

GOSSIP.

FINAL CALL FOR THE THISTLE HA' SALE.

Little need be added to what has appeared in these columns regarding the great herd of Scotch Shorthorns belonging to the estate of the late Mr. John Miller, to be dispersed by auction on January 18th, at the home farm, Thistle Ha', near Claremont Station, C. P. R., together with three Clydesdale stallions (two imported) and seven mares (three imported). Reference was made in a general way in our last issue to the grand Cruickshank Lavender bull (imported) Langford Eclipse (83848), at the head of the herd, but much might be added without overstating his individual merit and his breeding. He is a rich roan, and will be just nine days under three years old at the sale. He is low set, massive, wealthily fleshed, has a model head, neck and shoulders, remarkably well sprung and deep ribs, full crops, level lower and top lines, long, level quarters, full thighs and twist, and stands well on a good set of legs and feet. It is just a question whether there is a better all round show bull in Canada to-day, and his breeding could not be better, his sire, Count Vallant, bred by Mr. Duthie, being himself a grand bull, sired by the Victoria bull Count Arthur, and his dam, bred by Mr. Deane Willis, was by Wiltshire Victor, by Count Victor, by Count Lavender, winner of 52 first prizes and championships in Great Britain. Immediately back of these on the Lavender foundation are Duthie and Cruickshank-bred bulls of first-class character, and Langford Eclipse has proven himself a successful sire, as his calves will show. This bull will doubtless be keenly competed for, and the fact that most of the females in the sale have been bred to him, or have calves at foot by him, will add greatly to their value. The younger bulls in the sale, of which there are ten, most of them from 12 to 16 months old, are by imported Royal Prince, a Golden Drop bull that has shown himself an exceptionally good sire, and some of the younger ones by Langford Eclipse. They are a strong, fleshy, useful lot, and bred from good dams of the best breeding, representing such families as Marr Princess Royal, Missle and Emma, the Sittv-ton Secret, Brawith Bud, Nonpareil and other excellent sorts.

The imported Clydesdale stallions, Border Duke, a bay six-year-old, bred by Lord Polwarth, sired by a son of Prince of Wales, and the brown four-year-old Pedestrian, by a son of Baron's Pride, are of first-class rank, while the home-bred three-year-old is an excellent horse, and the imported mares are of choice quality.—See page 39 (ad.).

LAST CALL FOR THE PINE GROVE SALE.

Thursday, January 19th, is the date of the great sale of Scotch Shorthorn bulls and females and Shropshire ewes from the Pine Grove herd and flock of Hon. W. C. Edwards & Co., at Rockland, C. P. R. and C. A. R., near Ottawa. The series of three important events slated for three days in succession, namely, the annual meeting of the Shorthorn Breeders' Association, at Toronto, on January 17th, where important questions are to be decided; the dispersion sale on January 18th of the entire herd of Shorthorns and stud of Clydesdales of the estate of the late John Miller, of Thistle Ha' Stock Farm, at Brougham, near Claremont Station, C. P. R., 25 miles east of Toronto, and on Thursday, January 19th, the Pine Grove Sale of 23 young bulls and 26 young cows just the same total number as in the Miller sale, should attract breeders and farmers from far and near.

Reference was made in the last two issues of the Advocate to a few of the grand lot of young bulls in this sale, richly-bred and of high-class individual merit. The females, 14 young cows and heifers, bred to imported bulls, and a dozen yearling heifers, and helper calves, about a year old, are fully equal to the bulls in type and quality as well as in breeding. They are representatives of such popular families as the following:—Missle, Brawith Bud, Clipper, Minn, Killbuck Beauty, Bruce Rosewood, Roan Bessie, Syme, Bellona, Lovely, etc., while nearly one-third are imported, and most of the younger ones sired by the great imported herd bulls, Marquis of Zenda and Village Champion, and from imported dams. These yearling heifers and helper calves are especially worthy of attention, being an exceedingly good lot, massive and mossy-coated, low set, smooth and full of quality. Prominent among these is No. 3, Pine Grove Millred 6th, a twin Kinellar Mina, a roan 16 months heifer, by Marquis of Zenda. She is deep-ribbed, soggy, smoothly-turned, and of true type. Aberdeen Missle 2nd, 13 months o.d., a red, by Village Champion, is much of the same stamp. Bessie of Pine Grove 2nd, a roan 11 months' heifer, by Marquis of Zenda, is of the good "Syme" sort, with capital crosses, and is deep-bodied, furry-coated and full of quality. Ruby of Pine Grove 5th, Brawith Bud, from imported sire and dam, is a 15 months heifer of lots of substance and capital character. Her full sister, Ruby 4th, is a roan two-year-old heifer of the best type—strong backed, thick fleshed and full of quality. Pine Grove Clipper 2nd is a right good young cow of the Cruickshank Clipper tribe, with every sire in her pedigree a strong one. Most of those not mentioned are equally meritorious in breeding and quality, and the whole offering is such as will be sure to please those who avail themselves of the opportunity of seeing and buying. The Shropshire ewes to be sold are a very useful lot, a fair average

