

Puzzles.

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1-DROP-VOYEL PUZZLE.

B-n-bl-nd th-n-bl-n-as th-t-l-s
-n-th-r-m-n-sl-p-ng b-t-n-v-r-d-d
W-l-l-r-s-m-n-j-sty-t-m-t-th-n--wn.

ETHEL McCREA.

2-NUMERICAL ENIGMA.

My 2, 12, 4, 4, 11, 7 is to occur
My 9, 3, 8, is absent
My 5, 13, 10, is to raise with a lever
My whole is what I wish each of my cousins.

ETHEL McCREA.

3-PUZZLE.

How is it that gems of ev'ry description
Again and again will be themes of fiction;
What is the solution, can no one explain
Why jewels are man's pleasure and also man's bane?

Why all thro' the battle of life some endeavor
Themselves to sustain, by hoarding forever
As if naught but wealth would procure them the best
Of all that they wanted, exclusive of zest.

For tho' gold is found in a most every clime,
Yet zest is outworn by the fleeting of time;
So as golden deeds are but sown by the good,
So grain and not thistles are sown for our food.

If from each line a word you take,
A Hindoo proverb you will make.

CLARA ROBINSON.

4-ANAGRAM.

Into the realms of the past
Old Ninety-Six has rolled;
Time, though unfinished be our task,
Does not his pinions fold.

But, spite of error's whelming wave,
And slothfulness' deep sea,
He speeds us onward to the grave
And to Eternity.

Then let us exercise more zeal
To do what is our part,
Or see our birthright from us reel,
With sorrow of the heart.

CHARLIE S. EDWARDS.

5-TRANSPPOSITION.

I waked at midnight from a dream,
Trembling and in dread;
I heard a fearful ghostly scream
That sounded from the dead.

A cry of pain, a wall of woe—
My beating heart stood still,
And down my palsied frame did run
A cold electric thrill.

Again that awful sound I heard,
But just outside my room,
In awful sweat I lay, nor stirred,
Expecting lastful doom.

My senses reeled—I died, I vow,
Or, rather, fainted flat;
To a sound my life I two, "Me—ou!"
It was our neighbor's cat.

CHAS. EDWARDS.

6-ENIGMA.

My first is fragrant and red,
My second is used to bake bread,
The lumber of my whole will make a bed.

J. S. CRERAR.

7-BEHREADING.

Behold to gaze and leave a weed.
Behold a prophet and leave ever.
Behold painful and leave a metal.
Behold renowned and leave to lift up.
Behold beautiful and leave the atmosphere.
Behold solitary and leave a number.

HATTIE MACDONALD.

Answers to December 1st Puzzles.

1-Imp-ass-able. 2-Thous and.

3-J E N A

E S O X

N O S E

A X E S

6-Hants-ants.

4-Day-light.

5-Lost Ideal.

Sea Tales.

Wanted.

Oliver Twist.

Lorna Doone.

Adam Bede.

Gold Elsie.

SOLVERS TO DECEMBER 1ST PUZZLES.

Clara Robinson, Charlie Edwards.

Send Them to Bed with a Kiss.

O mothers, so weary, discouraged,
Worn out with the cares of the day,
You often grow cross and impatient,
Complain of the noise and the play;
For the day brings so many vexations,
So many things going amiss;
But mothers, whatever may vex you,
Send the children to bed with a kiss!

The dear little feet wander often,
Perhaps from the path way of right,
The dear little hands find new mischief
To try you from morning till night.
But think of the desolate mothers
Who'd give all the world for your bliss,
And, as thanks for your infinite blessings,
Send the children to bed with a kiss!

For some day their noise will not vex you,
The silence will hurt you far more;
You will long for the sweet children voices,
For a sweet childish face at the door.
And to press a child's face to your bosom,
You'd give all the world just for this;
For the comfort 'twill bring you in sorrow,
Send the children to bed with a kiss!

-Selected.

The Ontario Veterinary Association Annual Meeting

was held in the Veterinary College, Toronto, on Dec. 22nd, 1896.

The meeting was opened with the President, Mr. H. Hopkins, V. S., of Green River, Ont., in the chair. Mr. Hopkins indicated the benefits to be derived, both individually and collectively, by attendance at these annual gatherings, and for all to take part in the discussions, and he hoped to see still greater interest taken in them in the future by all members of the profession in Ontario.

