

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.

Farming World Man on the Wing

Mr. W. C. Kidd, the well known and enterprising horseman of Listowel, Ont., has just landed a consignment of Belgian draught stallions, which he has personally selected, and among which are a number of prize-winners at leading shows in Belgium and America. The classes at the late Chicago International were very strong ones, and in one of the strongest, the three-year-olds, one of Mr. Kidd's stallions landed third place. They are all typical horses of the low set, blocky, muscular and active character, of great scale and substance.

Mr. W. J. Thompson, proprietor of the Hollymount Farm, Mitchell, Ont., has now to offer another grand crop of fine young Shorthorn calves from his splendid herd of imported cows, and sired by the grand Bessie bull Rustic Chief imp. This bull is proving an impressive sire, among his last year's crop of calves being the good young bull Hot Scotch, purchased by T. E. Robson, of Ilford, and sold to the Ladd estate at Portland, Ore., at a long figure. Those wishing a good herd header, will find something in their line at the Hollymount Farm at Mitchell.

Gossip

Messrs. Smith & Richardson, Columbus, Ont., report the following sales of Clydesdales: "Baron Black," to a small company at Ethel, Ont., for \$3,000.00. "Baron Gartley," to Alex. Graham, Oro Station, Simcoe County, for \$2,800.00. "Lucky Ranauld," to Messrs. Carruthers & Davidson, Durham Co., and "Democrat," to Wm. Gunn, Cobocook, Ont.

In the official records of Holstein-Friesian cows made by the American H. F. Association for the four weeks ending Dec. 6th, 1905, appears the cow Empress Josephine of Brookdale 29515, aged 10 years 9 months 29 days, with a record of 499.9 lbs. of milk, 2.97 per cent fat, giving total butter fat of 14,823 lbs. The test began 16 days after calving. She is owned by W. W. Brown, Lyn, Ont.

At the Shorthorn sale at Chicago during the International fifty-nine head sold for \$18,220 or \$310 each, or over \$100 above the average for the International sale of 1904. The highest price was \$1,025 paid for Anoka Missie, by Golden Victor.

At the Hereford sale fifty-eight head sold for \$10,045, or an average of \$188.75. The top of the sale was \$1,100, paid for E. W. & A. M. Heath, for \$600.

Live Stock Journal Almanac

Those interested in live stock both in the United Kingdom and elsewhere will find a wealth of information in the Live Stock Almanac for 1906. In addition to the special breeders' tables, monthly diary and calendar, lists of societies connected with agriculture and

stock breeding, statistics, etc., there are about fifty articles from prominent authorities on the subjects dealt with. The sales shows and exports of the past year are dealt with at length, while numerous illustrations of prize-winning animals are given. Among the contributors we notice the names of such well-known authorities as Sir Walter Gilbey, Sir F. A. Muntz, Mr. John Thornton and Alfred Mansell. The number contains 340 pages and is a fitting successor to those that have succeeded it. It costs 25 cents or 30 cents post free, and is published by Messrs. Vinton & Co., Ltd., 9 New Bridge Street, Ludgate Circus, London, E.C.

The Awards at Guelph

The following are the awards in the cattle, sheep and swine classes at the Winter Fair:

CATTLE

Shorthorn.—Steer 2 years old and under 3: James Rennie & Son, Blackwater; J. Brown & Sons, Galt; Fried's Sons, Roseville. Steer 1 year and under 2: Israel Groff, Alma; A. Young, Glanford, 2 and 3; D. Talbot & Son, Everton; James Rennie & Son. Steer under 1 year: W. R. Elliott & Sons, Guelph; J. W. Sutton, Ospringle; A. Young, 2 and 4; James Rennie & Sons. Cow or heifer 3 years or over: Andrew D. Schmidt, Elmira; J. Brown & Sons; H. K. Fairbairn, Thedford; James Leask, Greenbank; Fried's Sons. Heifer 2 years and under 3: James Rennie & Sons; R. Dickieson & Sons, Guelph; E. Brien & Son, Ridgeway. Heifer under 2 years: W. & G. Parkinson, Erasmus; W. R. Elliott & Sons; J. Morgan & Sons, Kerwood. Best steer: James Rennie & Sons, Israel Groff.

Hereford and Aberdeen Angus.—Steer or heifer 2 years and under 3: Jas. Bowman, Guelph; John A. Govenlock, Forest; F. W. Stone Stock Co., Guelph. Steer or heifer 1 year and under 2: R. I. Penhall, Nobor; James Bowman; Samuel Young, Guelph; John A. Govenlock; F. W. Stone Stock Co. Steer or heifer under 1 year: John A. Govenlock; H. MacDougall, Guelph; R. I. Penhall; Jas. Bowman, 4 and 5. Cow or heifer 3 years and over: F. W. Stone Stock Co., 1 and 4; Samuel Young, 2 and 3; Jas. Bowman, 5.

Galloway and Devon.—Steer or heifer 2 years and under 3: C. C. Rudd, Eden Mills. Galloway steer or heifer 1 year and under 2: C. C. Rudd; D. McCrae, Guelph, 2 and 3. Steer or heifer under 1 year: C. C. Rudd; D. McCrae, 2 and 3.

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