#### STOCK GOSSIP.

A large amount of interesting stock go sip is unavoidably crowded out of this issue, we regret this very much, but it is absolutely unavoidable.

Mr. R. Gibson, Bellevoir Farm, Delaware, has a large importation of choice Shropshire sheep on the way from England. They are expected to arrive in time for the Provincial Exhibition.

H. George & Sons, Crampton P. O., Ont., report their herd of swine in good shape. They will exhibit at the Provincial, and the Industrial Exhibitions this fall. They report their fall pigs coming very strong and healthy. Three of their sows have lately farrowed 40 pigs.

We are pleased to announce that Messrs. George Ertel & Co. have established works in this city under the supervision of Mr. Ertel, jr., for the manufacture of their celebrated hay presses. They guarantee their presses superior to any other made. See advertisement in this issue.

Mr. W. Kirby, manager for Messrs. C. Fairfield & Co., of Waverly, Iowa, recently imported per SS. Superior twenty-eight entire horses, two very fine Hackneys, eleven Belgians, some of which are very choice, and seventeen shires, a number of which were prize winners at leading shows in England.

Mr. Wm. Douglas, lot 80, River Road, four miles west of Caledonia, Onondaga township, will sell by auction, on Tuesday, Oct., 8th next, a fine lot of choice Shorthorn cattle of Bates blood; also a lot of fine Cotswold sheep, and Berkshire pigs of breeding age. Mr. Douglas is one of our oldest breeders. See advertisement.

Wm. Stewart, Jr., Menie P. O., reports the demand for Ayrshire cattle on the increase, he has sold heifer Hattie Bell 1186, to W. W. Dracup. Rawdon township; heifer Apple Blossom 1181, to Edward Chisholm, Front of Sidney, Hastings county. Stock are doing splendidly, never done better. Abundance of feed all over.

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Messrs. Ormsby & Chapman's report:—Our last importation of Shire horses and improved Yorkshire pigs arrived in good order last month (July). The Shires comprise fifteen head in all—twelve stallions and three mares. They are all registered in the English Shire Stud Book, and are, we think, calculated to suit the demand for short-legged, blocky horses. The Yorkshires-six in number—are from the famous herd of Mr. Sanders Spencer, and are pronounced by good judges to be the best we have ever imported. The demand for our pigs has been very great this last year, and seems to be still increasing.

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A representative of the Advocate has recently had the pleasure of inspecting the importation of Mr. J. C. Snell, of Edmonton, Ontario, consisting of pedigreed Berkshire pigs and Cotswold sheep selected by Mr. Snell, in person, from the leading herds and flocks in England. The Berkshires include a choice lot of 16 young boars and 11 sows. To follow the list through would take more space than we can give at present. Suffice it to say, the balance of these young boars strike the visitor as possessing extraordinary length of body and strength of bone, qualities which are being looked for more and more as the demand for muscle or lean meat increases, and size with quality is seldom objectionable. Such a lot of young boars cannot fail to prove of immense value in imparting flesh, blood and constitution in the herds of this continent, into which they may go. The sows are of equally marked character and quality. The Cotswolds comprise a number of very fine yearling rams and ram lambs, and a choice selection of yearling ewes and ewe lambs, which have evidently been selected with a view to meeting the American demand for early maturity, constitution, quality and covering. The ram lambs are especially good, being large, stylish and well wooled, and the importation as a whole is creditable to the judgment and enterprise of the importer, as well as to the skill and taste of the breeders, and cannot fail to be of immense value in improving the flocks and herds of America. Mr. Snell reports an active demand for both pigs and sheep, and satisfactory sales of some of the imported animals as well as those of home breeding.

NOTICES.

Mr. Manson Campbell, of Chatham, is sending out twenty of his improved fanning-mills and baggers every day of the week. They will be on exhibition at the leading Outanio Fairs—London, Toronto, Hamilton, Kingston and Ottawa. Over fifteen thousand have been seld as far this season.

FORTY-FOURTH PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION.—This exhibition is now close at hand, and there is every prospect of it being a success. It is in the interests of breeders to avail themselves of this opportunity of exhibiting their stock, as the prizes won at this "Canadian Royal" will be referred to with pride, and command deference in years to come. We would call attention to the various meetings to be held during the week of the exhibition. On Tuesday evening will be the meeting of the Shire Horse Association. On Wednesday evening the annual meeting of the Council of the Agricultural and Arts Association. On Thursday evening the meeting of the Dominion Sheep-breeders' Association: see programme on page 277. These meetings will doubtless prove instructive and interesting. By special arrangement, artists competing for the FARMER'S ADVOCATE prize for the best pencil drawing of rural Canadian scenery, can make their entries up to the week of the show without payment of entrance fee. This will give all artists a chance to compete.

