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Official records of 266 Holstein-Friesian cows were accepted for entry in the American Holstein Advanced Registry, from January 12th to January 19th, 1912. This herd of 266 animals, of which nearly one-half were heifers with first or second calves, produced in seven consecutive days, 107,962.8 lbs. of milk containing 3,722.705 lbs. of fat; thus showing an average of 3.45 per cent. fat. The average production for each animal was 405.9 lbs. of milk containing 13.995 lbs. butter-fat; equivalent to nearly 58 lbs. or 27.6 quarts of milk per day, and over 16.3 lbs. of the best commercial butter per week.

LAMBING SEASON IN ENGLAND. To give our readers some idea of the size of the breeding flocks of sheep kept on English farms, we quote from The Live.stock Journal: "J. H. Dean & Sons, Lincoln, write: In our Lincoln Longwool flock we put, roughly speaking, 1,200 ewes to the ram. only half-way through the lambing season (February 10th), but so far the result is satisfactory. The percentage of pairs is about twenty." In the Beckhampton flock of Hampshire Downs, the property of S. Darling, lambing commenced the first week in January, and out of 540 ewes mated, 450 have lambed, with a greater number of twins than usual, especially the two-teeth ewes. George Adams & Sons, Berkshire, write February 8th, "The lambing season progresses slowly, but the lambs come healthy and strong. Regarding our flock of Oxford Downs, 600 were put to the ram, and up to now about 250 have lambed. Twenty-five per cent. of the ewes have lambed twins." In J. R. Keeble's flock of 300 Suffolk ewes, lambing commenced the first week in January. The lambs have come healthy and strong, with over 50 per cent. of twins, and very few lambs have died.

A SUCCESSFUL CLYDESDALE MAN. The remarkable success attained by John Semple, of Milverton, Ont., in the matter of sales of Clydesdale stallions and fillies of his own importation, is a pretty good indication that his knowledge of the quality of Clydesdale wanted in Canada is acted on when selecting his importations in Scotland. Anyone wanting something particularly good in either stallions or fillies, can generally find it in Mr. Semple's stables, where a big selection is constantly on hand. At the head of his stud just now is the highlyfinished, flashy-quality stallion, Popinjay (imp.), one of the best sons of the great sire, Royal Favorite, dam by Dunure Blend. So popular is this splendid horse in the Milverton district that his book for 1912 is already more than half full, among which is the noted show filly owned by Dickson Bros., of Atwood. This filly has to her credit as winnings, eighteen first prizes and seven championships, including two firsts and two championships at London, and is only now three years old. Mr. Semple has refused many tempting offers for this horse, but believing there is a great future ahead of him as a sire, has decided to keep him. Among Mr. Semple's many recent sales is a half-sister to this horse, Milverton Queen (imp.), a bay three-yearold, to David Harran, of Newton. This filly was bred by Mr. Semple's father, i e blood of and invest

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