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A. C. Staff.

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J. WELSH.

Leave Farms.

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with the Registrars to deal with the matter, so that if your friends have men who are ordinarily working for them on the farms and who cannot be spared to leave the farms for other occupations, a letter to the appropriate Registrar, complaining that such and such a man has improperly left his habitual occupation, the Registrar would no doubt deal with individual cases so as to rectify this—provided that no bondage is involved.

"Having regard to the contents of your letter, I am writing all the Registrars to scrutinize very carefully all applications made to them for the temporary certificates mentioned in the advertisement in question."

The Minister of Agriculture assured us that he had taken the matter up with the Military Service Branch, and referred to the Order-in-Council dealing with this matter as follows:

"The purpose of the Order-in-Council dealing with this matter was to make it possible for farmers, or farmers' sons, who had secured exemption on the ground that they would continue their agricultural work, to leave it for a few months in the winter and take up other occupations. In Northern Ontario and parts of Quebec it has been the custom in the past for farmers, and farmers' sons, to go into the woods for a few months in the winter, returning in the spring to carry on their farm work."

We have reason to believe that a further notice relative to this matter may be expected from the Military Service Branch at an early date; and we feel sure that no farmer who really needs help throughout the winter months need feel afraid that such will be taken from him.

London Shorthorn Sale Brings \$17,940.

The semi-annual Shorthorn sale of the Western Ontario Consignment Sale Company was again favored with ideal weather, and as choice a lot of breeding stock as the Company has ever offered the public went under the hammer during the afternoon of November 6. There was a large crowd present, but the bidding was not nearly so brisk as it has been on former occasions. Considering the individuality and quality of the offering, the general average price was too low. Purchasers secured choice breeding propositions, both male and female, at less than their value, considering what stock has been selling at in other sale-rings. The unsettled state of affairs in the world over, and the uncertainty of prices on the cessation of hostilities in Europe probably had a detrimental effect on the bidding. However, what was the consigner's loss was the purchaser's gain.

The sale was opened by Professor Day, Secretary of the Canadian Shorthorn Breeders' Association, who saw no cause for pessimism regarding the future of the Shorthorn trade. While prices may go down for a time, the speaker prophesied that when conditions became normal, prices for good cattle would be at a high level. The war has depleted the herds of Europe, and it is generally assured that there will be a keen demand for the right quality of breeding stuff to replenish the herds of the devastated countries. Captain Robson claimed that Ontario breeders were capable of producing the quality of stock that would be in demand in Europe, and saw no reason for prices dropping very much.

There were eighteen bulls in the offering, which sold at an average of \$243.33. Among the lot was some particularly choice breeding. Rosewood Baron, a growthy, smooth, well-proportioned calf of excellent quality, a little over a year old, topped the sale at \$700. This calf was consigned by Wm. Waldie, of Stratford, and went to the bid of D. Trestrain, of Glencoe. This calf was a straight-bred Rosewood. He was sired by Hill-head Chief, (imp.), a herd sire that bids fair to be a great breeder. Broadhooks Ramsden, another choice young bull, consigned by Kyle Bros., went to the bid of H. Forbes, of Tupperville, for \$400. He is a Broadhooks of Cruickshank breeding, and is sired by Nonpareil Ramsden.

Some bargains were obtained in heifers and young cows. Rosebud Myrtle, a particularly good calf which will not be a year old until January, led the females in price at \$610. She is a Rosebud, sired by Sultan Choice, and was consigned by John Gardhouse & Sons, Weston. Her purchaser was A. J. Fox, of Harrow. The next highest-priced female was Primrose Kate, consigned by R. S. Robson & Son. She is of Miss Ramsden breeding, and was purchased by J. Latimer, of Woodstock. The 55 females averaged \$246.50. Practically all of the stock remains in Canada. While American buyers were present, only two or three animals were purchased by them.

Among the contributors to the sale were: R. & S. Nicholson, W. H. Nicholson, E. Brien & Sons, A. W. Barrett, G. A. Attridge, R. S. Robson & Son, Oestreicher Bros., A. J. Fox, J. T. Gibson, Wm. Hamilton, Wm. Waldie, Wm. McTaggart, D. A. Graham, A. J. Campbell, H. Lee, Kyle Bros., J. A. Latimer, Geo. Gier, John Gardhouse & Sons, J. H. Lampman & Sons, Gus Campbell, Percy Sutherland, F. W. Scott & Sons. The following is a list of the animals sold, together with the names and addresses of the purchasers:

Males.

