

Gossip.

Doubt never did much for the world.

So long as a man would do what he knows another man should not do there is no danger of the breed of boodlers becoming extinct.

Keep your feet dry, your back warm, your head cool, your body active and your mind well stored with pleasant things to think about, and life ought to seem worth living.

Seed corn is advertised in this paper by W. B. Roberts, of Sparta, Elgin Co., Ont., who raises corn on a large scale, and makes a speciality of the genuine Smut-nose variety. Write him for particulars.

THE SIGN OF HEALTH.

The combs of the fowl are the sign over the door for either good or bad health, says Meersch in Western Poultry Journal. When in good health this appendage is blood red of a bright and tender color; when bad in health it is dark and of a bluish cast. There is something wrong, and an examination of the fowl itself will often disclose the disease. First look in the mouth to see if there are any canker sores or signs of roup. A yellowish tinge in a bad-colored comb indicates liver complaint. Often a change of food is all that he needs. If you have any onions, a good feed of these often does as well as to make a bran mash or boil up a kettle of vegetables.

The North Cot herd of Yorkshires, the property of Geo. M. Smith, Haysville, Ont., is situated in the County of Waterloo, midway between New Hamburg Station, on the main line, G. T. R., and Bright Station, on Buffalo and Lake Huron branch. This herd, the owner writes, is in a strong, healthy condition, headed by two imported boars. The older one, Summer Hill Dalmeny Topman 2nd (9051), bred by Earl of Rosebery, K. G., sire Borrowfield Topman (5037), dam Summer Hill Dalmeny Lady Frost 4th (imp.) 9087, is a remarkably smooth, straight hog, being used with marked success. The newly-imported hog, Dalmeny Emperor (16058), bred by Earl of Rosebery, K. G., sire Dalmeny Turk (6357), dam Dalmeny Empress 15th (8672), is a smooth, growthy hog of the good bacon type. Among the females also there are some very successful breeders, both Canadian-bred and imported, representing several of the leading families. There is also a young boar for sale in this herd (bred from the older imported sire) of excellent quality, qualified to head any herd. There are also some of the finest young pigs of both sexes ever bred here that will be sold at moderate prices.

When making a flying visit among the herds of Ontario County, recently, our field man called upon Mr. David Birrell, of Greenwood, whose long-established herd of Shorthorns was found in thrifty condition. He has a few good young bulls for sale, one about ten months and the other twenty months old, by Imp. Blue Ribbon, of the Rosemary tribe, the younger a roan from Crimson Maud, of the famous Crimson Flower family, closely related to Crimson Fuchsia 13th, a Toronto sweepstakes winner; the older one a red; both of good quality. Three other good ones, by the same sire, two of them red, of the Minnie Benson sort, the other a roan, of the Crimson Flower family, should be eagerly sought after, as Mr. Birrell offers them at very reasonable figures. He has lately added to his already strong string of females a nice quality red cow, Rosemary of Hillhurst =44464=, rising four years old, sire Imp. Scottish Hero =32089=, who has a double cross of William of Orange in her breeding. She has a fine roan bull calf at foot, by Langford Eclipse (imp.), which sold at the Miller dispersion sale for \$1,425. Royal Prince (imp.), the present stock bull, whose progeny sold so well at the Thistle Ha' sale, where he was formerly in service, is getting good stuff for Mr. Birrell. A bunch of choice young Crimson Flower heifers, by Imp. Blue Ribbon =28876=, are also for sale. The nearest railway stations are Pickering, G. T. R., Claremont, C. P. R. See the advertisement, and write Mr. Birrell, or call on him and see his excellent herd.

THREE CHOICE IMPORTED BULLS FOR SALE,



One red, 20 months old, a Broadhook, by Border Raider; one roan, 13 months, Rosemary, by Proud Champion; also an 18 months Lovat Broadhook, by Spicy King. A number of choice young bulls and heifers by the Silver Plate bull, Bapton Chancellor.

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The sudden death is announced at South Quebec of Mr. M. G. Boivin, who died at his home on the 20th of January, of heart failure. Mr. Boivin was well known and respected by all the importers of stock at the Levis Live-stock Quarantine, having supplied many of them with fodder for their stock in quarantine.

Some time ago a recipe for winter polish for shoes appeared in your columns. I will give another, composed of machine oil and a little pine tar (or perhaps castor oil would be better for shoes). This may be kept ready in a can and applied with a swab; it merely requires warming in. A considerable polish will form when the boots are in contact with snow. This is also waterproof when sufficient tar is used. The preparation is also an antiseptic, and an excellent healer; for keeping flies from any cut on animals, it is not excelled. I also use it to keep flies from cattle in summer, and have it ready to use on pigs for eradicating vermin.

"OLD NIAGARA."

Mr. D. Milne, Ethel, Ont., writes: "I have made the following sales of Shorthorns in the last month: To Mr. Warwick, Bluevale, a bull; to Mr. Scott, Perth Co., Ont., three females; to Mr. Horn, Kennicott, Perth Co., a bull; to Mr. F. Curtiss, Atwood, a bull, and to Mr. Hume, Atwood, a bull. Mr. Hume and Mr. Curtiss each bought a bull from me three years ago, and were so well pleased with them that they came back and bought again. I still have a number of grand young bulls for sale; amongst them, a very pretty ten-months-old, red-roan calf, got by Scotland's Fame (imp.), and out of a grand Stamford cow, also a stylish red ten-months-old calf, by Golden Conqueror (imp.), and out of Countess 3rd (imp.), also the grandly-bred Matchless bull, Matchless Duke, twenty-two months old, got by Red Duke (imp.). They are worth looking after, as the bulls are right, and I will make prices right." Now is a good time to get after this class of stock, so that the bull may become settled before spring sets in.

THE FROG BUSINESS.

The Lindsay Watchman-Warder publishes an interview with Mr. Edward Lee, of Somerville, Carleton Co., Ont., who bought a big farm for \$3,500, which he and his boys paid for by catching frogs in the northern waters up to the Mattawa River, shipping as many as two tons per season. They shipped them to Lindsay, New York and Chicago, getting 70c. to \$1.25 per lb. for the legs. He says:

"We had canoes and tents and teams, and went at it in a business way. In the winter we used to store ice at different centers along the waters on which we were going to frog in the next summer. With a long pole with a foot of line having three hooks with the bars filed off, we caught the frogs. We caught them mostly in the daytime. A man gets very expert at it, and when a frog dives, he can often gauge where he will come up and land him the minute he shows himself. Twice a week we killed and dressed the frogs. That was done at night when there was no flies about. The legs were cut off, skinned, and packed sixty pounds together in a barrel of 150 pounds of ice. With holes in the barrels for the water to get out as ice melted, the legs would go to New York or Chicago in good shape. The railways, except the I. B. & O., and the Lindsay office of the G. T. R., charged us no freight on the ice. It used to cost us more to get them over the I. B. & O. than to Chicago. As a result we after a bit used to haul them out to Kinmount in wagons. Although the Lindsay office of the G. T. R. charged us full freight, we could get shipment from Fenelon Falls at the weight of the frogs alone, and hence used to send even what we caught here up to the Falls to be shipped. We haven't done much at it lately. We haven't time, but if it were necessary we could make a good thing at it yet. On the twelfth of July, or when we want a holiday, we take a turn at it and make a few dollars. Seven of my boys have often caught 1,600 frogs in one day, but 300 or 400 makes a good day's pay. Anyway we made the \$3,500 we paid for the farm out of frogs' legs."

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20 imported and home-bred cows and heifers. All of the most approved Scotch breeding.
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