

favorite equipment, however, of an average farm boy, is a *watch*. He is not in a position to look up at a town clock several times a day. His only clock is the sun and on his dial the boy cannot always read the hour of the day. It is a great misfortune to come home to dinner too late, when the dumplings are cold and nothing on the table that was brought there hot is in the best of condition. A watch is the great companion for a farm boy.

Now, boys, we can put you on an easy method of getting a good watch. We have made arrangements to get good running watches with hunting case, at such rates as will justify us in making the following offer:

To every boy who sends us the names of ten new subscribers to the JOURNAL for one year and ten dollars, we will send a good guaranteed watch with hunting case, and for the names of twelve subscribers and twelve dollars forwarded to us, we will send a watch with plain case and glass face, but with superior finish to the first. The names may belong to different persons, and those who subscribe will get the JOURNAL from the date of subscription until the end of 1890 for one dollar.

We can assure you, boys, that the watches are really good. We cannot afford to tarnish our name by sending into the country an article that is not first-class in exchange for subscription lists. The writer many years ago bought a watch with hunting case at twenty-five dollars which he considers was not one whit better than those which we are now offering for the names of ten new subscribers and ten dollars.

Drop a postal card to the J. E. Bryant Publishing Co., 58 Bay St., Toronto, asking for sample copies of the JOURNAL to aid you in your canvass, and they will be sent to you, and commence the canvass at once. Every farmer's boy who wants a good watch need not be long without one, when it can be got on terms so easy.

Press Notices.

THE CANADIAN LIVE STOCK AND FARM JOURNAL has removed its headquarters from Hamilton and is now published in Toronto. This JOURNAL has for a long time held a high place among American stock journals, and is thoroughly up with the times in all matters of breeding as well as the various branches of agriculture. *The Eastern Chronicle*, New Glasgow, N. S., Oct. 10th, 1889.

THE October number of THE CANADIAN LIVE STOCK AND FARM JOURNAL, containing the awards at the Toronto Industrial and Provincial at London, will be more than usually interesting to the stockmen of our country. Cattle and horsemen who wish to keep up with the movements weekly and daily occurring in stock, will find the JOURNAL indispensable, but short pointed articles on every department of farm life permeate the number from beginning to end. *The Free Press, Forest Out.*

It is satisfactory to note that the evidences of progress are month by month apparent in THE CANADIAN LIVE STOCK JOURNAL, the headquarters of which were recently transferred from Hamilton to Bay Street, Toronto, where it is now published by the J. E. Bryant Company. In every department the JOURNAL aims at a high standard of excellence, keeping in view not live stock alone, though that is the distinguishing feature, but the general interests of the agriculturists of Canada. *The Western Advertiser*, London, Ont., Oct. 11th, 1889.

From C. G. Boynton, Georgeville, Que.:

"I took your journal for a time some years ago, and by reason of some mistake in the Post Office it was discontinued. It is a good paper and one every farmer should have."

Jottings.

Prize Silage. The winner of the first prize given by the Ensilage Congress at Cleveland, John Finzel, describes his method as follows in the *Rural New Yorker*. The silo is built of wood, lined inside with two thicknesses of lumber, with tarred paper between. The corn was leaning and almost matured. It had been planted in drills, from two to three stalks to the foot, three and one-half feet apart, cut about the middle of September, in seven eight inch lengths. Every load or alternate load was levelled and tramped down. I put in 150 tons, covered it with tarred paper and about eighteen inches of straw.

Unbelievers in Silage. At the Maine Ensilage Convention, Hon. Rufus Prince said: "There are two classes of farmers who do not believe in silage. One of these classes believes that book farming is a humbug; they keep their stock in old barns to make them tough, and year after year will drive their cattle through drifting snows to the nearest brook to drink, rather than, at small expense, provide water in the barn or yard. The same class believe that you can make more money raising steers from scrub stock than from the noble Shorthorn or Hereford, and that they make better cows than the slick Jersey."

The Poultry Monthly.—This paper is one that always is replete with information in regard to the poultry yard and rarely is devoid of interest to the poultry fancier. It contains a Canadian department as well as an American, so that the reader is treated to the best practices and doings on both sides of the line. The subscription price is but one dollar. A dollar expended by a poultry raiser in this way, will return itself in a short while. Our readers should notice an advertisement now running in our columns that calls attention to the merits of this paper, which is certainly a credit to agricultural journalism.

Milch Cows for Britain. Mr. Wm. Bulloch, Cockburn, Springburn, Glasgow, Scotland, is trying an experiment just now of some interest to Canada. He (Mr. B.) brought out some Clyde horses a short time since, conveying them on to Michigan, and on the return trip is taking home a carload of milch cows well forward to calve. The cows chosen are good specimens of Shorthorn grades. This class has purposely been chosen, so that if any of the cows meet with a mishap resulting in the loss of their calves, or if they prove poor milkers, they may be sold for beef. It is quite possible that a trade of some importance may spring up in this line. At any rate it is to our interest in every way to raise only good cows that are fit for any market.

A High Priced Stallion.—The highest price that has ever been known to have been paid for a horse of any description was given to Charles W. Williams by a syndicate for the standard bred trotter Axtell 212. This stallion was foaled March 31st, 1886, and was sired by William I., a get of the great George Wilkes, and full brother to Guy Wilkes 2154. His dam was Lou by Mambrino Boy 2264, a son of the renowned Mambrino Patchen. Lou never gave any indications of merit as a trotter, further than that she was a mare of great endurance and could travel in the near neighborhood of four minutes. When five years of age Charles W. Williams bought her for \$75. She was sent to Lexington, Ky., and there served by William L., and Axtell was the offspring.

