

## OUR ILLUSTRATIONS.

Shorthorn bull Barmpton Hero, 278, 58813, the property of J. & W. B. Watt, Salem, Ont.

Barmpton Hero, 278, 58813, roan, was bred by Mr. J. Dryden, Brooklin, Ont., and now stands at the head of the herd of Shorthorns owned by Messrs. J. & W. B. Watt. He has won seventeen first prizes at our best shows, and is one of the best stock-getters; was sired by the Cruikshank bull Royal Barmpton (32996), dam Mimulus, imp., by Champion of England (17526), g. d. Mistletoe by Lord Raglan (13224.)

Duke of Albany, 1202, the property of Wm. Heron & Son, Ashburn, Ont.

Illustration Duke of Albany, 1202, roan was bred by A. Cruikshank, Sittyton, Scotland, and now stands at the head of the herd of Shorthorns owned by Messrs. Wm. Heron & Son, Ashburn, Ont. He is an animal of great merit, being a provincial winner, and sire of some good calves. He was got by Roan Gauntlet (35284), dam Acrimony by Barmpton (37763), g. d. Abarilla by Barmpton Prince (32995).

## OAKLANDS DAIRY COTTAGE.

The Oaklands Jersey dairy cottage, of which we give an illustration, is a credit to Mr. Fuller's enterprise. He is reaping the reward of the spirit and energy he has brought to bear on the business he has so successfully built up, and well he deserves it.

## PERCHERONS.

Please give me the names of houses in Canada, importers of Percheron horses. By answering above you will oblige.

JUDY.

Hiram Walker & Sons, Essex stock farm, Walkerville, Ont.

## VERY PECULIAR TROTTING INHERITANCE.

Dr. McMonagle, of Prescott, Ont., writes the *Turf, Field, and Farm* as follows:—

"The bay gelding Stadacona, 15.1 $\frac{1}{2}$ , wall-eye (right), two white hind socks, left fore pastern white, broad, twisted to the right blaze in the forehead and face, flexed and continued to an absolutely white nose and upper lip, was bred and is still owned by Mr. Swift of Quebec, who yet owns and utilizes his dam as a brood mare. Stadacona was in training as a three-year-old for the Queen's Plate in Canada; has run a quarter trial in 25 $\frac{1}{2}$  seconds; but in his training practice, with a lad on his back, exhibited so much trotting speed that he was withdrawn from running and put to work in light harness, with a view to trotting development. As a trotter Stadacona wears no weights when at speed, simply protection boots, and in 1884 trotted and won a race at Barrie, Ontario, securing a record of 2.44 $\frac{1}{2}$ , obtaining also a similar record by winning a heat at the Quebec meeting this season of 1885. I am assured by Mr. Swift that Stadacona was bred as follows:—Sired by Carlton, a thoroughbred

runner and performer, a grandson of Lexington; dam, bred by Dr. Coleman, V.S., Ottawa, Ontario, May Queen, full sister to Galatea, a noted steeplechase runner and hurdle racer of Canada, and winner of thirteen out of nineteen such contests; by Sunshine, out of Queen, by imp. Emigrant. The above is the rendering given me by Mr. Swift, breeder, owner, trainer, and driver of Stadacona; but my recollection is that Queen was by Black Jack (Rescue), thoroughbred son of Emancipation, thus:—

Stadacona, trotter, 2.44 $\frac{1}{2}$ .  
 Carlton, thoroughbred (Logan Bruce), grandson of Lexington, by Boston, p. 561, Vol. I., Bruce's Stud Book.

May Queen, full sister to Galatea  
 Sunshine, thoroughbred, page 78, Vol. I.  
 Queen. Black Jack, thoroughbred (Rescue), page 670, unknown to me.

"Stadacona is entered in this fall's Northern New York Trotting Circuit, and on his way hence to Watertown, stopping at Ogdensburg, I was invited to inspect him and see him speed for exercise on the Oswegatchie track. Being cognizant of the ability of Stadacona to trot many seconds faster than his present record, I request publicity to the above and invite investigation as to his breeding and history."

The same paper in a note says that the mare by Black Jack was named Queen of Trumps. It may be added that Carlton above referred to was a very clever little galloper (thoroughbred) by Lee Paul, a son of Lexington. Sunshine was another thoroughbred, being by imported Balrownie out of imported Comfort by Irish Birdcatcher. Should Stadacona trot below a "twenty gait" he will prove a sad stumbling block to those who object to running blood in the trotter.

