

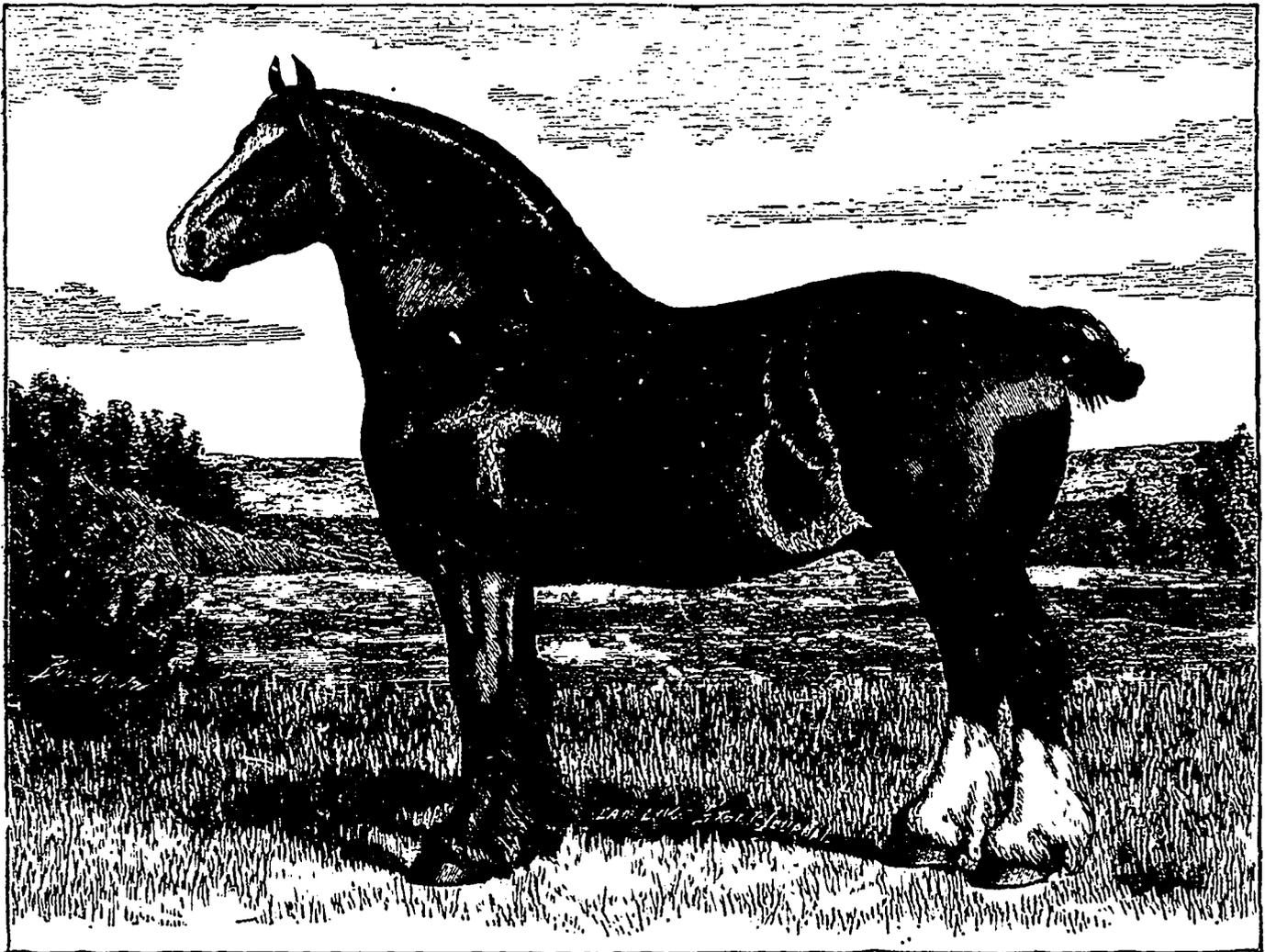
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THE CLYDESDALE STALLION PRINCE OF AIRS (4641) [530]

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## Prince of Airs (4641) [530].

This very beautiful Clydesdale stallion was imported by the Messrs. John Fothergill & Son in the summer of 1887, and is one of the two Clyde stock horses kept by this firm at Balsam Lodge. He was foaled May 4, 1885, and bred by Mr. R. Webster, Airs, New Galloway, Scotland. In color he is a dark bay, and is by the sire Good Hope (2146). His dam Maggie of Airs (3092) is by Lorne (499), by Large Jock (444). His g. sire is the famous old Darnley (222), a horse that has probably left more good stock and won more prizes than any other horse ever owned in Scotland, unless it be Macgregor 1487 and Prince of Wales (673).

Prince of Airs is a very massive horse, on somewhat shorter limbs than those represented in the sketch. He has a nice clean-cut head, wide between the eyes, and nostrils well expanded. His neck is rightly set on a pair of powerful shoulders, his arm is strong, and his limbs sufficiently curved, with a large amount of soft, pliable hair. His barrel is round, back medium and quarter good. He has proved himself a first-class stock horse in the old country. In 1886 he won first prize and £100 premium for Kirkcudbright, first at Kilmarnock and third at the High-

land Agricultural Society's show held at Dumfries. In 1887 he won the £100 premium for Locherbie, and came third at the Royal Agricultural Society's show held at Newcastle. Last autumn he was first at the Great Central, Hamilton, and at several other shows. He is certainly one of the best horses ever brought into the section of country where he is owned, and will no doubt prove of much service to that locality.

An imported English cob stallion is also kept at Balsam Lodge, where he has been one season in service with the most satisfactory results.

Progression is the order of the day at Balsam Lodge. Here it was that the third prize went in the sweepstakes prize farm competition of 1887, and the gold medal in the group competition of 1888 also came to Balsam Lodge. For many years the sweepstakes Shorthorn bull of Ontario was owned here, and now, one of the best Clyde stallions in the Province.

## The Rising Tide.

Farmers are at last making an effort to look after themselves. They are beginning to conclude that they have been long enough playing the part of Esau, the strong ass couching down between burdens, and give evidence of the conviction that they should make an effort to rise. The Institutes are extending,

and the work they are taking up is one of great magnitude. At the meeting of the Central Farmers' Institute recently held in Toronto, such questions as the securing of a building in that city to accommodate the farmers at their winter exhibitions and various annual meetings, the amending of the statute labor law, the conducting of the Institutes, and the experiments that might with most profit be conducted at the Experimental Farm, were ably discussed, but the findings cannot be given until our next issue.

The number of the institutes at the present time is fifty-nine, but several electoral districts are yet without one. These are Addington, Algoma East, Algoma West, Carleton, Cornwall and Stormont, Essex North, Frontenac, Hastings West, East and North, Lambton West, Middlesex West, Monk, Muskoka, Parry Sound, Perth North, Perth South, Prescott, Renfrew South, Russell, Simcoe Centre, Waterloo North, Welland, Wellington North and West York.

The other fifty-nine Institutes are waiting for these districts to organize. They want them to come up and help them in the battle against the mighty. The farmers' end of the double tree of equal chances is so far back that it will take a strong team from each electoral district to pull it even. When Ontario has an Institute in each electoral district, then we shall look for co-organization in other counties.