



Horse Breeding for Profit.

Every business seems to have its times of prosperity and its times of adversity. For a number of years Canadian horses met with a ready sale at good prices, and then all at once came a period during which even the best were scarcely saleable, and inferior stock could hardly be given away. This state of things was due largely to over production, the indiscriminate breeding of unsuitable animals, and the substitution of electric for horse power on street cars. The result was that the majority of farmers have given up the breeding of horses, and many of those who continued in the business became careless in regard to the sort of sires they used. The importation of high-class stallions almost ceased and the trade became generally demoralized. During the past two or three years business has been gradually reviving. The scarcity of good horses, due to the cessation in breeding, caused a rise in prices, and the requirements of the army in South Africa increased the demand. While this increased demand has affected all classes of horses to a certain extent there are some classes that are much more profitable than others for breeders to raise. The first question for the breeder to decide is what sort of horse will bring him in the best returns. Success in the breeding of live stock must be measured by the actual value of the products and the profits that may be derived therefrom.

The draft horse is undoubtedly the most profitable sort that the farmer can breed. Good heavy horses weighing from 1,500 upwards, and of good quality, are likely to meet with ready sale for some time to come. By breeding a good mare to a heavy Clydesdale or Shire stallion a farmer is reasonably sure of securing a colt that at five years old will bring him not less than \$125.00. Besides this there is less risk of a heavy colt getting blemished. A blemished colt of the lighter breeds cannot be sold except at a sacrifice whereas on a horse employed at slow work, such as teaming, a blemish is not such a disadvantage. Moreover if the blemish is pronounced, the farmer will still have a good useful animal for his own farm work, and in the case of a mare, he can profitably use her for breeding if the defect is not hereditary. The active, upstanding, Clydesdale type,

such as is found in the Highlands of Scotland, is, in my opinion, the most suitable horse for the general farmer to raise. These horses are tractable and easily broken and while awaiting sale can be readily used for any sort of farm work, thus paying for their keep, which the fancy horses rarely do.

Carriage and saddle horses of the best type will always sell for good prices both in the United States and Great Britain. We often hear of the high prices paid for a fine carriage team or a hunter, but of course the farmer does not get prices like these. They are only got after weeks and perhaps months of training and fitting in the hands of dealers. The farmer seldom has the time and the necessary knowledge of training and "fixing up," to produce the finished article. Still the dealer, as a rule, pays the breeder a fair price, and so long as he does it, it will pay to raise such horses. The best carriage horses are sired by Thoroughbred, Hackney and occasionally Coach and Standard-bred Stallions. The Thoroughbred produces the best style of carriage horses when the mares have sufficient size and good quality.

Military horses have lately been very much in demand, but there is some doubt as to the permanency of this market, at prices which will prove profitable to the producers. Formerly there were only two classes of horses purchased by Great Britain for military purposes, viz.—those for cavalry and those for artillery. Now however, there is a third class for mounted infantry. This is the lightest class of the three, the animals ranging in height from 14.1 hands to 15.1 hands. Cavalry horses must measure from 15.1½ hands to 15.3½ hands, and artillery horses from 15.2 to 16 hands. Major Dent, who has purchased most of the Canadian horses for South Africa gives the following description of the necessary qualifications:—"The stamp of horse required for artillery purposes is a blocky sort of horse with as much breeding and bone as possible. The cavalry horse is of a lighter type with good shoulders, loin and neck. The mounted infantry cobs are miniature horses. The best stamp I have come across is the French Canadian, the only fault in their case being often a shortness of rein, (neck). The type of horses, for whatever branch of the service required, should be that of the English hunter, with short legs, short cannon bone, good shoulders, backrib and loins, and the more breeding combined with strength the better. What I think are most needed to produce this type are good thoroughbred sires, not over 16 hands, compact horses with plenty of bone and action."

It is highly desirable that none but the best class of registered stallions be used. There are far too many inferior horses in the country now and if our farmers breed to grade or cheap purebred stallions no improvement will be possible. The big, sound, active Clydesdale will probably give the best results on heavy mares and the Thoroughbred on good strong mares of the lighter sort. Mares with considerable warm blood are most desirable for breeding to a Hackney or Coach Stallion.

Finally it is of the greatest importance that the foal shall be well fed, as the best of breeding will avail little, if the young animal is allowed to suffer for lack of proper feed and care. Good breeding and good feeding must go hand-in-hand if a success is to be made of the business of horse breeding.

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A Delicate Position.

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(Eugene Field.)

Once—it was many years ago,
In early wedded life,
Ere yet my loved one had become
A very knowing wife—
She came home and said: "My dear
I think (and do not you?)
That we should have about the house
A doctor's book or two."

"Our little ones have sundry ills
Which I should understand
And cure, myself, if I but had
A doctor's book at hand.
Why not economize, my dear,
In point of doctor's bills,
By purchasing the means to treat
Our little household ills?"

Dear, honest, patient little wife!
She did not even guess
She offered me the very prize
I hankered to possess!
"You argue wisely, wife," quoth I;
"Proceed without delay
To find and comprehend the works
Of Doctor Rabelais!"

I wrote the title out for her
(She'd never heard the name!)
And presently she bought those books
And home she lugged the same:
I clearly read this taunting boast
On her triumphant brow:
"Aha, ye venal doctors all,
Ye are outwitted now!"

Those volumes stood upon the shelf
A month or two unread,
Save as such times by night I conned
Their precious wit in bed;
But once—it was a wintery time—
I heard my loved one say:
"This child is crummy; I'll consult
My Doctor Rabelais!"

Too soon from her delusive dream
My beautiful bride awoke!
Too soon she grasped the fullness of
My bibliomaniac joke!
Then came a sudden, shocking change,
As you may well suppose,
And with her reprehensive voice
The temperature arose!

But that was many years ago,
In early wedded life,
And that dear lady has become
A very knowing wife;
For she has learned from Rabelais
What elsewhere is agreed:
The plague of bibliomania is
A cureless ill indeed.

And still at night when all the rest
Are hushed in sweet repose,
O'er those two interdicted tomes
I laugh and nod and doze.
From worldly ills and business cares
My weary mind is lured,
And by that doctor's magic art
My ailments all are cured.

So my dear, knowing little wife
Is glad that it is so,
And with a smile recalls the trick
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Compel me to their sway,
The saucy girl bids me consult
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