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GOSSIP.

CLYDESDALES AT KILMARNOCK.

At the annual spring show at Kilmarnock, Scotland, last month, prizes were, as usual, offered for Clydesdale colts, mares, fillies and geldings, and the competition was keen, there being a large entry in every section, except for yeld mares. The Scottish Farmer says: The unprecedented success of the Baron's Pride yearling colt, bred by Mr. John Cocker, Hill o' Petty, Fyvie, and owned by Messrs. A. & W. Montgomery, Kirkcudbright, was generally approved. He was awarded first in his class, the male championship, the Clydesdale Horse Society's medal as the best yearling or two-year-old of either sex, and the President's gold medal as the best Clydesdale of either sex on the ground. He was similarly successful at the Aberdeen Spring Show five weeks ago. His dam was a mare by the H. and A. S. champion, Prince Thomas (10262), and he is a very handsome, upstanding, well-ribbed colt, with the best of feet and legs, and very close movement. His limbs are planted right, and he never stands or moves wrong. Reserve to him for all open honors stood Mr. H. B. Marshall's very handsome, upstanding two-year-old filly, Sarcelle, bred by Mr. Anderson, Comisty, Huntly, and got by the champion sire, Everlasting (11331), also out of a mare by Prince Thomas. Sarcelle won first in her class and the female championship. Last year she was second at Kilmarnock, first at Glasgow, and third at the H. & A. S. Show, Edinburgh. She also won the Clydesdale Horse Society's medal at Glasgow, and other local prizes. She has developed wonderfully, and is now a big, sweet-boned filly, a nice close mover, and very good at the ground. In the case of the brood mares, there was a fine display. Mr. J. Ernest Kerr, of Harviestoun, was placed first with his celebrated champion, Pyrene, champion at Glasgow and the Royal in 1907, and Cawdor Cup champion in 1906. In a strong class of two-year-old colts, Mr. Kilpatrick's St. Clair, the winner at Glasgow Stallion Show, and got by Sir Humphrey, was put first. He had a strong opponent in Mr. Guild's Sam Black, by Baron O'Dee,

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by Baron's Pride, which again stood second to him as at the earlier show. He is a thorough gentleman's horse, with size, style and quality to commend him. His feet and limbs are all a Clydesdale man wants, and in respect of beauty of outline and general levelness of merit he stands nearly, if not quite, alone.

SPRINGFIELD SHORTHORNS AND OXFORD DOWN SHEEP.

Five miles from either Midland or Wyevale Stations (G. T. R.) is the splendid Springfield Stock Farm, the property of Messrs. C. Rankin's Sons, Wyebridge, Ont., the well-known importers and breeders of Shorthorn cattle and Oxford Down sheep. Totalling about 40 strong, the Shorthorn herd is one of the richest and most fashionably-bred herds in the country. Twelve of the breeding cows are imported, among them such grandly-bred ones as Deeside Girl (imp.), a Jilt, sired by Lord Methuen; Bloomer (imp.), a Kibblean Beauty, by Merry Mason; Diamond Bracelet (imp.), a Bracelet, by Arthur; Dalmeny Veronica 2nd (imp.), a Veronica, by Golden Gift; Princess 33rd (imp.), by True Scotch; Isabella 21st, by Famous Pride (imp.); Sunflower 9th (imp.), by Kitchener; Lovely 56th (imp.), by Cyprus; Lady Ella Hor (imp.), a Wimple, by Prince of the Vale; Marjory (imp.), a Begonia, by Livy, etc. Out of these cows are a number of one, two- and three-year-old heifers, the got of Imp. Rosierucian of Dalmeny, Imp. Pride of Scotland, and the present stock bull, Imp. Ruby's Knight = 68968, by the Lancaster bull, Lochabar, dam Rubyhill 15th. These heifers are for sale, and with such excellent rich breeding are a very desirable lot. In young bulls, there are only two left at all near fit for service, one, ten months old, out of Imp. Princess 33rd, and by the stock bull; the other, eleven months old, out of Imp. Marjory, and by the stock bull. No fancy prices are asked for any of these youngsters—bulls or heifers. The flock of Oxford Down sheep are a grand good representative lot, well-fleshed, and well-covered. This year's crop of lambs are by an Arkell-bred ram, and will be for sale later on. Make a note of it.