Nonpareil Winner, E. Rutherford, Burford.....\$165
Good Stamp, J. Latimer, Woodstock..... 235
Browdale Count, A. Coles, Blenheim..... 255



The Dawn of Peace.

The great World War is over. Early on Monday morning last, this, the most welcome news that ever came into millions of homes, was heralded to all corners of the globe. The wires of the civilized world were hot with the words that an armistice had been signed and that German autocracy had fallen with a crash. The arch criminal and instigator of the awful conflict which has darkened so many homes, shivering, took the proffered pen in his hand and signed the document which reduced the House of Hohenzollern to a level with the fallen rulers of Greece, Russia, Bulgaria and Turkey. Thus the last and strongest exponent of the Divine Right of Kings revoked this empty prerogative, and a Peoples' Government was set up in a country where Autocracy and Militarism have long been enthroned. The Kaiser said: "It may be for the good of Germany." Let us pray that it will be, and for the whole civilized world.

The great world war is over. Out of this awful cataclysm the people of the earth have emerged with greater powers and a fuller confidence in the will and voice of the masses. Autocracy has given way to Democracy, which means that militarism will be cast out and the Prince of Peace will be enthroned in the heart of the nations. We have been sincere in our joy over the great victory, and the prospects of returning loved ones, but who can conceive of the emotions that must have welled up in the breasts of French and Belgian peasants when they found themselves at last released from the yoke of the German invader. They know to the full what war means, and will all the more enjoy the peace which they have purchased with four and a quarter years of wonderful sacrifice. Would that we all might celebrate this glorious victory with the same degree of enthusiasm, but to many the news will recall, with pangs of sorrow, the departure of those near and dear who gave their lives that we might enjoy this triumph and deliverance from the threatening tyranny of the Hun.

Early in August, 1914, the British army appeared at Mons, and again on Monday morning last, just before the bugles sounded "cease firing," the Canadians crowned a series of glorious achievements by romping into the same city at the heels of the retreating foe. The "Lions Whelp" has established a record which the pages of history will describe, and Canada has been exalted through the deeds and sacrifices of her heroic sons. Let us "keep faith" with those who have fought, and so serve our country in the coming years of peace that the fair name of Canada may continue a household word among the peoples of the earth.



Dr. J. G. Rutherford.

Lord Wimple, Geo. Smith, Embro..... 155
Rockfeller, J. M. Gardhouse, Weston..... 310
Red Chief, J. Webster, Lucknow..... 290
Seagum Buckingham, E. M. Sutherland, Glencoe..... 165
Royal Crown, H. I. Donaldson, Woodstock..... 305
Rosewood Baron, D. Trestrain, Glencoe..... 700
Gloster Permit, Glendenning Bros., Embro..... 205
Roan Gloster, G. Moorehouse, Cairo..... 200
Improver, W. McAllister, Auburn..... 312
Bellona Lad, J. McIntyre, Paisley..... 140
Woodrow, Robt. Blair, Embro..... 155
Marquis Buckingham, R. S. Douglas, Ilderton..... 120
Count Victor, J. Morris, Mitchell..... 140
Broadhooks Champion, E. W. Wilson, Kitchener..... 155
Broadhooks Ramsden, H. Forbes, Tupperville..... 400

Females.

Clementina 19th, J. Ratcliffe, Exeter..... 185
Averne 23rd, R. S. Robson & Son, Denfield..... 335
Pine Apple 11th, E. R. McDermot, Ridgetown..... 290
Lovely of Woodburn, T. Forran, St. George..... 275
Vanity 27th, T. Forran..... 165

