

GOSSIP.

Buy a better bull, and improve the beef or milk productive capacity of your herd. You will not get a better chance than right now.

Mr. A. C. Hallman, Breslau, Ont., writes that altogether some 30 head of Holsteins have left his herd since last fall. He has yet a nice herd of 20 head, some of the choicest still remaining, including the Toronto sweepstakes bull, Judge Akkrum De Kol 3rd, and some of his best heifers. He has also a nice lot of Tamworths; and the boars he is offering are of choice breeding and good individuals.

THE HAMILTON SHORTHORN SALE.

The catalogue is to hand of the joint sale of 62 selected Shorthorns from six standard Canadian herds, to be sold at Hamilton, Ontario, on June 28th. A glance through its pages reveals that the cattle are richly bred on up-to-date and approved lines, and if they are as good as their pedigrees, which we are assured they are, the public may look for one of the most useful lots offered at public sale in Canada in many years. The list includes 13 imported Scotch-bred females, 2 imported bulls, one bred from imported sire and dam, and one by an imported sire and having four top crosses by Scotch-bred bulls. Among these is the roan, Imp. Scotland's Fame =45225=, contributed by D. Milne & Son, calved April, 1902; sired by the Duthie-bred Golden Fame (76786), and of the Kinellar Claret tribe. This young bull has been tested as a breeder, and his calves are very promising. Another, consigned by W. C. Edwards & Co., is Fair Shot (imp. in dam), red, coming a year old in July, sired by Chance Shot, of the Cruickshank J tribe, a son of Master Archer, by Scottish Archer. This is said to be a very promising youngster, and he will soon be available for service. Mr. Rankin contributes British Prince, a dark roan, calved last October, sired by Rosicrucian of Dalmeny, bred by Lord Rosebery, a son of the Cruickshank "Village" bull, Villager, dam Imp. Sunflower 9th, bred by Mr. Reid, of Cromley Bank. Mr. Usher consigns Queenston Chief, a roan, calved Sept. 27th, 1903; sired by Imp. Derby, a Cruickshank Secret bull, bred by Mr. Jamieson, of Ellon, Aberdeenshire, and sired by Jemidar, of the excellent Inverquhomery Rosewood family. Derby is very highly spoken of as a bull of fine character and quality, and is proving an exceptionally good breeder.

Among the females offered are representatives of most of the popular Scotch families, including half a dozen of the Uppermill Roan Lady tribe, five Missies, four Minas, five Jilts, two Clarets, two Urys, two Lady Fannys, and one of each of the following: Nonpareil, Brawith Bud, Miss Ramsden, Lovely, Cecelia, Rosebud and Rose of Autumn, besides quite a number bred from imported sire and dam, and a number of members of other good families of deep-milking strains, topped by first-class Scotch-bred sires. Many of the cows, all of which are young, have calves at foot, by imported bulls, and are in calf to such good sires as Imp. Marquis of Zenda, Imp. Village Champion, Imp. Derby, Imp. Red Duke, Imp. Aberdeen Hero, Imp. Pride of Scotland, and other high-class Scotch-bred bulls. This offering will certainly afford an excellent opportunity to secure the right sort of cattle to found a herd or to improve existing herds. The date of the sale is surely favorable to buyers, and the character of the breeders is such that buyers may confidently expect fair and honorable treatment. Those interested should make early application for the catalogue to Mr. Hudson Usher, Queenston, Ont., who will gladly furnish any information required that is not given in the announcement of the sale.

