

reasonable to assume that in addition to his own high quality as a performer, he will prove a brilliant success at the stud. As a two-year-old he won five races, carrying from 124 to 135 pounds. He is a horse of superb style and faultless conformation, and in the opinion of Major Daingerfield, of Lexington, he is one of the grandest thoroughbreds he ever looked upon.

The herd of Jersey cattle on the farm, though not a large one, represents the choicest prize-winning blood of this popular breed of cattle; while the Lord Rosebery strain of Yorkshire pigs are said to be the choicest specimens in this country. Buyers from Tennessee, Ohio, Illinois and many other States, have enriched their home stock with this popular strain. In fact, the demand, both at home and abroad, taxes the capacity of the farm to supply.

Mr. Robert Davies, the owner of this splendid estate, is a central figure in the business life of Toronto. He is owner of one of the greatest brick manufacturing plants in the world, also proprietor of a large paper mill and the owner of two other extensive manufacturing concerns in the city. One would naturally suppose that every moment of his time was occupied and his mind engrossed with business cares and anxieties. Such guessing, however, would be wide of the mark. Wherever you meet him, he impresses you as a man who has nothing to worry him. A smiling face and a cheery voice are two of his chief characteristics and he never shows to better advantage than when, as Squire of Thorncliffe, he welcomes his guests, either at the old farm-house in the valley or at his splendid mansion at Todmorden. Many a noted gathering at both places could be recorded every year. Turfmen and horsemen from all over the continent have visited Thorncliffe, and one and all carry away with them pleasant recollections of the beautiful estate and its popular owner.