The Secretary-Treasurer's and Auditors' reports were received and adopted.

A motion was carried, that the initiation fee be reduced to \$3 and the annual dues to \$1.

The following new members were duly proposed and accepted: Mr. J. Mayhew, V. S., of Cookstown, Ont.; Mr. S. Lawson, V. S., of Acton, Ont.; Mr. Lawson, V. S., of Dundas, Ont.; Mr. R. F. Golden, V. S., of Windsor, Ont.; Mr. J. S. Gregg, V. S., of Little Britain, Ont.; Mr. J. H. Reed, V. S., of Guelph, Ont.; and Mr. A. R. Metcalf, V. S., of Vankleek Hill, Ont.

A discussion ensued on the proportion of the fines imposed under the provisions of the recent Veterinary Act that should be paid over to the prosecutor, these fines being the property of this Association, and it was resolved that as the Association did not wish to be pecuniarily benefited by the fines, but wished to protect the profession, "that the greater part should be paid over to the prosecutor, a small proportion only to be retained to defray necessary expenses."

The election of officers for the ensuing year then took place, with the following result: Major Lloyd, President; Mr. S. Slesoo, 1st Vice-President; Mr. H. S. Wende, 2nd Vice-President; Mr. Sweetapple, Secretary-Treasurer. Directors—Messrs. W. Shaw, W. Gibb, J. W. Faskin, W. J. Wilson, John Wende, W. Steele, W. Cowan, and R. F. Golden. Auditors—Mr. C. Elliott and Mr. J. D. O'Neill. Delegates to the Western Fair Association—Messrs. J. E. Wilson, H. S. Wende, and J. D. O'Neill. Delegates to the Industrial Fair Association, Toronto—Prof. A. Smith and Major Lloyd.

The retiring President having vacated the chair in favor of the President-elect, a hearty vote of thanks was tendered to Mr. Hopkins for his able conduct and the interest he had taken in the Association during his term of office.

Major Lloyd, on assuming the chair, thanked the members cordially for the honor conferred on him and promised to do all in his power for the best interests of the Association. Amongst other matters, he urged upon all the members the benefits that might accrue if each one were to give an account at our next meeting of some case of special interest that he had met with in his practice during the past year. Even if it were only one case, he hoped every one would endeavor to contribute something.

Prof. J. H. Reed, of the Agricultural College, Guelph, gave an interesting account of some cases of cerebro-spinal meningitis that he had met with. He mentioned particularly the paralysis of the muscles of deglutition as one of the marked symptoms. He had had bacteriological examinations made of the water used, and he believed the cause of the disease to have been pathogenic bacteria in the water. Hyposulphate of soda and also nuxvomica had been used in the medicinal treatment of the disease.

Mr. R. F. Golden, V. S., of Windsor, Ont., gave an account of hog cholera that existed in the County of Essex. He described the symptoms he had observed, also the post-mortem appearances. He mentioned that in some cases the reverse conditions were apparent, and frequently both the lungs and bowels were implicated.

Mr. W. Gibb, V. S., of Stratford, Ont., read an excellent paper on the value of action and position as indications of lameness in the horse and the diagnosis of its position.

Interesting discussions took place at the close of each, in which many members participated, and a hearty vote of thanks was tendered to each of the gentlemen for his valuable contribution.

A discussion occurred on the need for better legal protection for the profession and the best mode to be adopted for endeavoring to secure it, and it was strongly urged that all members of the profession should act in unison, as only by that means can we hope to attain the object in view.

The sum of \$25 was appropriated for a medal to be competed for by the students of the Ontario Veterinary College at the approaching spring examination.

The meeting adjourned.

GOSSIP.

WILLOW BANK STOCK FARM

is situated some three or four miles north of Caledonia, Ont. It comprises a large tract of fine agricultural and pasture lands, well watered by never-falling streams, while the buildings are of the substantial and comfortable kind. But the special attraction at Willow Bank Farm is the fine large herd of high-bred Shorthorns, which was established some forty years ago or more, the first purchase being from the Hon. A. Ferguson, and subsequently selections were added from the Bow Park stock and the herd of the Hon. A. H. Cochrane, of Compton, P. Q. At present the herd comprises some ninety individuals of herd comprising some ninety individuals of herd of good quality and breeding that a ready sale is always found for anything offered. Mr. Douglas also informed us that in many cases they have supplied the same parties with their stock bulls for many years. We were shown the stock and buildings by the general manager, Mr. J. S. Douglas, who is not only a pleasant entertainer, but an energetic and thorough stockman and farmer.