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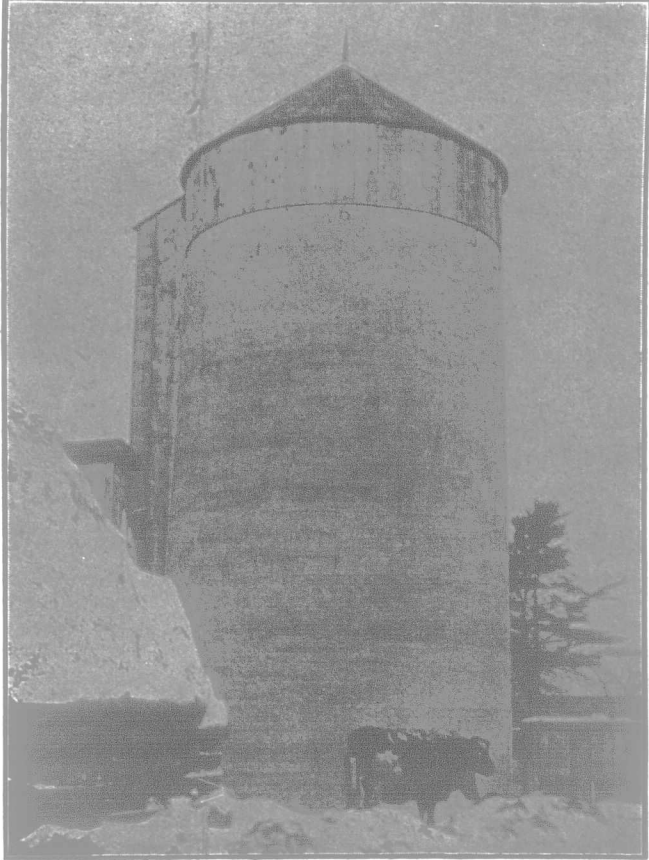
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CORSETS THAT FIT.—We wish to call the attention of our readers of the Home Department to the advertisement of the Robinson Corset Co., which appears in this issue. Your new spring dress cannot look well if worn over badly-fitting corsets. The Robinson corsets fit because they are fitted to the peculiarities of your figure. Kindly see what the company has to say in regard to the matter.

A PROFITABLE HOLIDAY.—Attention is directed to the advertisement in another column of Cecil French, Naturalist, Washington, D. C., who is anxious to secure any species of live wild bird or animal. Any person living in the game-producing districts of Canada might easily combine pleasure with profit when having a few days' hunt. Anything from a white mouse to a white elephant is wanted.

FRUIT GROWERS.—There is advertised in another column of this paper a complete list of orchard and garden hardware supplies, including the Wallace power sprayer, operated by horse-power from the wheel of the truck. This sprayer is particularly useful for large orchards, or for spraying mustard. All the goods kept by the F. Hamilton Co. are catalogued in an illustrated circular, which will be sent to parties desiring it. Address, F. Hamilton Co., Hamilton, Ont.

TRADE TOPICS.

Ex-Mayor George Roach, of Hamilton, Ont., died May 18th. He was many years ago an importer and a breeder and successful exhibitor of Berkshire swine at provincial fairs.

Mr. Wm. Aldcorn, of Dundalk, Ont., has purchased from Trumans' Pioneer Stud Farm, Bushnell, Ill., the fine, massive Shire stallion, Ivory (19720). This is a big, stylish draft horse, stands over 17 hands high, and weighs over the ton mark, is five years old, a winner at the great London (England) Shire Horse Show, and it is safe to say that there are few as good draft stallions in the Dominion to-day, and the farmers in the Dundalk district are lucky to get the services of such a horse.

Last week Trumans' Pioneer Stud Farm sold to Messrs. Neil McCallum and John Johnston, of Gladstone, Ont., the handsome four-year-old black Percheron stallion, Magar, one of the most stylish and finished horses of the breed, possessing the very best of action, and is the very kind that will get good, active high-class farm, van or dray horses. Farmers in that part of the country will do well to avail themselves of the services of this fine stallion, and these enterprising gentlemen are to be congratulated on having secured so good a horse, as they gave a special order for this horse, and had him shipped from Trumans' Pioneer Stud Farm, Bushnell, Ill., direct to their London branch, and as both Mr. McCallum and Mr. Johnston are readers of the "Farmer's Advocate" and good horse judges, it is needless to add that only something first-class would suit them.

OFFICIAL RECORDS OF HOLSTEIN-FRIESIAN COWS.

From April 30th to May 9th, 1904.

During this period 13 thirty-day records, 66 seven-day records, 2 for fourteen-days each, 1 for forty-four days, 1 for thirty-six days, and 1 for twenty-eight days, have been approved.

Of the seven-day records, 26 full-age cows averaged, age, 7 years 2 months 12 days; days from calving, 21: Milk, 457.3 lbs.; butter-fat, 16.050 lbs.; equivalent butter, 18 lbs. 11.6 ozs. Eight four-year-olds averaged, age 4 years 4 months 0 days; days from calving 14: Milk, 400.1 lbs.; butter-fat, 13.749 lbs.; equivalent butter, 16 lbs. 0.7 ozs. Thirteen three-year-olds averaged, age 3 years 5 months 25 days; days from calving 17: Milk, 365.5 lbs.; butter-fat, 12.462 lbs.; equivalent butter, 14 lbs. 8.6 ozs. Nineteen classed as two-year-olds averaged, age 2 years 4 months 8 days; days from calving 24: Milk, 294.8 lbs.; butter-fat, 10.267 lbs.; equivalent butter, 11 lbs. 15.7 ozs.

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