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also some of the best Yorkshire swine in Manitoba.

Some splendid Clydesdales are to be found here. A number of excellent Clydesdale stallions and mares have been imported from Scotland, and a high class of young stock is being raised by the breeders. The district furnished many of the prize winners at both Winnipeg and Brandon fairs during the last few years, some of them winning the highest honors for Canadian-bred stallions and mares. Some good colts, sired by the celebrated stallions, Woodend Gartly (10663) and Show King (12357), are owned in the district, and quite a few prizewinners have been sold at good prices. The stock left by both these horses is highly valued by the most successful breeders.

Among the oldest and most successful breeders and exhibitors are McKirdy Bros., of Mount Pleasant Stock Farm, and James Burnett, of Napinka, who have, besides breeding some good young Clydesdales, imported some fine young mares and stallions during the past three years. These breeders had an interest in the great breeding stallions, Woodend Gartly and Show King, both stallions leaving many good colts. At his stable in Napinka, Jas. Burnett keeps a few fine animals, some of them first prize winners at the leading shows.

McKirdy Bros. keep some choice Clydesdales and also some good Short-horns on their farm about one and a

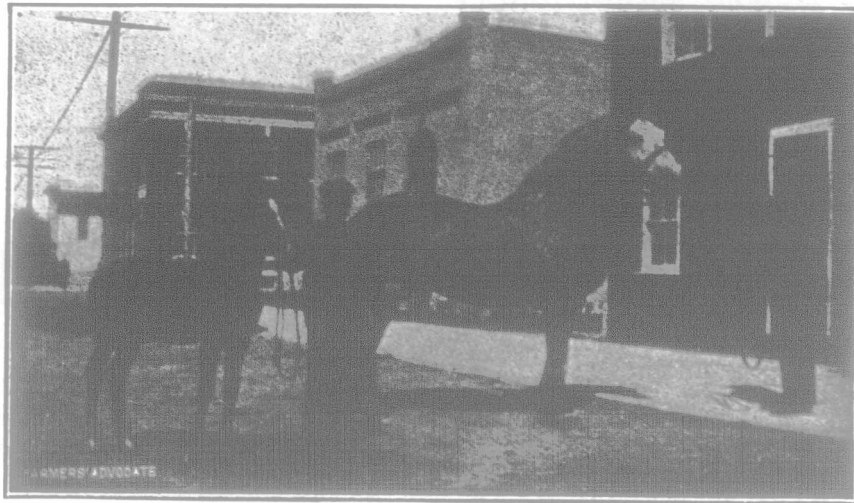
horns, and also quite a large flock of Shropshire sheep. There are some other very successful breeders of Clydesdales and Shorthorns within easy reach of the town, making it convenient for anyone wishing to look the stock over to do so without unnecessary delay or expense.

PROLIFICACY OF THE ANGUS

James Browne, of Browne Bros., the Aberdeen-Angus breeders, writes us as follows:

"As a breeder of Angus cattle I would like, through your columns, to point out how prolific the breed is. To take one instance among many: We have a cow of the Lucy of Pottlethen family, which on March 2, 1908, gave birth to a heifer calf. On January 19, 1909, she had a bull calf. On December 13, 1909, she calved a heifer calf. On November 3, 1910, she calved a bull calf. Her heifer calf, born on March 2, 1908, calved a heifer calf November 28, 1909. On November 2, 1910, she calved a bull calf. So that in the time from the birth of the first calf, March 2, 1909, until the last date, November 3, 1910, a period of 34 months, the herd has increased six head through one cow. This productive property of the breed is often overlooked by people who are forming herds for the production of beef.

"As to breeding yearling heifers. After considerable experience I cannot say that there is any bad result, if the



CHOICE HORSES ARE FOUND AROUND NEEPAWA

In the illustration appears the Percheron stallion Bel-Oiseau, owned by the Neepawa Syndicate. He has been in the district for eight years and leaves fine stock, three of his get winning each year for three years. He weighs about a ton. The foal is sired by Jupe Audubon, dam by Oliver Wilks.

half miles northwest of the town. During the past few years the Clydesdales bred here have won many of the best prizes at Brandon and Winnipeg exhibitions, and although some good young stallions have been sold at good prices, there are still some promising young stock, got by the noted Clydesdale, Show King, that look good enough for future prize winners. This firm has also some particularly good imported stallions and mares—fine quality animals with the best of Clydesdale breeding.

In the level, fertile and good farming district south of the town are situated some fine farms owned by some of the leading stock breeders. Among the best known are McDonald Bros., with Shorthorns and Clydesdales. A. D. McDonald, of Sunnyside, Stock Farm, besides raising good Shorthorns, being well known as a breeder of a fine type of Yorkshire swine. Baskier Bros., with some good Clydesdales; Gus Wight, with Clydesdales, and W. N. Crowell, with Shorthorns and Berkshire swine, are also in this district.

To the north and west of the town are situated the farms of some of the most successful stockmen. McKirdy Bros., above mentioned, A. A. Titus and W. F. Newcomb have fine grain and stock farms situated along the banks of the Souris river. These places are ideal stock farms, the higher land, rich in lime, being good wheat land, and the rich, black soil of the bottom lands of the Souris river Valley being well adapted for both grain and stock-raising, some of the best yields of wheat and oats this year having been grown on these lands. A. A. Titus has a small stock of Shorthorns and Clydesdales and also a few Shropshire sheep. W. F. Newcomb has a few good Clydesdales and Short-

heifer is a well grown one and has been a milking calf, as all ours are, and is also fed grain regularly during winter and kept in the stable. In this particular case, the heifer born March 2, 1908, will be a larger cow than her mother, and her calf born November 28, 1909, is larger than her sister, born December 13, 1909. So that as long as care is taken and plenty of food given, breeding young has not with us reduced the size of the cows.

"When we consider the high price of beef last spring and the hopeful outlook for the future of our beef trade, and the many qualities possessed by the Angus breed of cattle to meet the demands of that trade it is surprising that there should not be more breeders of 'Doddies' in the West than there are."

BOUSFIELD'S CLYDES AND SHORT-HORNS

J. Bousfield, of Orchard Farm, Macgregor, reports a good season in selling Shorthorns, fifteen young bulls having been shipped to points in the three Western provinces, and nearly as many heifers. He also sold the stallion, Clydesdale Bob.

A number of important additions have been made to the stud and herd. "Alexander's Heir," a most successful sire and prize winner both in Scotland and Ontario, was secured direct from the Haldimond Clydesdale Association of Walpole township, Ont., where he has sired 100 colts a year for the past few years, including many noted prize winners. The old horse is gamey as ever and did a big season at Macgregor and Portage Plains. He weighs 2,140 lbs. "Macknight," a handsome four-year-old, bred in North Dakota, and "Sir Walter Westcott," a big two-year-old, are for sale. The latter will make