

Stock Sales.

We hope to be able to make this department of the FARMER'S ADVOCATE so interesting as to be really indispensable to all interested in the breeding and feeding, importing and exporting of pure bred stock. We have to thank our friends for reports sent to us, and to request all breeders and importers to forward to us, at an early date, such information, and to help us in our endeavors to aid in the encouragement of this very important branch of national industry and wealth. All will agree with us in our conviction that the importance of the improvement of our live stock is secondary to none other in Canada.

We notice that John R. Craig, of Burnhamthorpe, purchased at Warnock & Jenkins' sale Duchess of Springfield for \$2,250. At Mr. H. P. Thompson's sale Princess Gwynne for \$825. At North Elkhorn Importing Co.'s sale Lady Seraphina 6th for \$1,600.

John Snell's Sons, Edmonton, Ont., report sales of 25 Cotswolds at the St. Louis, Mo., Fair, 13 of them lambs, at an average of \$85 each. Thirty Cotswold ram lambs, in the last 3 months, at an average of \$55 each; 5 of these sold at \$100 each—lowest price, \$25. Six imported shearling rams at \$200 each. Imported ram Palmer, 3 years old, to W. W. Thornton, Shelbyville, Ill., \$225.

Sixty-five Berkshire pigs, in the last six months, at an average of \$43 each; lowest price, \$15; highest, \$300.

Received from England, Oct. 26, four Berkshire sows and one young boar. Sold one of the sows to M. F. Dunlap, Jacksonville, Ill., for \$300, gold. Demand for good Berkshire and Cotswolds unusually good, and prices very satisfactory.

Jardine & Son, Hamilton, report they have made a number of sales this fall. Sold at the Guelph Fair the Ayrshire heifer Hop Maid, 1 year old, to Mr. A. Preston—price, \$125; P. E. bull calf Robbie Bruce, 6 months old, to Rothwell Bros., Ottawa—price, \$120. Sold two at Toronto Fair—Annie Lawrie, P. B. C.—price, \$400. Nov. 15th, sold to John McPherson Rae, Kingsville, Essex Co., three Ayrshires, viz., one bull calf, 7 months old, and two heifers, one year old—price, \$450. Report their stock all doing well, after taking first herd prize at the Provincial, and sweeping the ring at Ottawa, Guelph, Hamilton and Toronto.

Hugh Thompson, Kinellar Farm, St. Mary's, reports having lately made sales to M. W. Serrell, of Middlefield, Conn., of the following Shorthorn cattle, viz.: Matchless 17th, three years old, \$800; Orange Blossom 25th, one year old, \$1,000; Village Lass, calf, \$600; Mysie 38th, calf, \$500. All to be paid in gold.

Wm. M. Miller, Brougham, reports having just received from Messrs. Cole and Walker, Gloucestershire, Eng., about eighty Cotswold shearling ewes, and a number of shearling rams and ram lambs. They were selected by Mr. S. Beattie in person, and brought over by him. They are said to be the best lot yet imported. Mr. Miller also reports that all his stock are doing well; and that he has four young calves, all red, which are also doing well.

Hon. M. H. Cochrane, Compton, P. Q., effected some important sales of Shorthorns while in England, among them the Booth bull Royal Commander, to Hugh Aylmer, Esq., for 1150 guineas, and to A. H. Brown, Esq., the two year old cow Forget-me-not, and four of Royal Commander's heifers, receiving 3,500 guineas for the five.

Messrs. Claybrook & Pearce, Maysville, Ky., recently purchased of A. J. Alexander, of Dumfries Township, Ont., for \$3,500, the Shorthorn Lord Bates 3rd, a roan of July, 1875.

F. W. Stone, Guelph, Ont., has made the following sales:—To Hon. F. Stump, Cecil Co., Md., a Shorthorn bull calf; to Hon. A. McQueen, Fredericton, N. B., the Hereford bull Chieftain, winner of the first prize at Ottawa, 1875.

Messrs. A. and A. Stewart, the large cattle breeding firm of Lobo, have sold a herd of Durhams, consisting of four females, to Mr. Ferrill, of Middlefield, Conn., for \$3,000. The cattle that brought this handsome figure are of what is termed the Seraphina Strain, and a two year old

of the same family was sold by them last year for \$1,000. At a recent sale in Kentucky an animal of the same family sold for \$2,600 and another for \$1,600. The last named came to Canada. The same breed of cattle is also very popular in England. The Messrs. Stewart deserve credit for their enterprise, and it is to be hoped that the venture will be one of continued profit to them.

