

STOCK GOSSIP.

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Mr. T. H. Medcraft, Sparta, Ont., called at our office June 13th, and reported his Shropshire sheep and Large Improved Yorkshire swine as doing well. He claims to have the best lot of yearling rams and lambs he ever had. His yearling rams number thirteen, his lambs twenty-four. Mr. Medcraft has a very good flock of sheep and a fine herd of Yorkshires. He reports the demand good, but says he has now a number of very fine Yorkshires for sale.

Messrs. John Morgan & Sons, Kerwood, in a recent letter write:—"I sold the bull calf, Gold-finder, which we exhibited at the 'Chicago World's Fair,' to Thomas Carrol, of Wilksport. He is a very superior youngster, and will doubtless grow to be an excellent animal. We have a few good things for the fall shows. Our animals will appear in the show rings of 1894."

A. W. Young, Tupperville, has found advertising in the FARMER'S ADVOCATE a profitable investment. He writes under date of June 11th:—"I have only four fall pigs left, but I have a splendid lot of youngsters now ready to ship; they are all got by that King of Poland-China sires, Canada Wilkes. I have thirteen select sows yet to farrow, and can supply customers at any season with pigs of any desired age. Send for my free catalogue."

On June 8th, Mr. James Thompson, Mildmay, sent us the following:—"I have been breeding Leicesters for thirty-five years; they are considered good sheep, but the little experience I have had with the latest introduction, viz., the Suffolks, leads me to conclude they surpass the Leicesters as dams and milkers. For the production of early lambs, I doubt if there is and breed to excel them. The lambs grow any fatten very quickly. Below I give the age and weight of three of my Suffolk lambs: The first, a twin, 150 days old, weighs 103 lbs.; second, 97 days old, weighs 102 lbs.; third, 86 days old, weighs 84 lbs. At the present time their average daily gain in one pound per day. Who can beat this?"

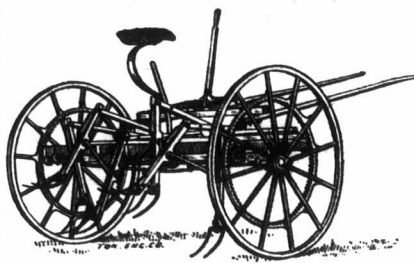
Mr. Jonas Webb, of the English firm of Messrs. John Thompson & Co., auctioneers, etc., under a recent date, writes as follows:—"The improvement in the result of the Short-horn sales in England is well maintained since the high prices at the Kenwick sale, and that of Mr. Edmunds' herd in Gloucestershire, where 265 gs. and 210 gs. were respectively made for young bulls—one for Ireland and the other for South America. On May 22nd, at Mr. James Howell's sale, in South Wales, a bull calf of the old Gwynne family (from the branch bred many years in Cumberland) made 100 gs., the purchaser being Mr. F. W. Bond. The recent death of Mr. Hugh Aylmer, the noted Norfolk agriculturist, will bring this entire herd suddenly into the market on the Friday of the R. A. S. C. show week, June 29th next, the day after the sale of H. R. H. the Prince of Wales' Hackneys in the same county."

H. Bollert, of Cassel, reports that the Maple Grove Holsteins are doing very finely since going to grass. The heifer, Jennie, E. 4th, which was two years old March 26th last dropped a beautiful heifer on April 8th, and commenced her milk record on the 13th, and gave in thirty days 1,275 lbs. 10 ozs., or an average of 42 lbs. per day. She is now on grass alone, and under very unfavorable circumstances, milking from 45 to 48 lbs. daily. Under similar circumstances, I believe that she stands without an equal in Canada. The most gratifying part of it is that she is one of my own breeding, which proves that I am working on the right principle. The calves from Colanthus Abbecker (all heifers this season) are a grand lot. An enterprising dairyman from Waterloo Co., who looked them over lately, pronounced them the best he had ever seen. He said: If you look at them you can see the word milk written in large letters at every point. They certainly are of the true dairy form.

