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C. T. Daykin, of Lacombe, Alta., is starting a herd of Shorthorns. Miss Minnie 2nd, sire Chief Conqueror, dam Miss Minnie, by Valasco 17th, is a thick, breedy cow, winner of first at Calgary in 1900 and 1901, also second in 1902. Her calf this year, an extra fine heifer, won first at Lacombe. Sweet Marie 2nd, got by Money Maker, dam Sweet Marie, by Champion, is a beautiful two-year-old. She has a fine heifer calf at foot. A good, thick roan cow and another fine young heifer completes this small herd at present.

Mr. Percy A. Switzer, of Lacombe, well known around that district as one of the leading and most up-to-date grain-growers, has, of recent years, seeded a fair portion of his farm to timothy and brome. He owns 480 acres, and has over 300 of that cultivated. Some 65 acres are seeded to brome and 50 to timothy, and this year about twenty acres of each, a heavy crop, was cut for seed.

Mr. Switzer grows the Banner and Early Dawson oats. The former yields from ten to fiftcen bushels more per acre, but the latter matures about two weeks earlier, so each has an advantage which should be remembered at seed time, the early-maturing variety being especially suitable for heavy or wet land and well adapted for all kinds of soil. Club spring wheat, Mr. Switzer has proved, will mature earlier than the Fife.

Mr. Switzer has a large, comfortable, nicely-finished frame house, a photo of which appeared in our columns recently, and a new harn, 60x36, full of good timothy hay, with a fine stable under. Some eighty head of good Shorthorn grades and ten horses are kept. The Shire stallion, Hickory Bill [2962], a light bay horse, sired by Duke of Flemington (imp.), dam Queen S., is a fine, thick, smooth animal of good size, and a proven sire of merit.

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