Fairy Queen, R. S. Robson & Son..... 310
Oaklands Mina, H. C. Robson, Denfield..... 300
Fairy Fashion, H. C. Robson..... 255
White Daisy, H. C. Robson..... 110
Sunshine 2nd, A. M. Snyder, Waterloo..... 235
Primrose Kate, J. Latimer..... 465
Ontario Lily, H. McGee, Islington..... 180
St. Vincent Queen, H. McGee..... 300
Gooseberry 3rd, R. J. Newman, Muirkirk..... 200
Hillside Lass, John Newan, Paris..... 400
Miss Corsican, H. McGee..... 233
Princess Royal 18th, J. R. Fallis, Brampton..... 180
Perfection Beauty, R. Elgie, St. Mary's..... 125
Nonpareil Rose, R. S. Douglas..... 130
Lady Chesterfield, H. McGee..... 170
Wonder of Walnut Grove, J. T. Gibson, Denfield..... 275
Lady Buckingham, R. & D. Murrell, Belton..... 195
Athenstane Rosemary 3rd, J. T. Gibson..... 385
Rosalind 10th, H. C. Robson..... 350
Rosa Lenton 4th, A. Douglas, Strathroy..... 145
Broadhook's Countess 4th, J. Miller, Ashburn..... 260
Hillview Daisy, Homer Edwards, Komoka..... 150
Hillview Blossom, C. Carmichael, Ilderton..... 115
Lady Charming 2nd, R. W. Bogue, Strathroy..... 200
Augusta Queen 11th, W. C. Rosenberger, Tiffin, O..... 400
Sittytton Gloster 21st, W. E. Gibb, Embro..... 280
Village Maid 42nd, W. Simpson, Ridgetown..... 295
Spring Valley Buckingham 5th, R. S. Robson & Son..... 285
Glen Crescent Crimson Flower 9th, A. Langstaff, Tupperville..... 350
Rosina 15th, Robb Bros., Ilderton..... 200
Rosina 16th, C. Jackson, Pt. Stanley..... 150
Lady Louisa, Robb Bros..... 105
Roan Lady 11th, A. J. Fox, Harrow..... 410
Lady Avondale, C. Carmichael..... 145
Rosebud Myrtle, A. J. Fox..... 610
Sittytton's Gloster 36th, R. G. Wilkie, Blenheim..... 320
Lily Belle, J. H. Patrick & Son, Ilderton..... 120
My Daisy, W. A. Henderson, Thamesford..... 270
Lady Baltimore, I. M. Langstaff, Tupperville..... 205
Fair Queen 2nd, Wm. Chinnock, Chatham..... 175
Belle of Poplar Hill 2nd, R. Mitchell, Ilderton..... 140
Marshmallow, Ed. DeGex, Kerrwood..... 345
Village Rosebud 2nd, B. Pierce, Longwood..... 210
Gloster Lass, C. E. Lindsay, Thorndale..... 205
Cecelia 16th, J. McLean, Rodney..... 255
Miss Tashmoon, C. Heath, Tupperville..... 135
Nonpareil Snowdrop, F. W. Scott, Highgate..... 405
Nonpareil Beauty, N. Littlejohn & Son, Highgate..... 325
Mina Dora 2nd, J. S. Gosling, Blenheim..... 155
Miss Jones, H. C. Robson..... 155

Dr. Rutherford For the Railway Board.

The Government has acceded to the requests of agriculturists for a representative on the Board of Railway Commissioners, and has appointed Dr. J. G. Rutherford, Calgary, Alta., to succeed Assistant Chief Commissioner D'Arcy Scott, whose ten-year term expired in September last. S. J. McLean, whose ten-year period expired at the same time, has been re-appointed. The appointment of Dr. Rutherford to the Railway Board will be received with eminent satisfaction by agriculturists in general for the appointee has been long connected with the industry in Canada, where he has rendered invaluable service. John Gunion Rutherford was born in Peebleshire, Scotland, in 1857. He arrived in Canada in 1875 and entered the Ontario Agricultural College where he graduated as a first-prize man in practical agriculture. Then he went to Bow Park Farm, in the historic days of John Hope, who imbued him with a deeper love for live-stock husbandry. In 1879 he graduated a gold medallist of the Ontario Veterinary College. Subsequent to this he practiced in Oxford County, and in the United States. Attracted by the West, he established a veterinary practice at Portage la Prairie, where he took an active part in all matters pertaining to his profession and agriculture in general. He obtained a seat in the Provincial Legislature, and ere long appeared in the Federal House of Commons, where he sat until 1900. In 1904 Dr. Rutherford was made Veterinary Director General for Canada, and in 1906 became Live Stock Commissioner as well. Dr. Rutherford's capacity for organization, and his record at the Capital, are too well known to require comment here. Both departments under his direction made rapid progress, and instituted new lines of work which have been remarkably beneficial to the live-stock industry. In 1912 Dr. Rutherford left behind him a wonderfully constructive record at Ottawa and became Superintendent of Agriculture and Animal Husbandry of the Department of Natural Resources of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, making his headquarters at Calgary. Since that time he has not ceased to be interested in Canadian agriculture in a broad sense; he has served as President of the Western Canada Live Stock Union, and as a member of the Canadian National Live Stock Council. In June, 1910, when Dr. Rutherford was made a C. M. G. by His Majesty the King, an Ottawa friend remarked: "Companion of St. Michael and St. George—well that will be a good thing for them." We predict that the appointment of Dr. Rutherford to the Board of Railway Commissioners will be a good thing for them and for Canadian agriculture.