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side, prices here being above an export level. Only 57,000 packages have been exported since the first of the season, against 889,000 for the corresponding period of last year. It is now said that if prices advance only about a cent more, it will be possible to import creamery from Australia, to compete with the home make. Otherwise, it is hard to predict how high the market would go. Creamery advanced to 27½c. to 28c. For last week's receipts buyers paid 28c. to 28½c. at Cowanville on Saturday. Fresh arrivals, in fact, will have to sell at that figure, the range for choicest being 27½c. for held, to 28½c. for fresh. Found prints are selling freely, and are quoted at a cent more than solids, quoted above.

Cheese.—Market higher than ever, having advanced sharply at the end of last week. The strength was due to an increased demand from England, importers waking to the fact that stocks are light everywhere. During the week ending Oct. 6th, the exports from Montreal amounted to 100,500 boxes, making over one-half million and one-half boxes since the first of the season, compared with a million and three-quarters a year ago. Prices here about 18c. to 18½c. per lb. for Quebec, 18½c. to 19c. for Townships, and 19c. to 19½c. for Ontario. Flour and Feed.—The market for flour has been very strong again during the week, and local millers have marked prices up 20c. to 40c. per bbl. on Manitoba grades. These are now quoted at \$5.50 to \$5.70 per bbl., in bags, for strong "bakers", or second patents, and \$5.10 to \$5.30 for first patents. Ontario flour is also higher, prices being \$5.50 for winter wheat patents, and \$5.10 to \$5.20 for straight rollers. Bran is as scarce and firm as ever, and prices are \$23 per ton, and shorts, \$26 to \$28, in bags. It is difficult to get sufficient feed to supply demand.

Grain.—Although the Winnipeg market for oats advanced to about 59c. per bushel, there, purchases may be made here, it is claimed, at that figure, for No. 2 Manitobas. Quebec and Ontario oats, new crop, are obtainable at a spread of about two cents below. The market is very strong. No. 2 Manitoba Northern wheat is quoted at about \$1.20 here.

Hay.—Market steady last week, but the undertone is very strong, and further advances may take place at almost any time. Dealers are quoting \$16 to \$17 per ton for No. 1 timothy, \$15 to \$15.50 for No. 2, and \$13.50 to \$14 for clover and clover mixture. Demand from Ontario is excellent, but there is no export.

Hides.—Dealers are paying a little higher for sheep skins, at 75c. to 80c. each. They are paying 6c., 7c. and 8c. per lb. for Nos. 3, 2 and 1 beef hides, respectively, and 8c. for No. 2 calf skins, and 10c. for No. 1. No. 1 horse hides are \$2.25 each, and No. 2, \$1.75. Tallow is 1c. to 3½c. per lb. for rough, and 6c. to 6½c. for rendered.

BRITISH CATTLE MARKET.

London cables are firmer at 10c. to 12½c. per lb., dressed weight; refrigerator beef is quoted at 9½c. to 10c. per lb.

UP GOES FLOUR.

A despatch from Boston, Mass., records an advance of 25c. to 30c. per barrel in the price of flour, making current prices, \$7.75 to \$8.25 per barrel.

GOSSIP.

A GREAT SALE OF SHIRES.

On Tuesday, October 22nd, as advertised in this paper, an unusually important auction sale of imported Shire stallions, mares and fillies from the noted stud of John Chambers & Sons, Holdenby, England, will be held at St. Thomas, Ont. Messrs. Chambers are prominent breeders of high-class horses of this grand draft breed, which sells higher in Great Britain than any other class of drafters for breeding purposes and for farm and city teaming. The Messrs. Chambers have devoted the whole of their 2,500-acre farm in the very center of the Shire-breeding district to the exclusive business of breeding these horses, and have established a Canadian agency at St. Thomas, Ont., for the Canadian and American market. They are now giving the public a chance to fix the price on a very choice consignment of stallions, mares and fillies by offering them at auction to the highest bidder. The great want of the horse business in Canada is more big, roomy brood mares, with quality combined, and weighty stallions, with strong, clean bone and good feet. It is claimed that in these respects the consignment to be sold at St. Thomas is the best that has ever come to Canada. All are registered in the English Shire Studbook, and are eligible to any Shire horse studbook in the world. The mares and fillies are bred to high-class stallions that are registered in the Shire Studbook of England. The stock has not been pampered, but kept as any farmer can afford to keep them, and they are in the best condition to go on doing well for the purchaser. The catalogue, which will be mailed to intending purchasers on application, shows the breeding of the offering to be first-class, the pedigrees showing six to a dozen or more crosses of notable prizewinning sires. Some excellent matched pairs are included, and the stallions are tried and proven sires of first-class merit. With the present aspect and future prospect of the horse market, no better investment offers than that of a good heavy-draft mare or two. Parties interested should look up the advertisement, apply for the catalogue and attend the sale, St. Thomas is a convenient center to reach, and from which to ship.

