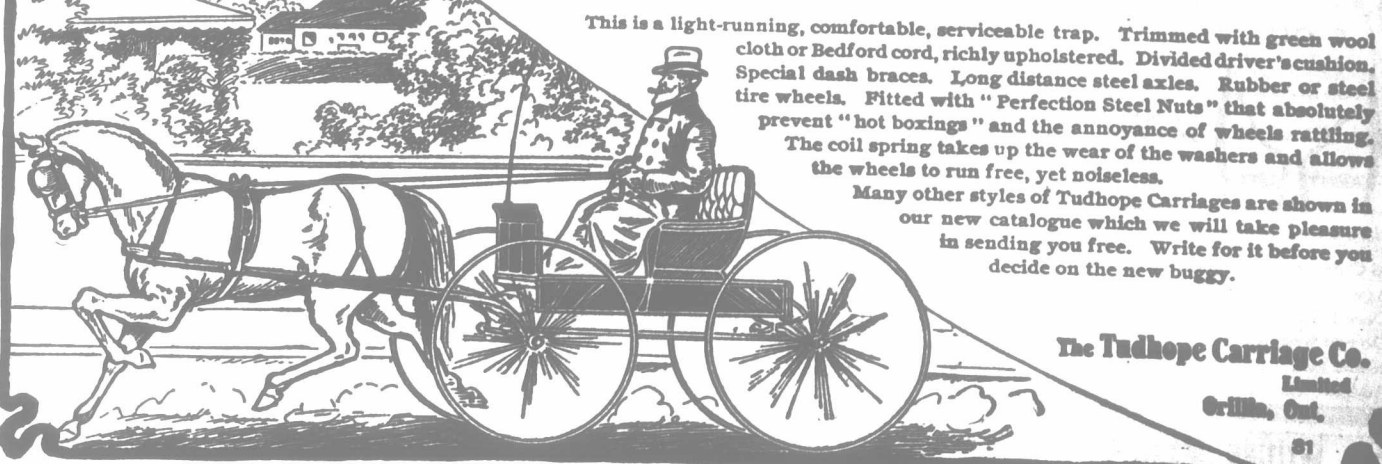
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