## Correspondence.

## SUPPRESSION OF TIME.

To the Editor of THE CANADIAN BREEDER.

Thanks for your timely article on the suppression of time in trotting races, and it applies just as much to horses in the States as to those in the Dominion. Ida Ervon, now owned at Mexico, Mo., started in a no time race at the Vernon Mo., county, fair, and had a fine of \$100 assessed against her. I like to see THE BREEDER come out honestly and squarely. I cannot but think that if the editor of THE BREEDER was going to try to breed trotters he would leave the little Canuck and take the royally true blue blood of England, and I have no doubt that, like hundreds of others who have tried it, he would fail of success. Will the said gentleman please manipulate the trotting records so as to show that any thoroughbred ever trotted a full mile in three minutes, or that any half-bred horse ever entered the 2.30 list whose sire or dam was not at least half pacing bred; he will have an all summer job. The editor of THE BREEDER takes it for granted that because "Hopeful" is trying to breed trotters in south-west Missouri, he knows nothing of the Canuck, while his earliest recollections are of learning to ride horseback, and his steed was a bay Canuck with a curly mane and tail. Later, one of the pleasantest road horses he ever sat behind was

brought down into Vermont from Canada, a sorrel with white face and legs, and could road close to a 2.40 gait. If the editor and readers of THE BREEDER will study American equine history, they will find in Rhode Island there was a race or breed of pacers, and large numbers of them were taken to Canada, and they were undoubtedly the progenitors of the now famous Pilot, Canada Chief, Davy Crockett, St. Lawrence, and the many other first-class sires brought to the States from Canada.

The breeders of the United States and Canada want to read all sides and hold fast that which is good, and keeping the central truths before their eyes: 1st. The pacer is faster than the trotter. 2nd. There are ten trotters to one pacer in training, and there are sixteen 2.15 pacers to eleven 2.15 trotters, that six of these are at least one-quarter pacing bred. 3rd. That no sire of fast trotters has ever failed to produce some fast pacers, and that no fast pacing sire ever failed to produce some fast trotters. 4th. That the sire having the largest number of 2.30 trotters was himself a fast pacer. 5th. That no thoroughbred that ever lived has sired two colts that both trotted or paced into the 2.30 list, that no thoroughbred has ever sired a three-minute trotter from a full blood runner. 6th. That no horse having a thoroughbred dam has ever sired uniform winners in trotting or pacing races. Taking these for the literal truths they cannot come out far wrong, and they will pass the Lexingtons, Lapidists, Long Fellows, and Grey Eagles, to take the Blue Bulls, Hiogogs, Hazards, Tom Hals, Crowders, and Legal Tenders, or they will take established trotting families and sires.

One word about the colt Palo Alto, so widely advertised as the dam Winnie colt. Out of all the thoroughbred dams experimented with by Gov. Sanford, this is the one colt giving a show to that blood. He undoubtedly was a world of speed, but if he has any of the qualities of the ancestry of his dam, and he ever meets a colt having 70 per cent. of his speed, you will find a race lost for Palo Alto, and the grapevine breaks of Jay-eye-see will be outdone. The fastest animal we have in our breeding animals is a mare dam by Lapidist, but a Pilot Blackhawk 10 seconds slower will beat her every time in a race of heats. Let us have all sides and hold fast that which is good.

HOPEFUL.

Pierce City, Missouri, August 28, 1885.

## OUR ENGLISH LETTER.

From our own Correspondent.

LIVERPOOL, Aug. 22nd, 1885.

Imports of Canadian stock for current week are very light, and the prospects for next few days seem more encouraging. Despite the serious losses experienced by United States exporters, they still keep pluckily on, hoping in time to beat off their Dominion rivals. How, or why, they hold on to the business, it is difficult to guess, but all the time they face the music, smiling. Our own shippers have had it pretty stiff for a few weeks past, and many of them, no doubt, are a trifle scared, but on the whole they have had, comparatively speaking, quite a good time compared with the Yankee dealer. This week things have improved a bit, and prices are higher by nearly 2c. per lb. than they were eight days ago, but even at 14c. per lb.—the extreme quotation for Canadian cattle—there can't be much of a profit. Prices are still too high on your side to make our markets remunerative, and now that we are within a measurable distance of the finish up, shippers