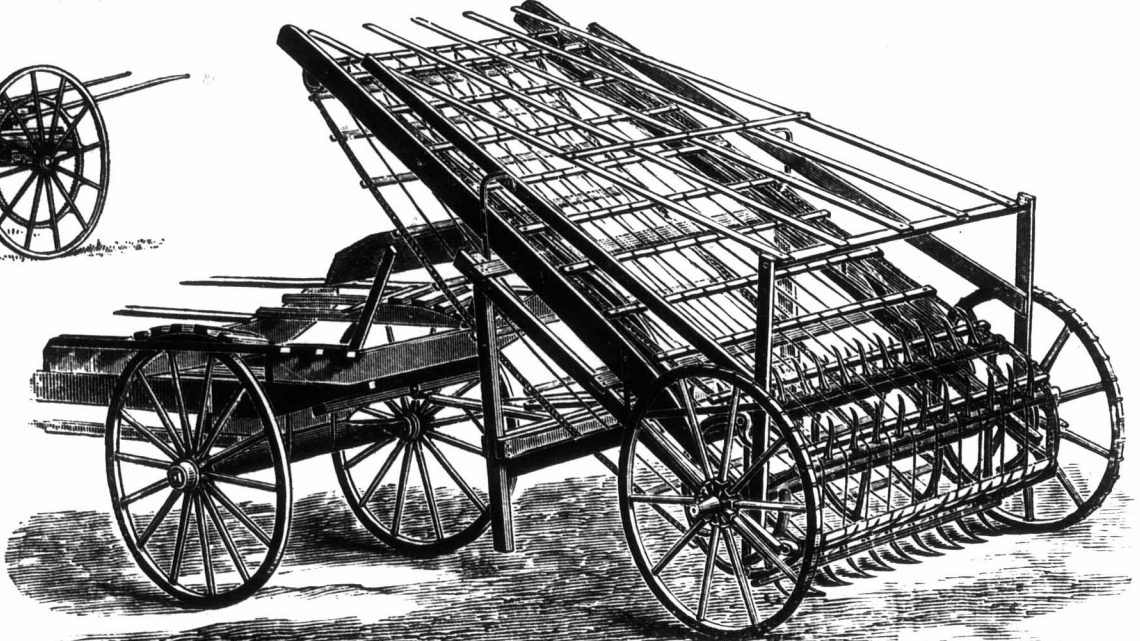
Messrs. W. & J. Menzies, of Kirkwall P. O., Ont., have recently bought from Mr. Arthur Johnston, of Greenwood, the beautifully-bred red bull, Indian Lancaster, sired by Indian Chief, and out of Mary Anne of Lancaster 15th, by imp. Warfare 667 1/2, G. D. imp. Mary Anne of Lancaster 11th, of the famous old Lancaster, or Lavender family, so very popular at Sittytton, and at Kewal, Indian Lancaster is a big growthy calf, of March 27th, 1893. He is stylish, full of quality, and exceedingly well-fleshed. He is one of the right good ones of the old Chief's get. On his dam's side, he is descended from an extraordinary milking kind. His grand-dam, though in her eleventh year, made three pounds of butter per week—with the calf running at her foot, and sucking all it could take the present season. She continued this for four weeks, and then dropped to her two pounds per week, under the same circumstances, only that her calf was able to take more. The Messrs. Menzies have a nice select little herd of Shorthorns, and this young bull ought to leave his mark.

Mr. R. H. Harding, of Thorndale, a prominent and successful breeder of Improved Chester White hogs, has recently added to his already select herd an imported boar and sow from the noted herd of S. H. Todd & Son, of Wakeman, Ohio. Their pigs were each premium-winners at the World's Fair, Chicago. The sow was reserved by Messrs. Todd & Son for the sweepstake premium as best sow any age, and formed part of the first premium herd of boar and three sows over one year; she was again in the herd that won first premium as boar and three sows over one year, bred by exhibitor. This sow weighed, when twelve months old, over 300 pounds. She has great length and depth, is of the type so much in demand at the present time. The boar took second premium in a very strong class in the section for boar six months and under one year; he was at the head of the herd that won first premium in section for boar and three sows under one year, the award being the same position in the first premium herd of boar and three sows over one year, bred by exhibitor. These hogs were imported by Mr. T. E. Brothour, of Thorndale, the very successful breeder of Yorkshires, and sold by him to Mr.