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### Dates of Principal Fairs to be Held in Canada and the United States.

NAME.	PLACE TO BE HELD.	DATES.	SECRETARY.
h Provincial Exhibition of Agriculture and			
Arts Association of Ontario	London	Sept. 9th to 14th	Henry Wade
dland Central Fairstern Townships Agricultural Association	Kingston.	Aug. 28th to Sept 7th	IK. Meek
stern Townships Agricultural Association	Sherbrooke, P. Q Toronto	Sept. 3rd to 5th	E. Winn Farwell
dustrial Exhibitionntral Canada Fair Association	Toronto	9th to 21st	C. R. W. M'Cuaig
ntral Canada Fair Association	Ottawa Brantford		D M Wilson
antford Southern Fair	Chatham	" 17th to 20th	John Tissiman
nth Renfrew Agricultural Society	Renfrew	" 17th and 18th	W. E. Smallfield
uth Renfrew Agricultural Societyeat Central Fair	Hamilton	" 23rd to 27th	C. R. Smith
orth Lanark Agricultural Society	Almonte	" 24th to 26th	Wm. P. McEwer
ndsay Central Fair.	Lindsay	" 24th to 26th	James Keith
tario and Durham Exhibition Society	Whitby		W. R. Howse
uthern Counties Fair	St. Thomas	" 24th to 27th " 24th to 27th	John A. Kains
terborough Centraleat Nor hern Exhibition Association	Peterborough Collingwood	" 95th to 97th	T. J. Crawford
by of Quinte	Belleville	" 25th to 28th	Wm. Smeaton
pelph Central	Guelph	" 25th and 26th.	R. McKenzie
nelph Centraleat South-Western Exhibition	Guelph	Oct. 1st to 3rd	A. E. Jones
ne Northern Exhibition	Walkerton	" 1st to 4th	Jacob Seegmiller Wm. Black
uth Dorchester	Belmont	" 2nd	Wm. Black
ounty of Prince Edward	Picton	and and ord	Thos. Bog
est Elgin ntario Central	Port Perry	and and ard	D. Campbell
nth Crimeby	Smithville	" 3rd and 4th	H. Gordon W. H. Morgan
orth Renfrew Exhibition	Beachburg	" 3rd and 4th	John Brown
uth Grimsby. orth Renfrew Exhibition orth Perth Agricultural Society	Stratford	3rd and 4th	John Brown
uth Oxford Union Exhibition	Otterville	THE AND OTH	Alex. McFarlane
owfolk Union Fair	Simcoo	" 15th and 16th	I Thos. Murphy
ntario Provincial Fat Stock Show orth Western Exhibition.	Toronto		Heny Wade
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neoln County Fair	St. Catharines	Oct let and and	Thos Pridger
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ounty of Yarmouth	Yarmouth.	" 10th to 11th	Thos. B. Crosby
E. I. Provincial Exhibition	Charlottetown	" 2nd to 3rd	
orld's Greatest Fair and Exposition	Detroit, Mich,	Sept. 17th to 27th	E. W. Cotterell
nio State Fair	Columbus, Ohio	" 2nd to 6th	II. N Ronham
affalo International Fair Association		" 3rd to 13th.	C. W. Robinson
ri-State Fairichigan State Fair	Toledo, Ohio		J. C. Sterling
ew York State Agricultural Society	Lansing, Mich Albany, N. Y	" 19th to 18th	J. S. Woodward
Indiana and S. Michigan Agricultural Society	Mishawaka, Ind	" 16th to 20th	C. G. Towe
Indiana and S. Michigan Agricultural Society  Michigan Agricultural and Industrial Society	Grand Rapids, M	" 23rd to 27th	James Cox
diana State Fair	Indianapolis Ind	" 23rd to 29th	Alex. Heron
Louis Agricultural and Mechanical Association	St. Louis	Oct. 7th to 12th	Arthur Uhl
omber and Tilbury West		" 8th and 9th	John Taylor
est Middlesex	Strathroy		C. Greenaway
orth and West Oxford oodstock	Woodstook	Sept. 17th and 18th.	
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