On another page is presented a half-tone engraving of Royal King III (24580), a brown three-year-old Shire stallion included in the lot of Shires exported to Canada by R. Moore & Sons, Beeston Fields, Nottingham, Eng., and stabled at the Britannia House, London, Ont., in charge of a member of the firm. Royal King III. is a flat-boned, well-furnished horse, by Royal Warrior (16048), dam Sedate (20814). Sedate has to her credit a long list of first, second and championship winnings at leading English shows, from 1899 to 1904, the catalogue noting 12 firsts and five seconds, besides five medals and championships. Royal Warrior was first at Chatteris, the only time he was ever shown; while his own sister and sire, as well as Sedate's ancestors, make up the formidable list of show-yard honors which embellish the pedigree of Royal King III. For fuller particulars apply for catalogue to R. Moore & Sons, Britannia House, London, Ont.

SCOTTISH CLYDESDALE SALES.

At an auction show and sale of Clydesdale colts, fillies and foals, at Elgin, on Oct. 3rd, under the auspices of the Northern Auction Co., over 50 foals were entered. The first-prize colt foal, by Sir Hugo, sold for £200; the second, also by Sir Hugo, for £34; the third, by the same sire, for £30; and fourth and seventh for £26 each. The first-prize filly foal, by Imperialist, sold for £66; the second and third, by Baron Albion, for £40 and £25, respectively. The first-prize three-year-old filly sold for £81. At a sale of Clydesdales, at Carlisle, Sept. 27th, the first-prize two-year-old gelding sold for 90 guineas (\$470), others at 40 to 55 guineas. The first-prize two-year-old filly brought 60 guineas, others up to 44 guineas.

SALE DATES CLAIMED.

Oct. 17th.—H. K. Fairbairn, Thedford, Ont., Shorthorns.
Oct. 22nd.—Dr. C. K. Geary, St. Thomas, Ont., imported Shires.
Oct. 23rd.—At Guelph, Geo. Amos & Son, Moffat; W. R. Elliot & Sons; and A. E. Meyer, Guelph.
Oct. 24th.—H. J. Spencely, Box Grove, Ont., Clydesdales and Hackneys.
Oct. 30th.—At Woodstock, Ont., J. R. Johnston, Springfield, Ont., 40 imported Clydesdales.
Oct. 31st.—F. & N. Howe, Crampton, Ont., Holsteins.

Mr. James Douglas, Galedonia, Ont., writes: "I wish to draw the attention of readers of 'The Farmer's Advocate' to the change in my advertisement, and to say the stock I am now offering are a specially-good lot, both in Shorthorn and Leicester sheep, and that all inquiries about stock will be cheerfully answered, whether we do business or not. I must say we have done a good season's trade, and were sold out of bulls fit for service entirely, but now have a nice lot just ready for use, and a number of good young cows and heifers for sale. I may offer my stock bull a little later on. Thanks to 'The Farmer's Advocate' for introducing to me a number of my best customers through my advertisement in the paper, which I consider one of the best mediums in America."

WINNINGS OF ROYAL CHOICE.

In your recent issue of 'The Farmer's Advocate' I noticed that, in giving Royal Choice's winnings in Scotland, he is claimed to be champion at Edinburgh, Ayr, and Kilmarnock. I know that he was champion at Edinburgh in 1906, and stood second to Scottish Crest (18182) at the Highland, Scottish Crest being champion. Oyama (18118) was champion at Kilmarnock, and Undaunted Prince (18288) was champion at Ayr, and in 1907 Sir Spencer (13211) was champion at Ayr and Kilmarnock. Sir Spencer is by Sir Hugo (10924), and was bred by Mr. Smith, Reola Farm, Campbelltown, Argyllshire. Sir Spencer stood second to the Cawdor-cup winner, Oyama, at the Glasgow Stallion Show of 1906. ALEX. C. McMILLAN, Lake Co., Indiana.

[Note.—We are indebted to our correspondent for correcting an accidental error, due to misinformation furnished our reporter. From records at hand, it appears that Royal Choice was not first or champion at Kilmarnock in 1905, 1906 or 1907, nor was he first at Ayr in 1906 or 1907. He was, however, champion at Edinburgh in 1906, and also second in his class that year to Scottish Crest, the Highland champion.—Editor.]