Mr. Campbell, of Auchindarroch, Scotland, at his annual sale of shealing tups, received an average price of £5 18 6 per head. The top price was £12 10.

At the great autumn sale at Hawick, Scotland, by Messrs. A. Oliver & Son, the sale lasted all day, and the number of head disposed of was about 14,000. The sale was the best for old sheep in the border flockmaster's experience.

Ballinaston Fair, Ireland, is said to have been the smallest recorded for over 20 years. The returns show that on the first day 35,371 head were sold; on the first day last year 56,856 were sold. Some wethers were sold for 4 guineas, and some ewes made 75s.

The Ohio Farmer says: "The roan heifer calf, 22nd Duchess of Airdrie, four months, by 24th Duke of Airdrie 1725, out of the 16th Duchess of Airdrie by 10th Duke of Thorndale, is a salable animal. It is not three months yet since Messrs. B. B. Groom & Son purchased her for \$12,000. Messrs. Spears & Son, Tallula, Ill., bought her at B. B. Groom's sale, last month, for \$17,500, and they sold her the other day to Geo. Fox, England, for \$22,000."

From a notice in the Farmers' Home Journal, it appears that the buyers at the recent series of Kentucky Sales, not residing in that State, comprised 18 breeders from Illinois, 15 from Indiana, 13 from Iowa, 8 from Ohio, 6 from Missouri, 3 each from Michigan and Vermont, 2 each from New York, Connecticut, Canada, Pennsylvania, Virginia and Tennessee, and 1 each from Minnesota, Massachusetts and West Virginia—15 States and Canada, showing a very wide distribution of the herds sold, and also affording evidence of marked progress as breeding States, particularly perhaps in Indiana and Iowa.

[Received as going to press: Report of F. W. Stone. This report we have had to abridge very much, it having been received so late. All reports of live stock sales should be in our hands by the 20th of each month.]

Recent importations of thoroughbred stock made by Frederick Wm. Stone, of Guelph, Ont.

SHORTHORNS.

No. 1—Ruby 2nd, red; calved January, 1870; sire, Lord Warwick.

No. 2—Lilly 2nd, roan; calved 2nd January, 1872; sire, Lord Warwick.

No. 3—Lady Jane, red; calved 8th March, 1874; sire, British Lion.

No. 4—Lady Smith, red; calved 14th March, 1874; sire, British Lion.

No. 5—Recruit, calved 30th January, 1874; sire, British Lion.

The above were bred by Sir Frederick C. Smythe, Acton, Burwell, England, and arrived in Guelph November, 1874.

No. 6—Chilton Duchess, roan; calved 11th April, 1871; sire, Cambridge Duke 4th.

No. 7—Sultana 7th, roan; calved 5th April, 1872; bred by the late Mr. Abbot, Ospringe, Kent; sire, Icarus.

No. 8—Sultana 11th, red and white; calved 2nd October, 1874; sire, Duke of Maidstone.

No. 9—Consolation, red; calved 19th February, 1873; sire, Earl of Lancaster.

No. 10—Anchovy, red; calved 2nd February, 1873; sire, Caballer.

No. 11—Polyanthus, red; calved 10th March, 1873, sire, Duke John.

The above were bred by Mr. J. A. Mumford, Brill, England, and arrived in Guelph on the 4th of July, 1875.

No. 12—Sultana 7th, red; calved 5th April, 1874; sire, 2nd Grand Duke of Geneva.

No. 13—May Flora 3rd, red and white; calved 22nd May, 1874; sire, 6th Duke of Oneida.

The above were bred by Mr. Leney, Watlington, England, and arrived in Guelph 1st August 1875.

No. 14—Jesdemona, red; calved 25th November, 1869; sire, 3rd Duke of Geneva.

No. 15—Queen of Weston 2nd, red and white; calved November 10th, 1870; sire, Duke of Kent.

No. 16—Queen of Weston 5th, roan; calved 6th December, 1874; sire, Cherry Fawley.

