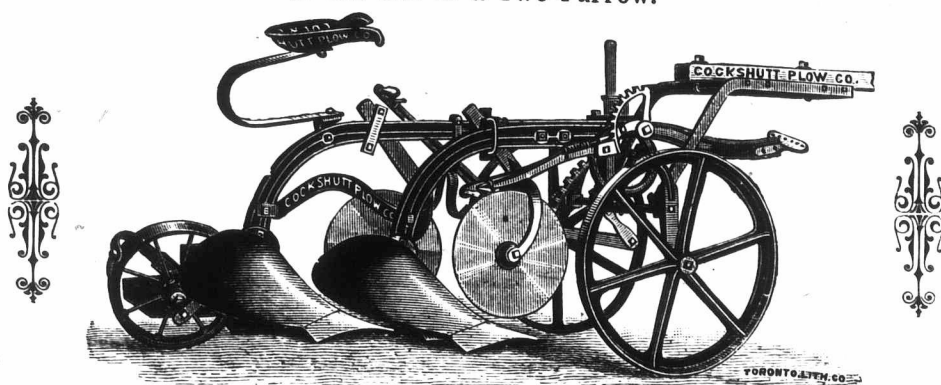


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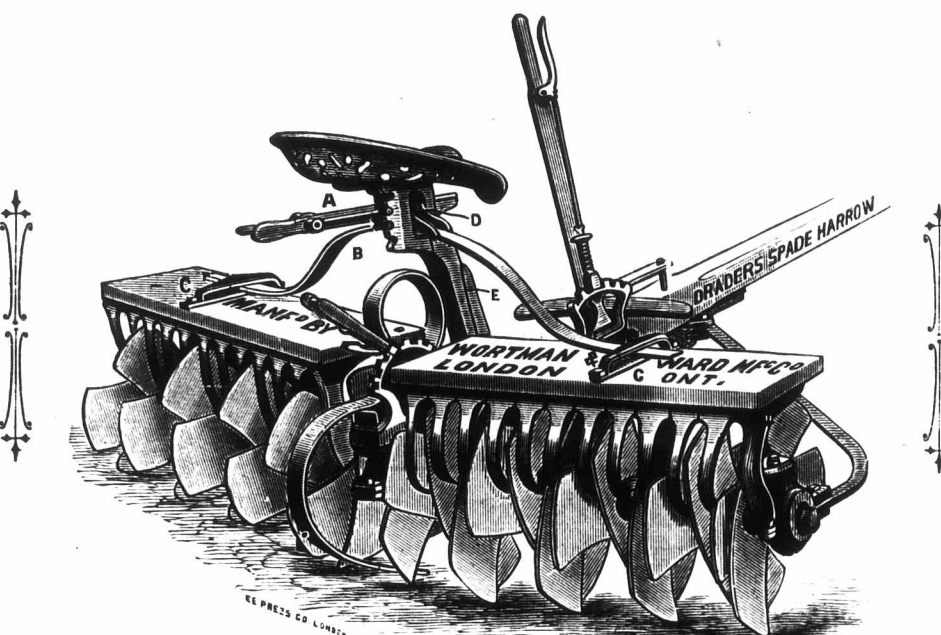


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Mr. R. Delbridge, Winchelsea, Ont., under recent date, writes:—“There appears to be quite a demand for young Berkshire boars of late. I sold three last week three days following. One to J. H. Sieffert, North Bruce. This is two boars and one sow in farrow he has purchased from me inside of a year; also one boar to William Middleton, Granton, and one boar to Geo. Gills, Russeldale. I have no more boars at present for sale, but still have a few choice young sows, from seven to eight months old, and I am expecting a choice lot of young pigs for spring trade from my prize-winning stock.”

A. and G. Rice, of Currie's Crossing, recently shipped by express to A. D. Bessner, near Ottawa, the fine Holstein bull Pieterje Price, nine months old, weighing nearly 400 lbs. This was one of the youngsters exhibited at the Fair last fall by Messrs. Rice, and was so much admired, as well as a successful prize-winner. He is a descendant of the world's famous record breaker Pieterje 2nd, milk record 30,318 lbs. in one year. Messrs. Rice also report the sale, a short time ago, of Combination Pieterje, an improved son of the great Pieterje strain. The purchaser in this case was Mr. T. C. Yarrington, Springfield.

Mr. Arthur Johnston, of Greenwood, in writing this office says:—“The feeling in Shorthorn circles is much more cheerful than at any time during the past four years. Confidence in the breed and in the trade were never firmer among the best informed breeders than at the present time. It must be confessed, however, that it is still difficult, if not impossible, to get good prices; but the cattle are wanted and eagerly sought after. Bulls are still greatly enquired for from all parts of the Dominion, not only by owners of herds, but by people who never before owned a Shorthorn, as well as by old Shorthorn men who were so foolish as to let themselves be carried away for a time by booms of the other breeds.”

GOLDDUST TROTTER HORSES, OWNED BY MR. L. L. DORSEY, MIDDLETOWN, KENTUCKY, U. S.

Last month we called attention to the advertisement of Gold-dust Morgan horses, owned by Mr. L. L. Dorsey, Middletown, Ky., U. S., which appears again this month. At the head of this stud Mr. Dorsey has the well-known and grandly bred stallion Zileadi Gold-dust 4400 (four-year-old trial 2.25), by Gold-dust 150, dam Rosalind by Imp. Scythian, second dam Sallie Russell (grandam of Maude S., 2.08 3/4, Nutwood, 2.08 3/4, etc.), by Boston. Zileadi Gold-dust is the best son of Gold-dust that founded a family of trotters and harness horses unexcelled for their speed, style, finish and docility. He is the sire of five in the 2.30 list, and also sired the dam of Rosaline Wilkes, record 2.14 3/4, and Zillet that can trot close to 2.20. All of his colts are naturally speedy, very few of them, with handling, that cannot speed a 2.40 gait. They have the best disposition, high style, great substance, and range in height from 15 3/4 to 16 hands, and in color are generally chestnut and bays. They are much larger and finer finished than the Vermont Morgans, and, therefore, more suitable for our country. Hendrick, another of Mr. Dorsey's stallions, is a chestnut, 16 hands, and weighs 1,200 pounds. He has trotted a trial mile in 2.30 3/4, but has been used principally in the stud and show ring, which prevented him being fully trained, or he would have taken a record better than 2.30. He has been showed at the principal Kentucky fairs, and won over forty first premiums. Perhaps the scarcest article in the horse market to-day is the high styled, highly finished gentleman's roadster, and we know of nothing that will come nearer filling the demand than the Gold-dusts. Mr. Dorsey sold over nine thousand dollars (\$9,000) worth of horses from his farm the second week in February, and now offers for sale over thirty head of young stallions and fillies, several of them fast trotters and more promising for speed than any he ever owned. He will take pleasure in showing his stock to visitors, and in giving full description and prices. Address him as above.