Messrs. Geo. Amos & Son, Moffat, Ont., write: "Our contribution to the Shorthorn sale to be held in the Winter Fair buildings, Guelph, Oct. 23rd, will consist, among others, of one son and four daughters of Imp. Old Lancaster =50068=, who was himself grand champion at Toronto, 1905, sire of Flora 90th, the grand champion female of 1907, and the first-prize calf herd and get of sire, which ought to be a sufficient guarantee as to their individuality. The yearling heifer, Victoria Lady, is of the thick, low-set type looked for. She is by Greengill Victor (imp.) =40308=, by Lavender Victor. Victoria Lady's dam is Princess Victoria, by Morning Pride =75113=, grandam Victoria 70th, by G. O. T. This heifer, combining as she does such grand breeding with good individuality, should prove a valuable addition to any herd. Ella Buckingham, a Cruickshank Buckingham, by Old Lancaster (imp.), is another good one. Augusta Lass, a richly-bred Bruce Augusta, by Greengill Victor (imp.), dam by the Duthie-bred Princely Archer, by Scottish Archer, is forward in calf to Bud's Emblem, by Old Lancaster (imp.). Lancaster Pet is another of the good thick sort, by Old Lancaster (imp.). She has been a member of our young show herd this season. Mysie Lily, another daughter of Imp. Old Lancaster, is a Cruickshank Mysie, and is full sister to Mysie Lady, the junior yearling heifer we exhibited this fall. Cecilia Miss, a Campbell Cecilia, is another daughter of Imp. Old Lancaster, dam Cecilia Ray, by Scottish Knight (imp.) =36104=. This is a very thick calf. Verbena Victor is a roan son of Imp. Old Lancaster,

dam Verbena 28rd, by Nonpareil Duke, a son of (imp.) King James. Verbena Victor is a very thick, mellow-handling rich roan calf, and is one of the last sons of Imp. Old Lancaster. He should prove a valuable bull to the man who secures him. All told, we consider this one of our most valuable contributions to any sale."

BOOK REVIEW.

"Modern Sheep, Breeds and Management," by "Shepherd Boy," author of "Fitting Sheep for Show-ring and Market, etc.," has recently been issued by the American Sheep Breeder Co. It is a creditable publication of 338 pages, well printed and bound, and choke-full of useful information to sheep breeders and shepherds, being practical and reliable in the highest degree, and profusely illustrated with engravings of typical animals of all the modern British breeds of sheep, as well as some foreign varieties. The history of the origin and evolution of the various breeds is unbiased and interesting. The author writes from practical experiences, and treats of general management, fitting for show, shearing, dipping, trimming, docking, castrating, raising hothouse or early spring lambs, pastures, forage crops, etc., diseases, their cause, symptoms and treatment, and many other points of practical interest to sheep owners. The price is \$1.50, postpaid, and may be ordered through this office. Every sheep breeder or owner should have the book.

THE MODERN SCHOOL GIRL.

Make haste to school, my little child,
Or else you will be late;
Your books are all aseptic now,
And here's your sterile slate;
Your pencil has been boiled an hour—
'Tis germless now, I hope;
And don't forget to wash your desk
With this carbolic soap.

And lest about the schoolroom floor
Some unseen microbes lurk,
Just sprinkle formalin around
Before you set to work.

You'd better put, for safety's sake,
Bichloride in the ink;
And water that has not been boiled
You must not dare to drink.

Of course, when recess comes around,
Some food you'll want to munch;
So in this disinfected box
Is predigested lunch.

And since 'tis said that in a kiss
Bacteria may dwell,
I may not give you, as I'd like,
A mother's fond farewell.

Make haste to school, my little child,
And leave my tender care;
And may you still be safely kept
From microbes in the air.

The Great Adventure.

How I have loved all life! The stars
and the open spaces,
Forest and field and river, canyon and
mountain-peak;
The clamoring, crowded city, the tide of
the battling faces,
The War of the World, the triumph of
strength and the cry of the weak!

Life with its thrilling wonder—each wine-
glass full of adventure,
Love at the next street's turning, an
engine-room red with romance;
All of it beautiful, potent beyond our
poor praise or blind censure,
And never a half step backward, but
ever a stride in Advance.

So if the liars proved me their truth: I
would say, "What matter?
It is enough to have lived here—even
this breathing space!"

Death is the last forgetting?—Bah! I am
sick of your chatter!
Just to have loved life wholly was to
have seen God's face."

—Reginald Wright Kauffman.