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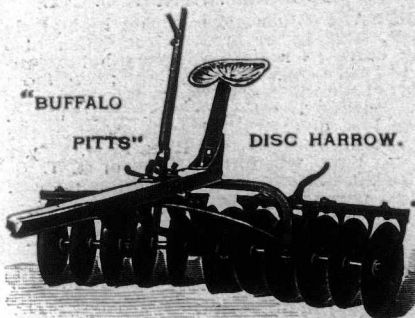
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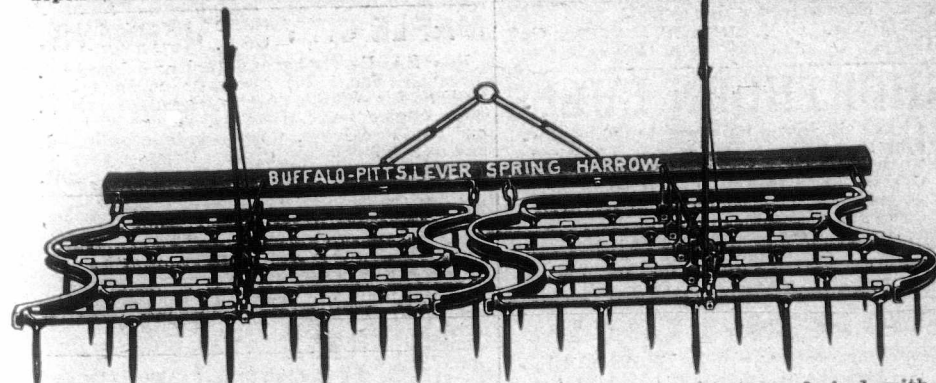
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GOSSIP.

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MR. HOBSON'S SHORTHORNS.

