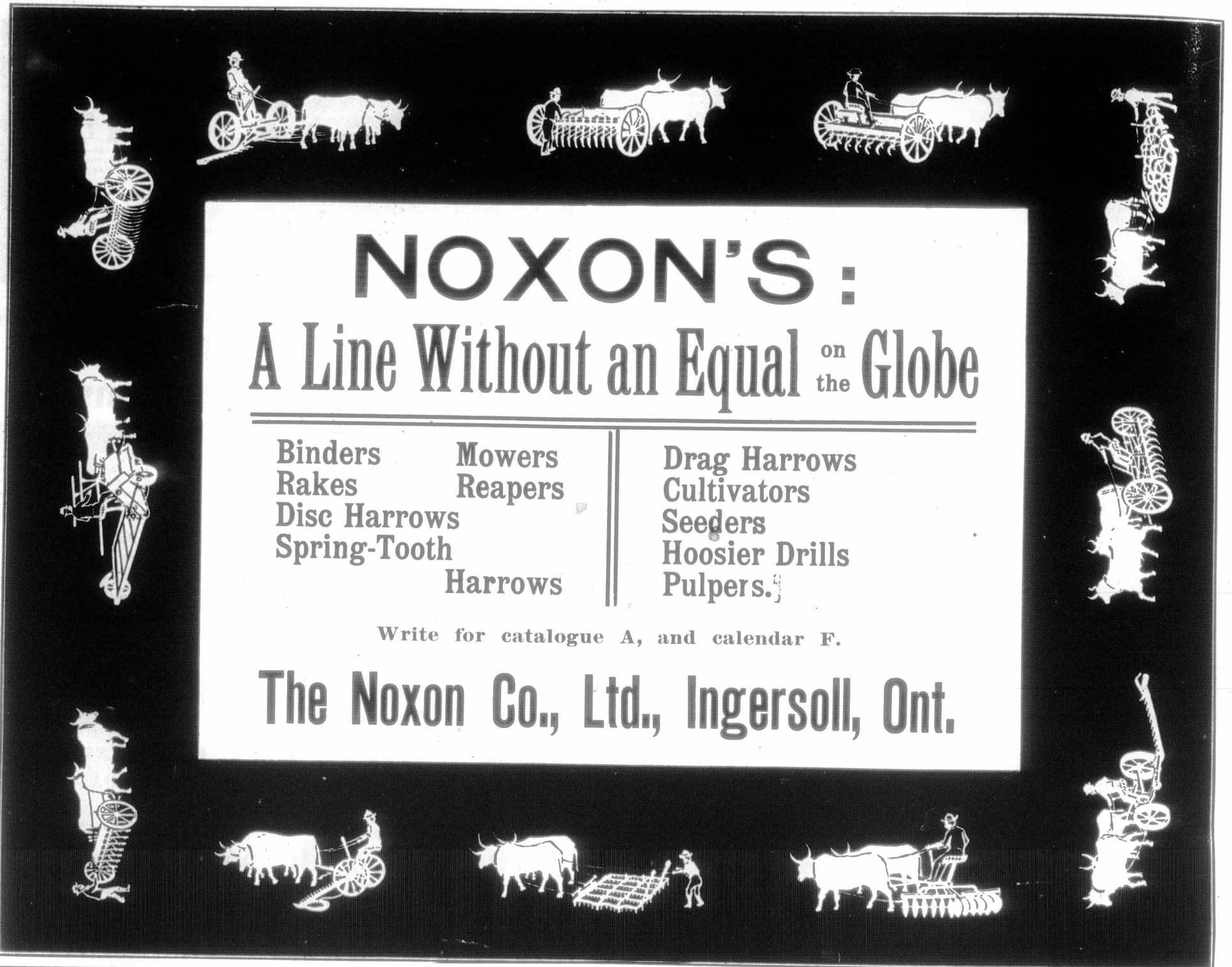




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GOSSIP.

