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## GOSSIP

The attention of breeders of pure-bred stock is called to the advertisement of Messrs. MacDonald, Fraser & Co., of Perth, Scotland, of the series of auction sales of cattle, sheep and horses of various breeds, to take place in September and October, catalogues of which may be had by writing the auctioneers as above.

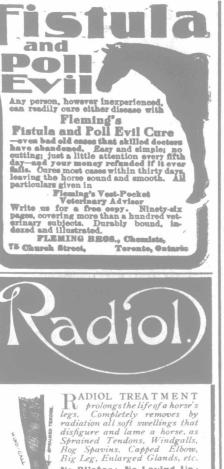
The English Shorthorn Society has passed a rule providing against the registration of animals by very young sires or out of very young dams, thus: The roduce of a sire under ten months old at time of service, or of a dam served under ten months old, will not be accepted for entry in Coates' Herdbook."

Messrs. Hanmer & Hodgson, of Brantford, Ont., advertise for sale selections from their new importation of high-class Shropshire sheep, flock headers, show rams and field ewes and rams; also Welsh cobs and Shetland ponies. See their advertisement and write or visit them.

A change is again made in the advertisement of Maple Glen Holstein herd, property of G. A. Gilroy, Glen Buell, Ont., offering two bull calves of extra merit. Not every day has one an opportunity to secure a young bull whose dam, sire's dam, and g. dam, all in official test, average over 4 per cent. fat each, and average butter for the three is 24 2-3 lbs. each. Surely such an animal is worthy of special mention. Also, bull calves from 191-lb.-2-year-olds are scarce. The dam of latter calf gave 2,100 lbs. milk in May. Pretty good work for a heifer. When the official testing this past spring was completed, the average test of all tested females in the herd averaged over 20 lbs. butter each, of which three were two-year-olds, two were three-year-olds and one a four-year-old. With such a herd we naturally felt the need of an extra well bred bull, and, as previously announced, secured the rich young sire, Oakland Sir Maida, bred from great productive strains, sired by a son of a 31-lb. tested cow, with 1261 lbs. 30-day test, while his g. sire's dam was first 30-lb. cow of breed with over 1231 lbs. 30-day test. His dam has 24 1-3 lbs. 7-day test as a four-year-old. She also is sired by Lord Netherland De Kol, with 72 tested daughters. Her dam made 26% lbs. this spring, first test, with over 4.70 fat. The average fat test for the pedigree of the young bull will average about 3.88 per cent. fat. Visitors are always welcome, and will be met at Brockville or Forthton by sending notice ahead.

SHORTHORNS AND SHROPSHIRES. Few young men in Canada are better or more favorably known as an importer of high-class Shorthorn cattle and Shropthan Mr. Morcer 0 Markdale. Ont. Few men of his age have handled more high-class stuff than he, and at any time anyone in want of something really good in Shorthorns, whether it be a herd-header or a choice female, can be pretty sure of finding it on T. L. Mercer's well-equipped stock farm, a couple of miles from Markdale station on the Owen Sound branch of the C.P.R. At present the Shorthorn herd is represented by strictly high-class representatives of the Missie, Stamford, Claret and Gem of Ballechin families, at the head of which is the grandly-bred Broadhooks bull, Broadhooks Golden Fame, imported in dam, one of the best individuals, and certainly one of the best breeding bulls in Canada. Later on Mr. Mercer will have for sale some young bulls got by him, and others got by the Fragrance bull, Trout Creek Choice, a son of Sweet Fragrance (imp.), by the Undine bull, Alastair, sired by the great son of the great Silver Plate, Pride of Windsor (imp.). These young bulls, besides being so richly bred on their sire's side, are nearly all out of Toronto winners on their dam's side. In Shropshires, Mr. Mercer's breeding flock is made up of something over 50 imported ewes, of a type and covering equalled by few and excelled by none. Part of this number are for sale, besides about 30 ewe lambs and the same number of ram lambs, all with imported sire and dam. Parties in need of a high-class flockheader for this fall should make a selection early. Long-distance 'phone in connection with the farm.

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## THE WESTERN FAIR IN LONDON. To be held this year Sept. 11-19. To those who have been accustomed to attend London's Popular Exhibition, a visit this year will be a revelation. The grounds and buildings present a most beautiful appearance. About seven thousand dollars have been expended on new buildings and repairs to old ones.

All the buildings have been painted, and the general effect is certainly fine. Inquiry at the general offices indicates that this year's exhibition will (weather

permitting) eclipse all previous ones from every standpoint. Space in some of the buildings is already at a premium, and surprises await the visitors, espe cially in the main building. The Old Curiosity Shop, Carpet-weaving, the Bakery, the Printing-press, will all be very interesting and attractive, while several of our leading manufacturers will have their machines at work demonstrating the manufacture of their goods. Athletic Day, on Monday, Sept. 14th, promises great things, and very handsome trophies and medals have been provided for the same. The Dog Show prize list has just been issued, and the committee are sure of a great success. The attractions provided are on a much larger scale than ever before attempted, and includes a large Wild West Show, which will be a whole programme in itself. Programmes are being prepared

now, giving full particulars. All information as to space, prize lists, entry forms, and everything in connection with the Exhibition, may be obtained by addressing A. M. Hunt, Secretary Western Fair, London, Ont. Reduced railway rates will be available.

NEW HOLSTEIN ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the breeders of Holstein-Friesian cattle from Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta was held in the agricultural tent on the fair grounds at Calgary on Wednesday, July 8th.

The object of the meeting was to consider the advisability of forming a Western association of Holstein breeders, it being thought the time has arrived for doing so.

Mr. Thomas Laycock, of Calgary, (one of the first breeders in the Province), was elected chairman, and after giving the matter full discussion it was decided to form an association, to be known as the Western Canadian Holstein-Friesian Association. Following is a list of officers elected:

President, David Munroe, Winnipeg, Man.: Vice-President, A. B. Potter, Montgomery, Sask. Committee—A. B. Pot-ter (President), Montgomery, Sask.; A. Blackwood, De Winton, Alta.; Glen Bros., Didsbury. Alta .; Thos. Laycock, Calgary, Alta.; W. H. Mullins, Ponoka, Alta. George Munroe, Winnipeg, Man. Secre



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