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## **GOSSIP.**

The Ontario Provincial Fat Stock and Dairy Show will be held at Brantford, Dec. 6th to 8th. The Shorthorn bull advertised by H. C. Graham, Ailsa Craig, is sired by Caliph, whose full brother was exhibited by A. W. Smith, Maple Lodge, at Toronto fair in 1897, and was afterwards sold to be used at O. A. C. Guefph. SURVEYING AND MAPPING

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Granam, Alisa Craig, is show, J. W. Smith, Maple Lodge, a: Toronto fair in 1897, and was after wards sold to be used at O. A. C. Gueefph. Ellis Bros. Bedford Park, near Toronto, breeders of high-class Holsteins, offer in our advertising columns some choice young bulk and heifers from their "Gem" herd, which stands high in regard to quality and capacity for good work in milk production. Write them for prices, stating what you want. A. & G. Rice, Currie's, Ont., breeders of high-class Holsteins, owners of the champion cow, Calamity Jane, winner of the milk test sweepstake premium at the Provincial Dairy show for two years, and of many other first prizes at leading shows in Canada, offer a few young bulks and heifers from their up-to-date herd. Write them for prices. The Smithfield Fat Stock Club of Great Britain will celebrate its centenary year at the next Christmas show, at which handsome special prizes will be offered. The Prince of Wales, who has been appointed President of the year, has promised a 100-guinea challenge oup for the best pen of sheep in the hail, and the Duke of York offered a 50 guinea challenge oup for the best pen of pigs. Cattle are provided for in the Club offered by Her Majesty the Queen. One thousand pounds is to be withdrawn from the Club is invested funds to increase the prize list for thus year. Mr. John Stigley's sale of Shorthorns, heid as per advertisement, at Allendale, Ont., on March 9th, was fairly successful. The foliow-ing are the prices and purchasers of animals brunging over \$60: — Drucilla = 2081f=, \$10, Join Rutledge, Vigo, Ont.; Delia Poworth =2030f=, \$70, Robt. Miller, Brougham, Oat.; Highland Maid =20008=, \$106, R. Gliph, Thorn-ton, Ont.; Henoine = 22667=, \$85; Holly Rese =29006=, \$70, Robt. Miller, Brougham, Oat.; Highland Maid =20008=, \$106, R. Gliph, Thor-ton, Ont.; Henoine = 22667=, \$88, James Millace, Dalston, Ont.; Ina, \$55, NJ Uyment, Barrie, Ont.; Iois, \$70, Hobert Carr. Painswick, Ont.; Josie, \$65, H. Raikes, Cal-gary; Isaude, \$70, Gracotus (bull) =21540=,

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