If any of our readers from the Atlantic to the Pacific desire to procure some really first class stock, we do not think a better opportunity was ever presented to those desirous of improving their stock at fair prices. In this issue will be found a number of auction sale advertisements by some of our best breeders; also offered by private sale. Send for a catalogue for what class of stock you require. We feel satisfied from what we have seen of the stock offered, and of the integrity and truthfulness of the breeders, that superior stock may be purchased from them at one-quarter the cost that much of the imported stock we have seen has cost. The stock offered by our advertisers is acclimatized, and there is no danger of introducing contagious diseases, as they have never existed on any of the breeders' farms advertised in this issue that we have ever heard, nor have they procured stock from any farm where infected cattle have been known to exist. See Messrs. Dawes & Co.'s advertisement. A trip to the east would be beneficial to many of our farmers; also a trip to the west would be of advantage to many of our eastern farmers, even independent of the advantages of the introduction of the best stock from distant parts. Mr. Smith's stock in the west is sure to draw the western breeders to his sale. The Messrs. T. & western breeders to his sale. A. B. Snider's stock has in the show ring carried off the laurels years ago, and now the descendants are prepared to do battle anywhere. We doubt if a cow and bull we have seen there would have been fairly beaten at the Royal Agricultural Exhibition in England. Mr. T. C. Patteson intends to devote his farm to horse raising, and is determined to sell his Shorthorns. You never have had a better opportunity to procure pure bred, choice animals at such reasonable or fair prices, and perhaps may not again. Thirty head of pure bred Bates Shorthorns, six young horses and 17 Leicester sheep, the property of John Ireland and Wm. Templar, will be sold at

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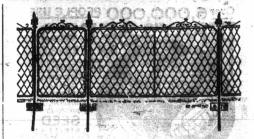
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