

GOSSIP.

THE NOTED MENIE AYRSHIRE HERD

The splendid condition in which the well-known Menie herd of show-calibre Ayrshires, the property of Alex. Hume, of Menie, Ont., are coming through the winter, is an indication that the shortage of feed prevalent throughout Western Ontario was not nearly so vital a problem for the breeders east of the County of Durham. There is no more enthusiastic breeder of the ever-increasingly popular breed of Scotch dairy cows in the Dominion, than the owner of this great herd. For over a quarter of a century the Menie herd has held their reputation as one of the greatest show herds in the country, and we believe we are well within the truth in saying that Mr. Hume has won more prizes at such shows as Toronto, London, and Ottawa, on animals bred in the herd, than any other breeder in Canada. For very many years the herd was annually strengthened by importations selected by Mr. Hume, and by that means kept up to the highest standard of excellence, and many of the leading herds, from the Atlantic to the Pacific, as well as south of the line, were founded or strengthened by animals imported or bred by Mr. Hume. The herd to-day, in respect of quality, productiveness and show-ring type, is particularly strong, headed by that great bull, Imp. Auchenbrain Hercules, first at London last fall in a strong class, and afterwards awarded the championship. He is a bull particularly level in his lines, with great depth, and extra good shoulders. He is breeding extra well, and will certainly become noted as a sire of show things. To enumerate the many high-class cows and heifers in the herd would require too much space, therefore the few we mention are only a fair representation of the herd. Glen Shaurock Canty Again (imp.) is a great show cow, big in size, of fine type and quality. Her R. O. P. test shows a yield of 11,140 lbs. of over 4-per-cent. milk in the year. Another right choice one, and a winner many times, is Annie Warkworth, who, in her test in nine months, gave 9,400 lbs., testing 4.2 per cent. Stonycroft Lady Helen (imp.), as a three-year-old, in 9½ months, gave 8,900 lbs., and won first prize in the three-year-old class at Toronto. Another Toronto first-prize winner, both as a two- and as a three-year-old, is Clerkland Kate 2nd (imp.). She also won championship at London last fall, and is the kind that will win many times more. Many of the others are in the R. O. P. records, and have now leading honors at Toronto and London. In females, for sale, are a number from two years old up, some in the official records, some now in the test, and others not yet in milk, all in calf or sired by the present stock bull; a strictly high-class lot. In young bulls, Mr. Hume is offering a limited number, from calves up to breeding age, all sired by the stock bull, and from dams imported, or bred from imported stock, and some out of R. O. P. dams. Mr. Hume reports the demand for Ayrshires as steady, particularly for foundation stock, he having shipped several lately to Rainy River District.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. Miscellaneous.

POWER.

Will you please answer in the next issue of "The Farmer's Advocate," which you would recommend, a gasoline or coal-oil engine or windmill, for grinding grain, cutting straw and sawing wood?
W. B.

Ans.—We would try the gasoline engine or coal-oil engine. The windmill is too irregular. Gasoline has been tried, and has proved to be efficient.

PLANTING FRUIT TREES.

We intend to plant about 100 fruit trees, of which half are apples, the rest being small fruits. The land is hard sub-soil. How would you nourish the trees till they are permanently planted, and how treated at the time of planting?
D. B.

Ans.—Cultivate the land thoroughly before planting. If in poor condition, give a good dressing of barnyard manure. When you get the trees, heel them in and ready to plant. Keep the roots covered away from the sun. Plant as early as the weather and soil will permit. Give frequent cultivation.

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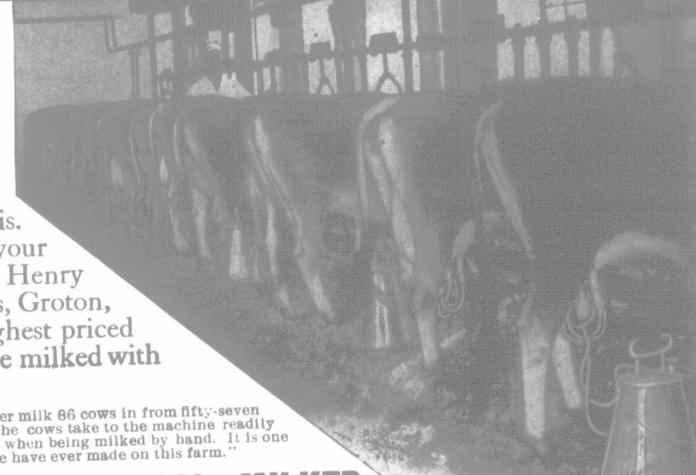
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