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STOCK NOTES.

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T. Breckon, Esq., of Glencoe, recently purchased from Mr. Anthony Hughes his three-year-old filly Molly Muldoon, which took 1st prize at the last Provincial.

Mr. F. W. Stone, of Guelph, Ont., writes: "I have made the following sales of sheep, viz., 70 Southdown rams to Messrs. Geary Bros., London; to D. A. Macdonald, Gengarry, one Cotswold ram and eight Cotswold ewes; to Hy. Arkell, Arkell, Ont., one Cotswold ram.

AUCTION SALES.—Messrs. Cowan & Patterson purpose holding a joint sale of high-bred Shorthorn cattle and Shropshire down sheep from the Clochmohr and Eastwood herds. Sale at Mr. Cowan's, near Galt, Oct. 13th. Mr. John Washington, of Auburn, Ont., will also have a public sale of thoroughbred Shorthorns and Oxford and Shropshire grade sheep, Oct. 22nd.

PERCHERON HORSES.—A telegram from New York announces the arrival, Sept. 8th, of the steamship Holland, from Havre, France, with an immense shipment of Percheron horses. This stock, numbering one hundred and eighty head, was purchased in France and imported by M. W. Dunham, of Wayne, DuPage Co., Illinois, and is the first of his series of importations for 1885. The horses, among which are nine French Coach stallions—splendid specimens—arrived in good order and were immediately shipped by special train of Mr. Dunham's own improved live-stock express cars, to "Oaklawn Farm," Wayne, Illinois, arriving there about Sept. 11th.

Overfeeding is the most common and most injurious mistake made in the management of all kinds of stock, says the "N. Y. Times." We even overfeed, and so greatly harm, ourselves and our children. A large proportion of the exceedingly numerous deaths among infants and young children is due to overfeeding, and if we cram our children to death it is no wonder we should make the same fatal mistake with young chickens, calves and pigs. It is quite safe to say that 90 per cent. of all the disorders of these young animals results from overfeeding. A shepherd will more easily raise 99 per cent. of his lambs than a farmer will rear 50 per cent. of his hatched chicks, and the reason is that the lambs feed themselves, while the chickens are fed and crammed as long as their little crops will hold one more grain of food. Then the fatal diarrhea comes on, the chicks are weak and puny and fall a prey to the gape worms, or they become paralyzed or mope about with ruffled feathers until they die.

In reference to the prices of cattle in that State, the Texas Live-Stock Journal, Fort Worth, under date of June 13th, says: "During the past month or two, prices of cattle have varied very little. Indeed, the transactions on which cattle quotations have been based have been at figures very close to our quotations of two months ago. The prices now are as follows: Panhandle—Strictly first-class yearlings per head, \$15 to \$16; two year-olds, \$19 to \$20; cows and calves, \$30. Western Texas—Yearlings, \$11 to \$12; two-year-olds, \$15 to \$17.50; cows and calves, \$25 to \$26. Central Texas—Yearlings, \$9 to \$10; two-year-olds, \$13 to \$14; cows and calves, \$23 to \$24. Southern Texas—Yearlings, \$8 to \$9; two-year-olds, \$12 to \$13; cows and calves, \$20 to \$22. Eastern Texas—Yearlings, \$6 to \$7; two-year-olds, \$10 to \$12; cows and calves, \$17 to \$20. These prices are for stock delivered on the ranges where raised. So far as we are able to ascertain, cattle can be had at the prices above, but not less than the lowest figures for any class given, and the only concessions known have been in the locality of delivery. These figures are \$4 per head lower than prices paid last year in every instance. These prices are strong, and will go no lower. The State is in fine condition, and able to mature every hoof of stock upon it."

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