

GOSSIP.

A lady in Glasgow having instructed her Irish servant to kill a fowl for dinner, was horrified to see it moving after the tragedy was supposed to have been accomplished, and remonstrated with him for not putting it out of its misery more quickly; to which Pat, who was possessed of a large share of native wit, promptly replied: "I honestly assure you, madam, the cratur is quite dead, but it is not yet aware of the fact."

The eminent lawyer had stepped from the train and was making his way to an hotel when he was approached by a porter. "I can see you're a commercial traveller," said the latter, with a touch of his cap. "Show me where your luggage is and I'll carry it to the hotel for you." The lawyer smiled in a quizzical way. "I am a traveller," he said, "but I deal in brains." The porter sniffed suggestively. "First time ever I see a traveller as didn't carry no samples!" he said.

Mr. Robert Ness, Howick, Que., who has been in Scotland selecting Clydesdales for importation, sailed by the Allan Line from Glasgow the last week in July with three colts and three fillies for himself, purchased from Messrs. A. & W. Montgomery, Netherhall and Banks, Kirkcudbright. One of the fillies is a twoyear-old, by the celebrated Prince Sturdy (10112), which, in the late Mr. Sinclair Scott's hands, won several district premiums, and another is a yearling, by the great prizewinning horse, Pride of Blacon (10837), winner of several first prizes at the Highland and Agricultural Society's Shows, including first in the aged class at Peebles in 1906. A third is a yearling, by Netherlea (12260), out of a mare by Handsome Robin (10201). Among the stallions is the very well-bred horse, Gartley Favourite, got by the unbeaten and champion Highland and Agricultural Society horse, Everlasting (11331), while his dam was one of Mrs. Mennie's good breeding mares, and got by the famous Sir Everard (5353), sire of Baron's Pride, etc. The other two stallions are respectively a two-year-old and a yearling, got by the Highland and Agricultural Society champion horse, Benedict (10315), one of the most noted sons of Baron's Pride. The dam of the twoyear-old was got by Royal Favourite, and the dam of the yearling by Prince of Clay (10407), the Glasgow and Dumfries premium horse in his time. This is a high-class shipment of sound, wellbred Clydesdales. They are likely to do well in Quebec, where Mr. Ness has his own clientele, who believe in him thoroughly.-Scottish Farmer.

is expected this year to eclipse all its given in addition to an appropriate prize previous Exhibitions. A very large to the winning horse. Entries close amount of money has been expended on Sept 8th, and should be addressed to the grounds and buildings, thereby giv-

new features inserted. For cattle ex-

hibitors the milking contest will be in-

teresting, for which good prizes have

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The Norfolk County Fair, held in the town of Simcoe, Ont., known as the model county fair, the dates for which were omitted in the list in last week's issue, are fixed for October 13th to 15th.

Mr. A. W. Smith, Maple Lodge, Ont. writes: "I have a very choice lot of Leicester ram lambs and shearling rams to offer for sale this season, mostly sired by imported Winchester, and the grand champion ram, Sanford, by Stanley. Will have a beautiful lot of young ewes for sale also. The demand for Leicesters seems to increase with each year, even though the number of sheep in the Dominion decreases. They are the kind that survive.

It is related of Stephenson, the inventor of the locomotive, that he had but few devoted friends who had faith in him. The rest scouted the idea of any mechanical device that could take the place of the bone and sinew of the horse. One day in a confidential conversation with his backers, Stephenson's enthusiasm got the best of him, and, in foretelling the future of the locomotive, he is reported to have said to his friends that "the day would come when locomotives would travel over the rails with a speed as great as thirty miles per hour." This statement was looked upon as so entirely chimerical that he promptly lost a few more friends, and the remainder, assuring him of their loyalty, tried to persuade him to be reasonable, and not to indulge in wild flights of fancy.

Stock-breeders who know Mr. James Gibb, of Brooksdale, Ont., one of the most successful breeders of Shorthorn cattle in the Province, will regret to learn that he is critically ill from cancer of the stomach, and that little, if any hope, is entertained of his recovery. Mr. Gibb stands high in the respect and esteem of his brother breeders, not only for his skill and success as a breeder, but also for his amiable disposition, upright dealing and integrity of character, and he will have the sincere sympathy of a host of friends in his trying afflic-

The St. Thomas Horse Show Association have issued a very handsome and attractive prize list, with rules and regulations governing their annual horse show, the dates for this year's show being Sept. 22nd and 23rd. Cash prizes are offered for mares and colts in the breeding sections, in all classes, heavy and light, also for teams of heavy draft and of carriage and roadster horses, and for saddle horses, jumpers and ponies. The Western Fair of London, Ontario, In stallion classes four rosettes are Mr. W. Wallace Bruce, Assistant Secre-

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been offered. Manufacturers will be busy, and machinery will be running, which is always interesting. The Old Curiosity Shop, Carpet Weaving, The Bakery, and many other interesting exhibits will be seen. The programme of attractions for this year's Exhibition is one that will furnish instruction and amusement for everybody. Kemp's Wild West Show and Hippodrome performance is the largest company of people ever presented to Western Fair visitors-118 people, 35 Indians, Cowboy Band, 65 horses, bronchos, mules, etc. Samfoa, "King of the Air"; the Bickett Family; White & Lemart; Kronoman Bros., the funny people; Panatiscu Sisters, Deike Sisters, and many others. Fireworks each evening, concluding with the "Railway Disaster" and the "Destruction of Mount Pelee." Everyone should come to beautiful London for at least one day this year. Hotel accommodation is ample and at moderate rates. The dates are Sept. 11th to 19th, but the full show is from Fuesday, Sept. 15th, to Friday, 18th. To Head Your Herd Judging horses, cattle, sheep and swine commences Tuesday, Sept. 15th, at 9 a. m. For prize list, entry forms, pro-

gramme, and other information, address A. M. Hunt, Secretary, London, Ont. See railway announcements of cheap

ing increased accommodation to visitors tary, St. Thomas, Ont., who will mail and exhibitors. The prize list has been prize list and entry forms on applicavery materially added to, and several tion.

> Mr. Geo. D. Fletcher, Binkham, Ont., in ordering a change of advertisement, writes: "The Shorthorns I now have to offer are young and choice, both for quality and breeding. One of the imported bulls, a junior yearling, is a choicely-bred Sittyton Butterfly, bred by Alex. T. Gordon, Combscauseway, Aberdeenshire. His sire, Scottish Farmer (93365), by Prince of Archers, by Scottish Archer, sired the unbeaten show heifer calf of 1907, Duchess of Gordon. His dam, Beatrice 22nd, was the dam of Band Master, which won first-prize this year at the Royal, in a strong class of thirty. Lancelot (79181), sire of Beatrice 22nd, won first prize at Aberdeen Show and sale in 1900, and was sired by Proud Star, by Star of Morning (58189). The other imported bull, Mount Royal $=69852 \pm$, a senior yearling, belongs to the Maggie family, bred by Chas. Strachan, Tillyorn, Aberdeenshire. His sire, Royal Fame, had the medal from the Highland Society as best male Shorthorn at Dee and Donside Shows; second sire, Zoedone (68124), a prizewinner, was sired by the famous Star of Morning. Either of the above are good show bulls and should make valuable herdheaders. In Yorkshires, I have some good young pigs of either sex, but would make special mention of one choice boar, ready for service, which I would sell

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