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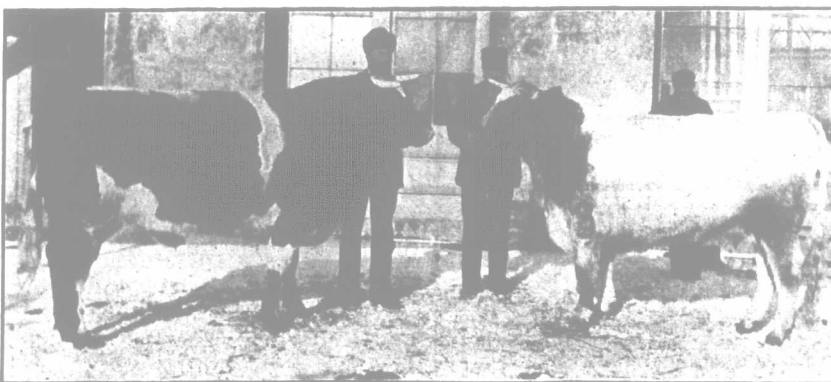
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THE SPICE OF LIFE.

A man driving in the country lost a nut off his wagon wheel. Meeting an Italian, he asked if he had a monkey wrench. The indignant Italian replied, "Me no keep a monkey ranch; me keep a sheep ranch."

The husband who says: "Now I've got her," and ceases to try to please—or the wife who acts in the same spirit—is on the way to matrimonial disaster. Whether or not the marriage was made in Heaven, it's got to be lived on earth. Nor are the laws of human nature suspended for the benefit of the married.

An Ohio young woman read at her graduation an essay on Hawthorne. The young woman said: "At the age of 39 Hawthorne married and took his wife to the old manse." The day after the commencement one of the village maidens called on Miss E— and remarked: "Wasn't it mean that Maud should say such a thing in her essay?" "To what do you refer?" "Why, she said at the age of 39 Hawthorne married and took his wife to the old man's. Why didn't she say to his father-in-law's?"

Admiral Dewey's peace of mind has been greatly disturbed lately by "sight-seeing automobiles," each carrying thirty or forty people, which stop in front of his home three times a day, in the effort to get a glimpse of the Admiral or Mrs. Dewey. Even more annoying than the stare of forty pairs of eyes is the witticism of the guide, who shouts through the megaphone in a voice that can be heard a block away:

"The red house to your right—given by the American people to Admiral Dewey, who destroyed the Spanish fleet in Manila Bay, and came to Washington to be captured by a lone woman."

A prominent Missourian in Washington is fond of telling anecdotes about James Stephen Green, once a Senator from Missouri, and the leader in the aggressive war made on Benton by the slavery advocates in antebellum Missouri. The one he enjoys the most and considers the best of all, illustrates Green's ready wit.

"One Sunday, shortly after Green's arrival in Washington, he was asked by a friend of his to attend services at an Episcopal church near by. Green had never attended a service characterized by much formalism, so he was naturally deeply impressed. After he had returned, an acquaintance asked him, 'Senator, what did you think of the service?' 'Well, sir,' Green replied, 'it struck me that there was altogether too much reading of the journal, and not enough debate.'"

Mr. John G. Carlisle tells of a case that many years ago he was called upon to try before a justice of the peace in the mountains of Kentucky.

This justice of the peace was also a blacksmith. He came into court from his smithy, and, retaining his leather apron, mounted the bench with all possible solemnity of manner. The worthy man was very officious in his manner, trying hard to imitate the legal dignitaries he had seen in the surrounding districts. It was plainly to be seen, says Mr. Carlisle, that the good man had determined that in the presence of a "city" lawyer from Louisville, it behooved him, the justice, to assume a judicial air that would be doubly impressive. The case under trial was that in which suit was brought for the payment of feed furnished certain horses. Mr. Carlisle represented the defendant, and the defence made was that the bill had been paid. When argument had been had, the justice delivered himself of the following:

"The court is very familiar with this case. The court has listened to what the witnesses have got to say, and the talk of the lawyers. The court will not decide the case just now. It reserves its opinion. The case goes under advisement for three days, and the court will then decide the case in favor of the plaintiff."

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