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**South America Still Buying.**

The Argentine stockraisers are still buying up British herds and flocks. The Prince of Wales' Shorthorn bull, Celt, as already recorded in the ADVOCATE, went at 1,000 guineas; the Queen's yearling bull, Marmion, for 300 guineas; Mr. Harrison's Champion Cup and a lot of others at about 100 guineas each. At the Sandringham sale about eight were sold for South America at not far from £100 each. Mr. McClellan giving 430 guineas for three of them; Mr. Basio, 105 for another, and so on. The South American demand for Lincoln sheep is equally rapacious, a single buyer taking 40 from one flock and 40 from another. Mr. Dudding has been selling about 100 rams annually to Argentina. Aberdeen Angus and Hereford cattle are also going in that direction.

**GOSSIP.**

**MR. H. E. WILLIAMS' JERSEYS.**  
A visit at Mr. Williams' farm found everything in flourishing shape—the stock in capital form, the grain and hoe crops promising a heavy yield, and the pastures luxuriant. Mr. Williams expressed himself as well satisfied with his year's sales, he having made, just before our call, sales to Lac La Pêche, E. C., New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and several in the Province of Quebec. Baron Hugo of St. Ann's heads the herd—winner of first at London and Ottawa and second at Toronto in 1893. He was purchased from Mr. Reburn, of St. Ann's, and is by the grand stock bull Hebe's Victor Hugo. Several ewes in this herd, we were told, have tested, by Babcock test, as high as eight and nine per cent. butter fat, which certainly speaks well for them. Mr. Williams has young stock of all ages in capital form, and is prepared to deal with the public at prices which must sell.

The following tabulated statement shows the numbers of live stock for food purposes, with the quantities of fresh meat, imported into Great Britain during the week ended July 25th, and also those from the commencement of the year 1896, together with the corresponding periods in the preceding year:—

IMPORTS.	Week ended July 25th.	Corresponding week in 1895.	Total for thirty weeks.	
			1896	1895
Cattle (oxen, bulls, cows, and calves), number....	12,165	8,189	339,364	212,979
Sheep and lambs, number.....	11,719	16,681	492,378	500,223
Pigs, number.....	.....	.....	1	189
Fresh beef, cwt.....	43,643	48,152	1,422,734	1,221,751
Fresh mutton cwt.....	31,633	34,809	1,724,023	1,500,580
Fresh pork, cwt.....	2,426	2,637	123,415	135,184
Fresh rabbits, cwt....	3,147	742	66,224	44,734

**THE MAPLE CLIFF STOCK FARM.**

Adjoining the village of Compton, in one of the finest agricultural and grazing sections of Quebec, is Maple Cliff Stock Farm, recently purchased by Robert Robertson, a leading breeder of the famous Ayrshires. Maple Cliff Farm consists of some 325 acres, and is admirably adapted to stock breeding and dairy purposes, having the finest hillside pastures and a large acreage of rich bottomland, which at the time of our visit was covered with luxuriant grasses, while an abundant supply of good water, both at the barns and in the pastures, impressed us with the thought that Mr. Robertson had made a happy selection of a home for his noted herd of Ayrshires. Mr. Robertson was previously located at Howick, Que., but believing that the above farm was better adapted to his plans, and afforded more room to enlarge his stock, Maple Cliff was purchased, and the fine herd of Ayrshires, consisting of over 40 head, removed thereto. As is well known, selections from this herd have been exceedingly successful in the leading show-rings in the past, and we expect to hear even better accounts of them in the future. In looking over the herd, many remarkably fine animals were noticed, while the whole herd is noteworthy for their uniformity, general good quality, and heavy milking propensities. Among them may be seen such choice ones as Nancy, the dam of the Chicago sweepstakes bull, Tom Brown. Nancy is a typical cow and a wonderful performer; she is due to calve this fall to the grand young bull, Matchless Jessie, Eva, and Budd, are cows of exceptional merit, and all first winners at Chicago's great Exposition. Silver Maid is a decidedly choice two-year-old, and a winner as yearling at Sherbrooke, as best female any age, in strong competition. Lady Maggie, Beauty of Burnside, and others are specially noteworthy for their grand quality and wonderful utility at the pail. A large proportion of the herd, Mr. Robertson informed us, average from 45 lbs. to 50 lbs. of milk per day when in full flow, testing 4 and 4½ per cent. butter-fat; some in the herd, of course, doing much better. The yearling bull, Matchless, out of the famous cow, Nellie Osborne, and sired by the grand stock bull, Glencairn, owned by Mr. Robt. Reford, St. Ann's, Que., heads the Maple Cliff herd—a grand young bull in every respect, and promising at present to mature into one of the finest stock bulls of the country. He was a winner last year as a calf, and no doubt as a yearling will carry the same honor. A choice bull calf and a number of very fine heifers are now offered for sale, by the grand bulls, Lockerby Chief and Derby Tom, and from choice cows. This will afford a good opportunity for parties wishing a good strain of blood at reasonable prices. Parties wishing to correspond with Mr. Robertson should note his advertisement and change of address.

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