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Group from the Aaggie Family of Holsteins, the property of Smiths & Powell, Syracuse, N.Y.

HOLSTEINS.

The following letter from Messrs. Smiths & Powell, of Syracuse, N.Y., accompanying the engraving of their group of the Aaggie family, which appears in this issue of THE CANADIAN BREEDER, will be found interesting:—

THE AAGGIE FAMILY OF HOLSTEINS.

Editor of THE CANADIAN BREEDER.

We send you herewith a cut of the group of the Aaggie family, recently drawn from life by the young American artist, Cecil Palmer. The original picture, of which this is a reduced copy, he pronounces the most natural and finest work of his life. Each animal was accurately and

carefully drawn, giving a very close portrait of each as it then appeared. This group consists of Aaggie, her son Neptune, Aaggie Rosa, Aaggie Beauty, Aaggie Beauty 2d, Aaggie Kathleen, Aaggie May and her calf Horace, by Neptune. The Aaggie, we believe, is conceded to be the largest milking family yet produced of any breed.

Lady Clifden, a sister to Aaggie, was the first cow ever known to have produced 16,275 pounds of milk in a year.

Aaggie was the first cow to produce 18,000 pounds in a year.

Her daughter, Aaggie 2nd, is the only two-year old that has ever given 17,746 pounds in a year.

Aaggie Clara, imported by us last year, was

the first two-year-old to give 65 pounds in a day.

Aaggie Constance, the marvellous two-year-old, which has given us, this season, 76 pounds 6 ounces in 24 hours, so far has no equal.

Aaggie Rosa gave last year, the first season after importation, when not fully acclimated, 16,156 pounds 10 ounces in a year.

Aaggie Beauty, commencing in February, only a month after coming out of quarantine, when three years old past, gave 13,573 pounds 15 ounces in a year.

Aaggie Beauty 2d, commencing in February, at 23 months of age, when only a month out of quarantine, gave 9,684 pounds 2 ounces in 11 months 14 days, when she was due to drop her next calf.