The herd is now headed by Baron Evenlode = 16705, bred at Bow Park and got by the well-known stock bull, Baron Waraby = 4249, having for his dam Evenlode 102, (imp.) = 5117. He is of Bates blood and although getting up in years is still active and doing grand service in the herd, having been exceedingly successful as a stock getter, his stock always being ready sellers at good prices. This bull is assisted by Isabella's Heir = 19550, also purchased from Bow Park, he being sired by Waterloo Banner 7189, his dam being Isabella 3rd by Ingram's Chief = 2704. Isabella's Heir is a fine three-year-old of great substance, now weighing over 2,400 pounds. He is of Booth strain, rich roan in color, and a massive bull withal, with grand top and under lines, fine head and front, and mellow, velvety skin. The young stock of the herd. A good two-year-old bull was also seen—a deep red in color and a thick, stocky fellow with good top and grand head. He is from Baron Evenlode and should be a ready seller. Several fine young bull calves, reds and roans, were also shown us—handreds and roans, of good quality, from the above bulls. Among the cows, a few of the best are such as Adeline = 11120, by Lord Dufferin = 25312, dam Miss Dickens = 10112, trading to Louise (imp.) = 304; Britannia 35th = 19007, by Earl of Goodness 20th = 8289, dam Britannia 26th = 701; and Elgitha 7th = 16752, who was got by Earl of Goodness 20th = 8289, by Nineteenth Duke of Kirkcubrighton = 3078. The above cow is one of the best breeders and most valuable of the herd, and her family has been the chief foundation. A fine flock of Leicester sheep is also kept—established in 1848—comprising over one hundred head; also a good class of Berkshires, of which sows were imported a few years ago at fancy prices for foundation stock.

SHORTHORN BULLS

I have six young bulls, got by Aberdeen (imp.); good ones. One is a full brother to the champion heifer at Toronto and Ottawa fairs this fall; also some fine young heifers. Write for prices, or, better, come and see them.

JOHN MILLER, Markham, Ontario.

Stations—Locust Hill, C. P. R. Markham, G. T. R.

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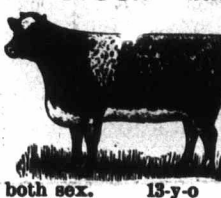
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One of the oldest established herds in the Province, heavy milking qualities being a special feature of the herd. A number of choice young bulls and heifers for sale at reasonable prices. Address.

21-1-f-om JAS. DOUGLAS, Caledonia, Ont.

THE GRAND VALLEY STOCK FARM

G. & W. GIER, Props., Grand Valley, Ont., Breeders of Short-horns and Imp. Yorkshires. We offer for sale young bulls, cows and heifers of choice breeding and good quality at very low prices; also choice young Yorkshires of both sex.



SIMMONS & QUIRRE.

Short-horn Cattle, Berkshire Swine—Money-making Sorts.

The imported bull, BLUE RIBBON = 17065 = (63736), by ROYAL JAMES (54972); dam ROSE-LINTY, by GRAYSHIRE (4646), heads the herd. Female representatives of the celebrated Mina, Strathallan, Golden Drop and Myrie families. The Berkshires are choice prize-winning stock. Easy to feed, quick to sell.

Stock for Sale. C. M. SIMMONS, Ivan P.O., Ont. 1-1-y-om JAMES QUIRRE, Delaware, Ont.

SHORTHORNS!

I have four beautiful young Shorthorns due to calve in Jan. to Perfection's Hero = 20981 =; also three grand red heifer calves, which I will sell at the very lowest possible living price. Also an A 1 Berkshire boar, ten months old. See stock notes.

Wm. Rivers, 13-1-y-om Springhill Farm, WALKERTON, ONT.

Shorthorns, Berkshires.

Young Bulls and Calves for sale at very moderate prices; also a splendid lot of Boars from spring litters, and a number of fall pigs.

JOHN RACEY, Jr., - Lennoxville, Que. 17-1-y-om

MAPLE LODGE STOCK FARM.

Fifteen splendid young Shorthorn Bulls for sale, and a few Leicesters.