Death of Mario, 51713. A report has reached us just as we are going to press to the effect that the celebrated Shorthorn bull Mario 51713, belonging to Mr. C. W. Bierley, of Rosedale, Tenbury, has just died very suddenly. Mario, as every one knows, was the champion Shorthorn bull at the Royal and Highland Society's shows of last year, and he was again first in the aged bull class at Windsor this year. He was bred by Mr. William Duthie, Collynie, and was sired by the famous bull Field Marshal 47890, which was brought back to Collynie a few days ago after a lengthened service in the Royal herd at Windsor. Mario was a grand, massive, level bull, and has proved a most impressive sire, the calves left by him, both at Rosedale and at Newton of Inch, being of the very highest order of excellence. *N. B. Agriculturist.*

Literary Note.—The National Magazine for November will contain, among other articles, "Comparative Philology," by Prof. Schele de Vere, Ph.D., J.U.D. of the University of Virginia; "Political Science," by Prof. Raymond Mayo Smith, A.M., of Columbia College; and "Shakespeare," by F. W. Harkins, Ph.D., Chancellor of the new National University of Chicago, whose instruction by mail and University Extension System for non-residents, now meeting with such favor, will also be explained in this number. In future numbers will appear a symposium comprising articles by prominent scholars and statesmen, giving their opinions on leading questions, such as "Darwin's Theory," "The Chinese Question," "Socialism," and "Should Immigration be Restricted?" Published the first

of each month, at 147 Troop Street, Chicago. Subscription price, \$1.00 a year. Sample copy 10 cts.

Horsemen's Meeting.—A meeting of the directors of the Dominion Draught Horse Breeders' Society was held in the Rattenbury House, Clinton, on Tuesday, Oct. 8th, President John McMillan presiding. A large amount of routine business was transacted. It was decided to close the acceptance of entries in Volume II on March 1st, 1890, when the volume will be immediately put in print; and to recommend to the annual meeting, to be held in December next, that the standard of the next volume require three crosses of accepted sires in either stallions or mares presented for registry. A notice of motion was made to define more clearly at the annual meeting that the progeny of stallions or mares registered in the books of the Society shall also be eligible for registry in the same or succeeding volumes. The books of the secretary and treasurer show the Society to be in a first-class financial condition, and the directors, report for the coming annual meeting will be most satisfactory to the Society.

Two Good Papers.—No better scheme could commend itself with more vigor to the Canadian public to arouse in our young folks a patriotic love for their country and its traditions than that adopted by John Dougall & Son, the proprietors of the *Montreal Witness*. Liberal prizes were offered for tales illustrative of pioneer life in Canada, and it is pleasing to know that there was a hearty response to the strong inducements which were hung forth. The Dominion prize, a type writer, was won by Miss May Selby Holden, of St. John's, and the second honor was awarded to Norman L. Cork, of Gay's River, N.S. The best story from each of the several provinces made their writers the recipients of a set of Parkman's works, writings that should be in every Canadian home. Each county winner received a set of Macaulay's works, and the *Northern Messenger* was offered for the best tale in every school in the Dominion. This firm publishes one of the most readable papers in Canada to-day, the *Montreal Witness*. The subscription to the daily edition is \$3.00, and to the weekly \$1.00. They also publish a bright and nicely illustrated weekly, the *Northern Messenger*, at the low subscription price of 30c. a year.

The Farmer and Stock Breeder.—Those of our stock men who had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Alex. Macdonald last year, who was then editor of the *Mark Lane Express*, of London, Eng., will be pleased to know that he has assumed the proprietorship and shall edit in person a long-established English agricultural periodical, formerly known as *The Farmer and Chamber of Agriculture*, but now bearing the title given above. This paper has been established since 1843, and we feel assured that under the supervision of its new editor its field of usefulness will materially widen. In all matters pertaining to live stock, their history, breeding, and management, we must acknowledge that from our English friends we have much to learn, for they are the residents of a country that is unequalled for the production of high class stock of all breeds. From the pages of this publication we have no doubt many of our stockmen would be able to glean much of great value to them; a statement which the past editorial work of the *Mark Lane Express* leads us to freely express. They would certainly receive good value for the money expended, as the subscription price is only \$2, post free, to any place in Canada. The address is 325 Strand, London, W.C., Eng.

The Maritime Agriculturist.—Of the many periodicals that adorn our files, there are few indeed that we read with as much interest and pleasure as a brightly-colored semi-monthly coming from the thriving town of Sackville, in our sister province of New Brunswick, and bearing as its title *The Maritime Agriculturist*. The editorial chair is filled by an able graduate of our Guelph Agricultural College, Mr. B. Eaton Paterson, B.S.A., and the business management is under the charge of Mr. R. J. Gilbert. The editorial work bears the impress of a vigorous and original mind, and we have no doubt but that this paper will fully attain to that position in agricultural journalism that the many Ontario friends of Mr. Paterson feel justified in expecting of it as long as he remains the caretaker of its character and the director of its views. Certainly the early numbers augur well for a future of power and usefulness, and we feel sure that as long as the agricultural wants are so thoughtfully ministered to as in the initial numbers, our maritime farmers will no doubt appreciate the efforts that are being put forth in their behalf, and recognize that of all things required by a journal of this character stands foremost the unanimous co-operation of those whose calling it defends, whose rights it nobly fights for, and whose work it materially advances.

North-West Possibilities.—Mr. John White, ex-M.P., gave *The Empire* to-day a piece of information testifying to the immense possibilities of our North-West country, which, if the reliability of the source from which it springs were not well-known, might easily be questioned. Mr. White was travelling