

PURE-BRED STOCK

NOTES AND NEWS FROM THE BREEDERS

These columns are set apart exclusively for the use of breeders of pure-bred stock and poultry. Any information as to importations made, the sale and purchase of stock and the condition of herds and flocks that is not in the nature of an advertisement will be welcomed. Our desire is to make this the medium for conveying information as to the transfer of pure-bred animals and the condition of live stock throughout the country. The co-operation of all breeders is earnestly solicited in making this department as useful and as interesting as possible. The Editor reserves the right to eliminate any matter that he may consider better suited to our advertising columns.

Gossip

Mr. Robt. Miller, Stouffville, Ont., returned last week from Great Britain with a large importation of purebred stock. The importation consisted of 172 sheep of seven different breeds, 34 Shorthorns, 3 Hackneys (one stallion and 3 mares), 8 Clydesdale fillies, 16 Welsh ponies, and, last but not least, perhaps, a well-trained Collie dog. Mr. Miller saw this dog herd sheep at one of the big fairs in the old land and he did it to perfection. He is not sure that he may enter him in the sheep dog trials at Toronto Fair this fall.

The executive committee of the Shorthorn Breeders' Association met in Toronto on July 27th. There were present W. G. Pettit, president, A. W. Smith, vice-president; Robt. Miller and Henry Wade, secretary. Only some necessary routine business was transacted. President Pettit reports Shorthorn business to be good and the outlook bright.

Mr. Dugald Ross, Streetsville, Ont., sailed for England on July 23rd, and expects to land a new importation of stock about October 15th, which will include all the different breeds. Mr. Ross has asked us to state to the many who made inquiry of him through *THE FARMING WORLD* for stock and received no answer from him, that the reason was that he was very sick and unable to attend to his correspondence.

The special announcement in this issue of J. G. Clark's big dispersion sale of Ayrshires, to be held on August 29th, should be carefully noted by every lover of good dairy cattle. Mr. Clark's Ayrshires won a signal victory at St. Louis in 1904, and brought honor to Canada. He has in his herd some of the best Ayrshire blood on the continent and for many years has given special attention to developing the milking qualities of his cattle. Many cows of his breeding have stood at the top at competitive milking trials. Write Mr. Clark for a catalogue, if possible, to be at Ottawa on August 29th. Fuller particulars regarding the animals to be offered will appear later.

Some Large Importations

The Scottish Farmer in announcing the sailing of the *Athenia* for Canada on July 7th says that it carried one of the most varied and valuable shipment of British pedigree stock which has left Scotland for some time. On board there were over 80 head of Clydesdales, a very large number of Shropshire sheep, several Hackney brood mares, and some stallions, as well as an odd Shire. The shippers were from different parts of Canada. Mr. A. Mutch, of A. & E. Mutch, Lumsden, Sask., had on board 14 head. Referring to the shipments of two Ontario importers that paper says:

"Mr. R. E. Gunn, Beaverton, Ontario, brought his ten fillies, with two exceptions, in Aberdeenshire. They were got by well-bred horses like Up-to-Time (10475); Royal Blend (11893), whose sire was the noted

Royal Favorite, and his dam a famous prize mare, which won first prizes at H. and A. S. shows, as well as elsewhere; Everlasting (11331), thrice in succession first at the H. and A. S. shows; the big horse Prince of Roxburgh (10516); the well-bred Olympus (11840); and others.

"Mr. Mercer, from Markdale, Ontario, is an energetic buyer. He has a varied assortment of stock, but they are safely housed for bad weather, and may be expected to make a good voyage at this season. He has six fillies and four stallions, purchased mainly from Mr. Peter Crawford, Dargavel, Dumfries, and farmers in that neighborhood and in Ayrshire. The colts are mainly two-year-olds. They are got by such noted sires as Sir Hugo (10924); Prince of Carruchan (8181), thrice winner of the Cawdor Cup; the handsome and gay Baron of Buchlyvie, and other good sires. Mr. Mercer has purchased some very superior fillies. Two were bred by Mr. William Bone, Shalloch Park, Girvan, from his well-bred mare Gorty, by Lord Erskine (1741). A two-year-old is by Mr. Crawford's big horse Prince of Balmanno, and other fillies of a superior class are by Labori (10791), the dual champion of the Glasgow show; the Dumfries premium horse Rozelle, and the good breeding horse King of Kyle. This shipment looked well on the quay, and it is to be hoped that Mr. Mercer may soon return."

Aberdeenshire Clydesdales for Canada

On Saturday Mr. J. R. Johnson, Springfield, Ontario, sailed from Glasgow per S.S. *Marina*, with a shipment of 22 Clydesdale fillies and two colts. The fillies were regarded by many reliable judges as one of the best lots of fillies that ever left Scotland. Two were bought from Mr. Marr, Uppermill—a two-year-old and a yearling. The two-year-old was first and champion at the Formartine Show last year, and was got by a son of Baron's Pride. The yearling was sired by a son of the famous Prince Thomas. A three-year-old and a two-year-old from Mr. Walker, Coullie, were by sons of Baron's Pride—Cairnbroe and Royal Edward. One two-year-old filly was from Mr. Annis, Pitfuir, and was got by Mr. Marr's good breeding Prince Thomas horse Cairnbroe Chieftain. The dam was by the famous Darley horse Royalist, which did yeoman service in the Bal-

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made stud. A two-year-old filly from Mr. Black, Flinthills, was by Mr. Burr's Gallant Chattan, half brother to Mr. Walter Pratt's "Highland" champion of last year. A two-year-old filly from Mr. Gray, Andet, was sired by Flashlight, out of a dam by the good breeding horse Fortune Still. A couple of two-year-old fillies were from Mr. Reid, Balgownie. They were both by Hillhead Chief, their dams being by Prince of Carruchan and Prince of Fortune, both champion horses. A three-year-old from Mr. Keith, Kinnermill, was by the Hiawatha horse Michaboe; a two-year-old from Mr. Alexander, Overhill, got by the Highland Society champion of last year, Royal Chattan, out of a dam by Royal Alexander, also a noted prize-winner at the Highland. —N. B. Agriculturist.

More Clydesdales for Canada

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