The announcement of the Dispersion Sale of the fine herd of Shorthorns of Mr. John I. Hobson, on the 6th of April, at the farm at Mosborough Station, on the Grand Trunk Railway, five miles west of Guelph, is one in which a very large circle of farmers and stockmen throughout the Dominion and the United States will be deeply interested. Mr. Hobson has been an ardent and enthusiastic admirer of this his favorite breed of cattle, and has, by careful selection and breeding, succeeded in building up one of the most useful herds in the country. He has not been a blind follower of any cast-iron formula of line breeding, and has not pinned his faith to paper pedigrees, his motto having been individual merit first, and a good sound pedigree always. These he has succeeded in combining in a high degree, and the cattle he will place under the hammer on the 6th of April at this closing out sale are such as we feel sure will meet the expectations of intending purchasers and visitors. The outlook for the trade in good cattle is at present decidedly encouraging. Export steers are, we are told, been sold in the last month in the neighborhood of Guelph at \$5.12 1/2 per 100 pounds for May delivery, and very many more would have been taken at the price if they were available. The demand for young bulls has been very active for the Western trade as well as from Ontario farmers, several carloads having recently been taken to the Northwest country. The date of the sale is favorable to buyers, as the winter will be well over and the place is exceptionally convenient, the station being on the farm and within one minute's walk from the buildings. The proprietor is well known as a genial, generous and honorable man. The farm is sold. Mr. Hobson is retiring from business and everything offered will be sold without reserve, and will be fairly represented. It is safe to say it will be a clean sale. A recent visit to Mosborough and inspection of the cattle by one of our staff has left the impression that the prevailing ideas in the upbuilding of the herd has been that of usefulness, a judicious combining of size with smoothness, and good feeding and milking qualities. A noticeable feature in the herd is the absence of old or worn out cows, all are fresh looking and the majority are on the sunny side of the prime of life as to age. Uniformity of type, character and condition is another striking feature. All are healthy, and, while not by any means over done, are yet in fine condition, and there are no barren cows or doubtful breeders. Probably the oldest cow in the herd is the maternally imported Scotch-bred Cleopatra, coming ten, in March, bred at Kinellar and sired by a grand old Cruickshank bull, Greyhound. She is well preserved, a fine general purpose cow, combining beef and milking propensities, having a strong, straight back and long level quarters, with a shapely and well-balanced udder. She has two daughters to show. Cleopatra 2nd and 3rd, four and five years old, respectively, which do her credit; the former by imported Reporter, the other by The Premier 1438, a son of imported Musketeer and of Village Gem of one of the best Cruickshank families. Cleopatra 3rd ranks as one of the best individual cows in the combination, and we have no doubt will be a prime favorite on the day of the sale, being long and level, bredy looking, with a fine coat of mossy hair and thick flesh. Aggie Ury, a charming five-year-old cow of Scotch breeding, by Gen. Booth, imported, is a fine representative of one of the best families in the late Kinellar herd; she is true to the type of north country cattle, and has a very promising and two-year-old daughter, Aggie Ury 2nd, by imported Golden Crown (6408), which should prove an attractive number. Perhaps one of the most popular cows in the herd will be the red four-year-old Lovely Gem, by imported Duke of Lavender (51125), a granddaughter of the fine old imported Cruickshank cow Lovely 19th, one of the most useful cows that ever came to Canada; she lived and bred till she was in her eighteenth year. There is a very useful representative of the famous Duchesses of Gloster family in the rich roan four-year-old daughter of imported Duke of Lavender, "Duchess of Gloster A," out of the twentieth of that name, by imported Lord Abbot (61339). This is considered one of the most desirable of Cruickshank families, and has produced many notable animals in Shorthorn history. A fine show cow and a regular breeder is the large red five-year-old Starlight, by 20th Duke of Sylvan by imported Warrior, tracing to imported Lady Florence by Julius Caesar, and founded on one of the best Scotch families. She is a massive cow with straight lines, long level quarters and fine quality, and has a good show of prize tickets to her credit. White Socks, a red and white four-year-old, due to calve before the sale, a daughter of the Premier and of Lady's Pride, who was a granddaughter of imported Lady Florence by Julius Caesar, is a show cow in any company, and is one of the most interesting numbers in the catalogue. Ada 2nd, by imported Reporter out of Ada by imported Premier Earl, is a large and thickly-fleshed cow with four top crosses of imported bulls on a sound foundation stock, and has proved a specially good breeder. Queen and Muriel are a pair of more young of fine pattern; lowest level are the twin sisters Cherry Bloom 13th and 14th, by the Premier, a grand-on of the well known sweepstake bull imported Vice Consul, bred by Mr. Cruickshank. Space will not admit of detailed reference to each of the score or more young cows in the catalogue, nor of the dozen and one charming two-year-old heifers carrying their first calves and coming into profit before they have to be paid for; suffice it to say they are the right sort, uniform in type, low set, blocky, thick fleshed and covered with mossy coats of hair. They give fair promise of living long and useful lives. A half-dozen yearling heifers following these are of similar character, and the dozen handsome and thrifty calves, sons and daughters of the fine old sweepstakes bull, War Eagle, are as promising a lot as one often sees together. The list of bulls includes War Eagle 13015, in his seven-year-old form, and he is well preserved for a bull that was fed and fitted for the shows for several years, where he made his mark high up on the honor roll, winning in first-class company the highest prizes offered at the Toronto Industrial and other leading shows, including the sweepstakes at Toronto, a son of imported Warfare and a grandson of imported Duke of Lavender he comes honestly by his merit, and gets it, not by accident, but by inheritance. He is true to the type of the modern ideal beef-producing Shorthorn; short legged, deep ribbed, thick fleshed, and full of quality. Associated with War Eagle as a stock bull is Royal Standard 23381, a son of British Flag of the well known and highly esteemed Crimmon Flower family, and a grandson of the famous old Barmpton Hero, proprietor of a long list of sweepstake winners from the provincial fairs to the Columbian Exposition. Royal Standard is a living illustration of the truth of the axioms "blood will tell" and "like begets like, or the likeness of an ancestor." Shorthorn connoisseurs will recognize in him a striking likeness to the sire of Barmpton Hero, imported Royal Barmpton, one of the first and grandest of the Cruickshank bulls brought to Canada. The well sprung ribs, thickly covered back, full twist, wide chest, stylish carriage, and noble crest, are all reminders of his royal ancestor, whose excellencies have been handed down to the third and fourth generation. There are a few more useful young bulls such as the farmers ought to use to improve their stock and their profits.

NOTICES.

The illustrated advertisement in this issue of John Lewis Childs' new Multiflora Roses should interest many floriculturists.

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The Improved Monitor Incubator, advertised in this issue, has been awarded many first premiums at the great American fairs. It is a well constructed and reliable machine, the heat regulator being accurate and reliable. The advertisement in this issue clipped out and sent to the manufacturer, A. F. Williams, Bristol, Conn., will bring in return a large book of valuable information for poultry raisers.

The longer land is in cultivation the more it becomes consolidated under the ordinary system of farming, and in order to get good crops, as of old, not only has fertility to be applied, but the soil must be worked more than ever, not with the plow by turning it over and over, but by implements which simply stir the soil. There can hardly be found a good farmer who does not agree with this teaching. To farm profitably, then, one must have proper implements. The disc harrow, which turns the soil outwards, is long past the experimental stage; in fact, most good farmers do not think of farming without one. The spring tooth harrow, when it can be readily adjusted as to depth, is also a necessary implement in successful tillage, and the straight toothed harrow is absolutely essential, and when this can be secured having levers by which the teeth can be slanted at any desired angle surely it is a great improvement on the old sort. The latest improvements in all these implements are the best. The Norton Bros. Manufacturing Co., of Ingersoll, Ont., specialize in these lines as is shown in their advertisement in this issue.

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