

GOSSIP.

THE PETTIT-WATT SALE.

From a popular breeding standpoint and the high-class excellence of the animals to be offered, the Pettit-Watt sale, at the Stock-yards, West Toronto, on Wednesday, February 3rd, will probably equal, if not excel, anything of the kind heretofore held in Canada. The consignment from the herd of W. G. Pettit & Sons, of Freeman, consists of 8 bulls and 12 females. Prominent among the former is the 1907 Toronto grand champion, Prime Favorite (imp.) =45214=, a roan 6-year-old, Princess Royal bred son of that great sire, Bapton Favorite. He is still remarkably smooth and soggy, and positively right in every particular. This is the first time a bull of his calibre has been offered by auction in Canada. Other bulls in this consignment are His Grace (imp.) =69740=, a roan yearling, and Lord Fyvie (imp.) =69741=, a red yearling. This pair are of the type very much looked for, low down, thick-fleshed and soggy. Others are Silver Prince =70352=, a Lady Dorothy, white, a yearling, got by the Toronto champion, and himself winner of first as a junior yearling at Toronto, 1908. The others are all yearlings, and are all, but one, sired by the Roan Lady bred bull, Imp. Scottish Pride, and nearly all out of imported dams. On blood lines, one is a Waterloo Princess, one a Roan Lady, one a Snowdrop, one a Matilda—an exceptionally choice lot of young bulls of the low-down, thick type. The females belong to the Roan Lady, Rosetta, Avenir, Waterloo Princess, Primrose, Ury, Dido, Claret, Countess of Balmoral, Clementina and Miss Ramsden tribes. In age there are one yearling, six two-year-olds, one four-year-old, two five-year-olds, one six-year-old and one seven-year-old; two are imported. All two years of age or over are either in calf or have calves at foot. The quality of the offering is exceedingly high, among them being Dido 21st, a roan two-year-old, that was first and junior champion at Syracuse in 1907, also fifth at Toronto in 1908; Pride 6th, a red yearling, that was in the third-prize junior herd at Toronto, 1908; Avenir 13th, a red two-year-old, that was fifth at Toronto as a calf and third at Toronto, 1908; Rosetta 16th, a white two-year-old, that was one of the first-prize pair at Toronto, 1907, the progeny of one cow. Several others of this consignment are of show-ring form, and in fine flesh.

The consignment from the noted Watt herd, at Salem, Ont., are seven bulls and 21 females. There is probably no other herd in Canada that for over a quarter of a century has made and maintained a reputation of superior excellence equal to this herd, and this is the first time representatives of the herd were offered by auction, and when it is remembered that the offering is made up of the choicest young things in the herd, a lot of more than ordinary merit may be expected to be on hand for the sale. Inspection will show this to be the case. The seven bulls to be sold are all got by the great stock bull, Imp. Jilt's Victor =45187=, a bull that has to his credit as winnings, second at the Canadian National, Toronto, 1907, being only beaten by the grand champion; first and grand champion at the Dominion Exhibition, 1907; second at Calgary and the Dominion Exhibition, 1908, in a class of eight, and after travelling over 5,000 miles, he was placed third at Toronto, a record that speaks of superior excellence. Among the young bulls, which range from 9 to 15 months of age, are: Jilt's Stamford; dam Julia Stamford, by the Toronto junior champion, Royal Wonder; he was this year second at Calgary and first at Brandon; a high-class herd-header. Belona Victor, a C. Bellona, out of Gem of Balmoral 2nd, a grand champion at Toronto; he was second at Calgary, third at Brandon and Toronto, 1908. Others are one English Lady, one Emaline, one Stamford. Here are a rare nice lot of young bulls. The females are in age, 11 yearlings, 5 two-year-olds, 1 four-year-old, and one six-year-old. On blood lines they are C. Lovells, Stanfords, English Ladys, Matchlesses, Madges, Clarets, Mildreds, C. Secrets, Fanny Bs, and Lady Edens, among which are such high-class show sires as Secret Rose, a roan yearling, who was first as a junior yearling at

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