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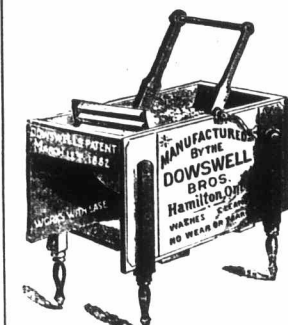
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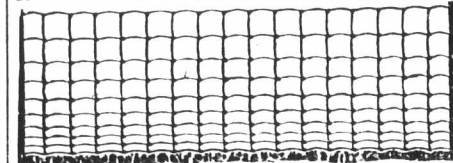
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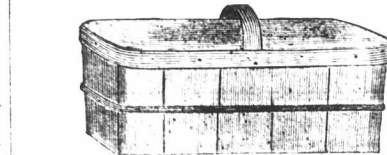
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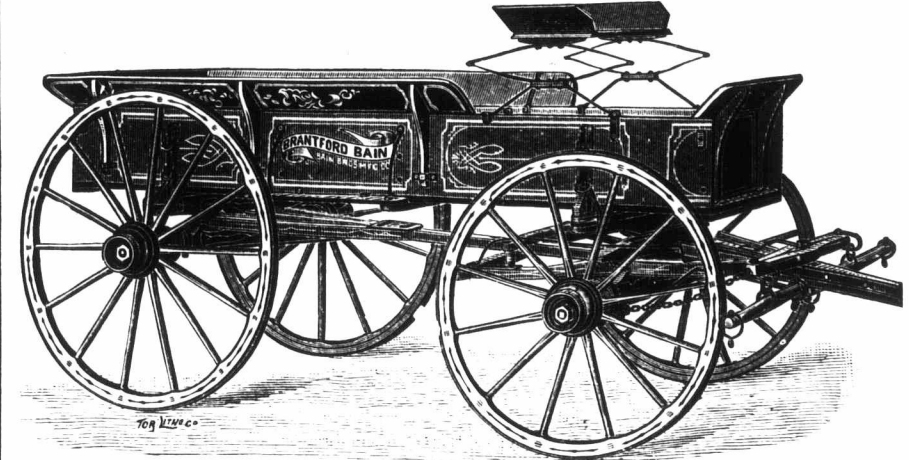
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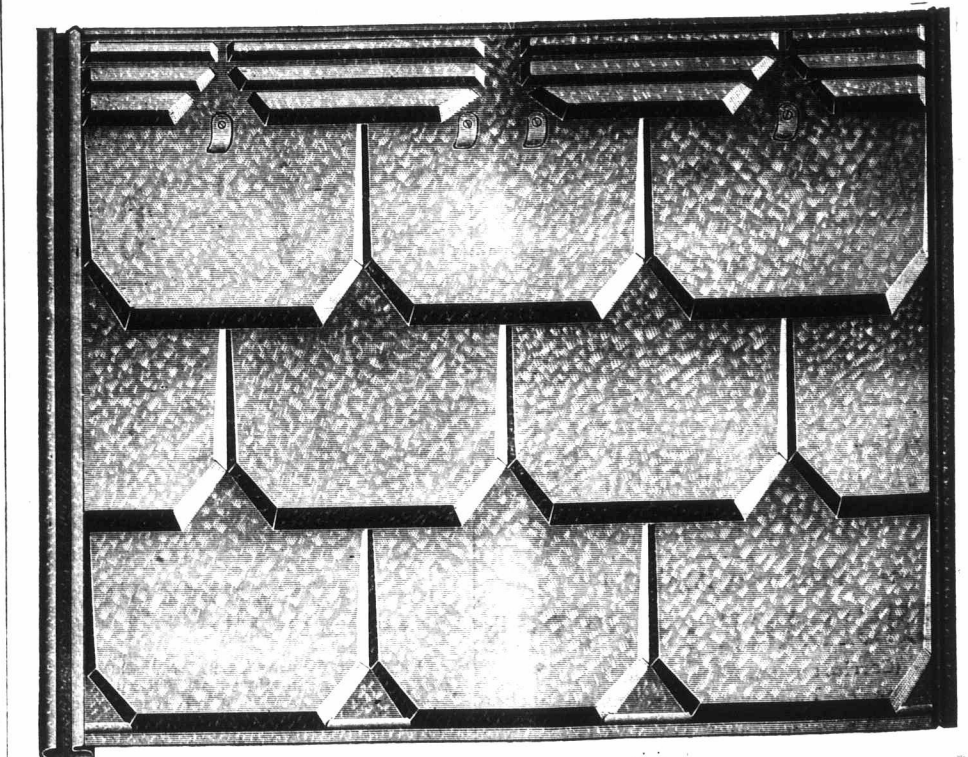
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