THE NICHOLSON-TAYLOR SHORTHORN SALE A SUCCESS.

The auction sale, on March 20th, of drafts from the Shorthorn herds of R. & S. Nicholson, Sylvan, and W. H. Taylor, M. P. P., Parkhill, Ont., notwithstanding a wet day, was a grand success, a large attendance of buyers being present from many sections of the Dominion and the United States. Capt. T. E. Robson, M. P. P., as auctioneer, did splendid work in that capacity, and won golden opinions by his tact and courtesy. The bidding was brisk from start to finish, and the prices should be satisfactory, as we believe they were, to the sellers, while buyers felt that they had secured good value for their money. Mr. James O'Hara, Lanesfield, Minnesota, was the largest buyer, and Mr. S. G. Little, a Toronto merchant who has established a stock farm at Hagerman, in East York, was one of the principal buyers, taking three of the highest-priced animals, among them the excellent roan yearling bull, Bobs, by Royal Standard, and of the Kinellar Mina family, at \$200. Messrs. Nicholson, in a note to this office, write: "It is but justice to say that it was through the medium and influence of the FARMER'S ADVOCATE that three-fourths of the buyers were brought to the sale, as was learned by personal enquiry, fully that proportion stating that they had seen the advertisement in the Advocate." We give below a list of the sales, with buyers and prices:

Females.	
Vacuna 30th, 6 years; S. G. Little, Toronto.	\$165
Vacuna 52nd, 2 years; Jas. O'Hara, Lanesfield, Minn.	175
Queen Alexandria, 2 years; F. H. Noale, Lucan.	80
Vacuna 46th, 3 years; Jas. O'Hara.	160
Vacuna 42nd, 3 years; Alex. Love, Eagle.	125
Leonore of Sylvan 20th, 2 years; Alex. Love.	190
Leonore of Sylvan 21st; J. E. Perkins, Petrolia.	120
Wilhelmina, 5 years; Geo. Bentley, Granton.	130
Loyal Standard, 1 year; Thos. Steadman, Wyoming.	105
Vacuna 35th, 5 years; Jas. McMahan, Wyoming.	155
Vacuna 31st, 6 years; Peter Mitchell, Coldstream.	80
Princess Venus, 2 years; Jas. O'Hara.	85
Vacuna 55th, 2 years; Jas. O'Hara.	145
Wilhelmina 2nd, 2 years; Jas. Campbell, St. Thomas.	155
Warrior's Rose 2nd, 1 year; Harry Siddell, Denfield.	75
Parkhill Duchess 2nd, 1 year; Jas. O'Hara.	70
Vacuna 54th, 2 years; Jas. O'Hara.	110
Maid of Sylvan 26th, 1 year; Capt. T. E. Robson, Iderton.	75
Vacuna 56th, 1 year; S. G. Little.	170

Bulls.

Bobs, 1 year; S. G. Little.	\$200
Royal Arthur, 1 year; Alex. Love.	155
Guardman's Conqueror, 11 months; F. H. Neal.	70
Royal Roberts, 1 year; Ferguson Bros., St. Thomas.	100
Guardman's King, 1 year; R. Haskett, Parkhill.	90
Crown Jewel 28th, white, 1 year; Peter Mitchell.	205
Gen. Tung Siang, 10 months; Richard Laird, Thedford.	90
Standard's Heir, 1 year; Wm. Wilson, Brampton.	135
Royal John, 1 year; John McLeod, Parkhill.	85

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Our attention has been called to what is acknowledged to have been an unnecessary criticism, in our report of the stock sale at Guelph last month, of the highest-priced Shorthorn female sold, which was a handsome heifer of excellent quality, and possessed of many good points and as few faults as the majority of the best in any herd, and was brought out in capital condition, in pleasing contrast to most of the stuff offered, and creditable to her breeder, who, we are informed, has succeeded, by good breeding and feeding, in building up one of the best small herds in the Province.

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