JAMES S. SMITH, 9-1-y-om Maple Lodge P.O., Ontario.

W. H. & J. O. FIELD, VANESSA, ONTARIO. Breeders of Shorthorn Cattle, have for sale a fine two-year-old bull at \$60.00; also a choice eight months' old bull calf at \$50.00, winner of eight firsts. These bulls are of choice quality and breeding.

GOSSIP.

H. A. Daniells, Secretary of the National Lincoln Sheep Breeders' Association: "I think your Christmas Number very fine, and hope your shadow will never grow less."

Messrs. H. Cargill & Son, Cargill, Ont., write:—"We have our cattle stabled for the winter. They are looking well, considering the poor pastures of the very dry season just passed. We have already sold five young bulls this fall, which we consider is an evidence of their superiority, as they were sold at slightly increased prices over previous years, and three or four months younger." See Messrs. Cargill's change of advertisement.

Canadian poultry, like other Canadian live stock, takes first place when it comes in public competition with the rest of the world. Mr. Wm. McNeil, the well-known Canadian poultryman, lately attended the great Kansas City winter poultry show, where his birds captured 157 firsts, 38 seconds, 40 thirds, and 19 fourths, amounting to some \$900 in cash, a valuable piano (the third he has taken there), a \$150 cup, a \$10 cup, and range stove.

G. W. Clemons, St. George, writes:—"Please find enclosed copy of advertisement to take the place of that now running in the Advocate. The bull advertised was sold to Mr. John Griesbach, Collingwood, and he has in him an animal of fine dairy type. I have a grand lot of bull calves this year from my big record show cows, and at the present low prices every dairy farmer ought to be able to buy. Am glad to be able to report a good demand for stock, and I find that the Advocate brings me more enquiries than any other paper."

Alex. Hume & Co., Burnbrae, write:—"We enclose you a change of ad. We have now all our cattle, numbering fifty-seven, comfortably stabled, and they are in good condition. The calves have done remarkably well, and they are a lot of fine, lengthy, thrifty fellows that will be ready for service by early spring. They all show strong dairy points, and so they should, as they are from heavy milkers. The cows are holding to their milk well, and there is a nice lot of milk going to the creamery. We breed for milk first, show-ring afterwards, and any cow not proving a profitable milker is sent to the butcher. We are in the milk business and any one wanting milking qualities will do well to write us before buying elsewhere. We won 61 prizes on cattle at the four fairs, viz., 29 firsts, 16 seconds, 12 thirds, and 4 fourths."

A MOVE IN CLYDESDALES.

As will be seen by an advertisement in another column, a shipment of well-bred Clydesdale stallions has been recently received by the firm of Messrs. Hunt & Colter, of Brantford, Ont. Although we have not had an opportunity of seeing these horses, we understand they are a good lot, of very fashionable breeding. They come directly from the noted stud of Mr. N. P. Clark (who requires no introduction to horse breeders), of St. Cloud, Minnesota, so successful at the World's "Columbian," winning on 31 horses 36 prizes, including the grand sweepstakes on stallions and mares. We have received a catalogue of the stud, which is known as Meadow Lawn Stock Farm. It is splendidly illustrated with many full-page cuts of superior mares and stallions, and contains in all 224 pages. The importation referred to in the advertisement includes the following: Macolinker 6752, foaled 1891; sire, Macgregor 4997, by Darnley 26; dam, Madge of Airlie (8690), by Challenger (1088). Warlock 8053, foaled 1894; sire, 2nd Duke 5566; dam, Lady Superior 5797. Lothian Laird 8050, foaled 1894; sire, Prince Patrick 6773; dam, Lothian Lady 6758. Chief Secretary 5794, foaled 1890; sire, Sirdar 5994, by Darnley 26; dam, Margie of Kilmory (8831). Peter the Prince 7552, foaled 1892; sire, Prince Darnley (8133), by Prince of Wales 487; dam, Do or Die (8808). Phenomenon 7553, foaled 1890; sire, Sirdar 5994, by Darnley 26; dam, Nelly of Quackhog (4821), by Druid (1220). Catalogues and any other information desired can be obtained from Messrs. Hunt & Colter. The supply of desirable horses has been running down low, and good draft sires are badly needed in many localities, and the above importation will doubtless attract many visitors.