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Don't Miss the Ottawa Winter Fair

Farmers in eastern Ontario will look forward with interest to the Live Stock and Poultry Show to be held at Ottawa March 7th to 10th. The prize list is arranged to encourage exhibits of those classes of stock most valuable to the majority of farmers as money makers. This being the case the exhibits will be illustrative of qualities that farmers would wish to reproduce in their own stock. Visitors are permitted to handle animals on exhibition and examine individuals as carefully as they may choose. When prizes are being awarded the judge gives his reasons for placing the animals as he does. He refers in the course of his remarks to the strong and weak points of each and in balancing these points shows their relative importance to both the feeder and consumer. A still more minute study of individual excellence can be made by a careful study of the different live animals entered for the block test and afterwards comparing the dressed carcasses of the same animals. In this way the farmer gets a more definite idea of what the butcher requires to supply the demands of his trade. Both live animals and dressed animals are used in the lecture room to illustrate the points brought out in the speakers' remarks.

Stallions for Canada

Several well-bred stallions have recently been sold for exportation to Canada. Messrs. Bawden & MacDonell, Exeter, Ontario, who have been regular shippers for some years, have purchased from Mr. Wm. Taylor, Park Mains, Renfrew, the good breeding horse Maccaric (10590), a son of the Highland Society winner, MacEachran, out of the celebrated prize-winning mare Fuchsia, which was also a Highland winner, got by Williamwood, and tracing back to the famous Barlee Doll. Maccaric has left a lot of fine geldings and some capital fillies throughout Perthshire. He is very fresh and active, and of a splendid cart horse type. From Mr. James Kilpatrick, Craigie Mains, Kilmarnock, the same firm have bought the fresh young horse Knockinlaw, a three-year-old bred by Mr. R. Forrest, Knockinlaw, Kilmarnock, and Sparnellbank, a four-year-old bred by Mr. Wm. Maxwell, Sparnellbank, Galston. The former is by the famous Lord Dunderald, out of a mare by the Darnley horse Height of Solander, while the latter is by Prince Shapely, out of a St. Blaise mare. They are both nicely turned horses, with fine quality of bone and correct action. To Mr. Colin McKeigan, Strathroy, Ontario, Mr. Peter Crawford,

Dargavel, Dumfries, has sold the handsome big bay horse Lephenstrath (11090). He was bred by Mr. Archibald Mackay, Lephenstrath, Campbellton, and got by Gay Everard, out of an Old Times mare. Amongst his progeny is Mr. Scarlett's magnificent filly which won the yearling class at Campbellton, and subsequently won the championship at Gigha last year. She is one of the best of her age, and if Lephenstrath leaves many of her class, we can ill afford to lose him in this country. In addition to the above horses, Mr. Walter S. Park, Hutton, Bishopston, has parted with Melroy II., bred by Mr. James Reid, Tognore, Ballindalloch, and got by Gay Everard, out of a Top Knot mare. He goes to Mr. George Martin, Exeter, Ontario. We trust the lot may land in safety.—Scottish Farmer.

Territorial Fat Stock Shows

The Territorial Department of Agriculture and the Canadian Sheep and Swine Breeders' Associations have arranged for two spring fat stock shows, the first to be held at Regina on April 4-7, and the second on May 15-19 at Calgary.

Central Canadian Veterinary Association

The third annual meeting of the Central Canada Veterinary Association was held at Ottawa, Feb. 8-9. The president in a brief address outlined the efforts being made to have the profession organized throughout Ontario, that legislation might be obtained. Through the increased value of live stock the profession, he said, offered brighter prospects for those engaged in its practice than had been the case for many years. The movement on foot toward the establishment of municipal abattoirs would require the services of veterinarians as inspectors, and this would prove beneficial to the profession.

Instructive and interesting papers on professional subjects were presented by Drs. W. C. Young, of Almonte, Dr. C. H. Higgins, of Ottawa, and Dr. A. E. James.

Veterinary Major Massie, of Kingston, presented an interesting paper on "Horse Shoeing." He advocated the establishment of a school of farriery either in connection with the Dairy School at Kingston or the Agricultural College at Guelph, or even in connection with both institutions. In the discussion of this paper the author pointed out that there was a marked distinction to be drawn between the horseshoer and the blacksmith.

Dr. C. W. J. Howarth, of Eganville, gave an interesting account of a case that had come under his notice of a horse that had swallowed an ordinary sack needle. This produced an abscess in the flank region, which yielded to treatment. Ten months later he was called to the same animal and found an abscess in about the same region. This time on making an incision an object was found which proved to be a needle, and the owner remembered of the disappearance of same just prior to the appearance of the first abscess.

Many members were interested in the subject of milk fever, and the subject was freely discussed, it being the opinion of the majority present that the "Oxygen Treatment" was the only method that deserved consideration by the practitioner who had at heart his own interests and those of his client.

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