No. 17—Seamstress, red roan; calved August, 17th, 1874; sire, Cherry Grand Duke 5th.

No. 18—Didona 3rd, red; calved 19th December, 1874; sire, 2nd Duke of Milcote.

The above were bred by Sir G. R. Philips, Weston Park, Warwickshire, England and reached Guelph 1st Aug, 1875.

No. 19—Jessica, red; calved May 31st, 1872; bred by Mr. Leney, Watlington, Kent, England; sire, 15th Grand Duke.

No. 20—Bull Calf, red; calved August 21st 1875; sire, 8th Duke of Geneva.

No. 21—Formosa, red roan; calved 23rd February 1874; bred by Lord Skelmersdale, Lancashire, England; sire, by Cherry Grand Duke 5th.

No. 22—Baron Berkeley, roan; calved January 10th, 1875; bred by the Earl of Bective, Underley Hall, Westmoreland, England; sire, by the 3rd Duke of Gloster.

HEREFORD CATTLE.

No. 1—Beauty 5th, red, with white face; sire, Dauphin.

No. 2—Governor 4th, red, with white face; sire, Prizeman.

No. 3—Portrait 3rd, red, with white face; calved 25th December, 1873; sire, Prizeman.

The above were bred by Mr. J. B. Green, Marlow Lodge, Leintwardine, Herefordshire.

Sheep imported Oct., 1874—1 two-shear Cotswold ram, bred by Mr. R. Garne; 1 shearling Cotswold ram, bred by Mr. Savidge; 1 two-shear Southdown ram; 2 shearling Southdown rams; 11 shearing ewes, including the 2nd prize pen at Royal.

Cotswold sheep imported Aug. 27, 1875—1 two-shear ram, bred by Mr. Godwin; 1 shearling ram, bred by Mr. R. Garne; 2 ram lambs, bred by Mr. M. Savidge.

Frederick Wm. Stone, Guelph, Ont., has made the following recent sales, viz.:

SHORTHORNS.

To H. Walker, Walkerville, Ont., yearling bull Cyrus, red; got by Sheriff. To C. S. Smith, Acton, Ont., yearling bull Zephyr, roan; got by Sheriff; also yearling heifers, Lady Smith, red; got by British Lion; and Maggie Bell, roan; got by Constance Duke 7753. To Hon. Frederick Stump, Perryville, Cecil Co., Md., bull calf Lord Chancellor, red and white; got by Airdrie Duke 3rd.

HEREFORDS.

Sales of yearling bulls—Canadian, by Commander-in-Chief, to John Merryman. Candeboye, by Victor 2nd, to F. J. Chadwick, Guelph, Ont. Sir Walter, by Commander-in-Chief, to John Challen, Townsend, Ont. Dreadnaught, by Victor 2nd, to John Gordon, Puslinch, Ont. Chieftain, by Commander-in-Chief, Hon. A. McQueen, Fredericton, New Brunswick.

COTSWOLD SHEEP.

To W. L. Waddy, Shelby Co., Ky., 1 two-shear ram and one shearling ewe. To N. McConathy, Lexington, Ky., 1 two-shear ram. To Mr. Miller, Paris, Ont., 1 two-shear ram. To F. G. Grieve, Lakefield, Ont., one ram and twenty ewes. To Ed. Sweeney, Cooperstown, Pa., one shearling ewe.

SOUTHDOWN.

To the Ontario School of Agriculture, Guelph, 1 imp. two-shear ram and 10 ewes. To D. Perley, Paris, Ont., 1 ram lamb.

To Mr. McGregor, Seaforth, Ont., 1 Berkshire boar pig.

SALES AT TORONTO, CONVENTION WEEK.

The next annual meeting of the American Association of Shorthorn Breeders convenes at Toronto, Dec. 2nd, and an important joint sale of Shorthorns, from the herds of John R. Craig, James W. Wadsworth, Sumner & Hilton and Col. John B. Taylor, has been arranged to follow as soon as the convention adjourns. About 60 head will be offered, all we believe, fashionably bred, including Princesses, Rose of Sharon, Lady Bates, Barringtons, Kirklevingtons, Cragg, Fenel Duchesses, Erantics, Peris, Mazurkas, Constances, Seraphinas, Cypresses, etc.

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