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Southdown Sheep—Jesse K. Cope.
Scotch Collies—Glencoe Collie Kennels.
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Farm for Sale—D. W. Daugherty.
Poland-Chinas—W. L. Rhinehart.
Seeds—A. W. Livingston's Sons.
Seeds—D. M. Ferry & Co.
Fencing—Sedgwick Bros.
Seeds—The Storrs & Harrison Co.
Egg Food—Poultry Medicine Co.
Wyandottes—W. S. Orr.
Plymouth Rocks—Thos. McEwen.
English Bull Pup—J. H. Mendenhall.
Shorthorns, Merinoes, Etc—John S. Goe.
Tile and Brick Machine—Frey, Sheckler & Hoover.
Percheron and Clydesdales—Paul H. Hacke.
Road Carts—S. Toomey & Co.
Devons—J. E. & L. P. Sisson & Son.
Devons—J. H. Magee.
Guernseys and Jerseys—A. M. Carr.
Jerseys—Mrs. M. E. Stranch.
Poland-Chinas—A. L. Curtis.
Seeds—Frank Ford & Sons.
Ayrshires—James Rankin.
Implements and Seeds—James M. Kirk.

EDITORIAL BRIEFS.

—Dr. Fay, Apple Creek, O., changes his poultry advertisement this week.

—A good deal of matter intended for this paper, arriving late, is necessarily held over.

—A. L. Curtis, Little Hocking, O., announces some Poland-China sows for sale. See his card in the list of new advertisements.

—A. M. Carr, Salem, O., calls the attention of dairymen to the fact that he has several Guernsey and Jersey bulls for sale at low prices.

—D. W. Daugherty changes the form of his card. He occupies his space in announcing a good farm for sale. Read about it and write him for particulars.

—W. L. Rhinehart, Wintersville, O., writes us that he has sold so many of his Poland-Chinas that he must reduce his card to the form in which it appears this week.

—We would call the attention of our readers to the card of Jones & Dowst, 195 Washington street, Chicago, Ill. They send out whip-racks at a price within the reach of all.

—Frank Ford & Sons, Ravenna, O., announce their catalogue of seeds in this issue. It describes a great number of new and useful varieties of plants, potatoes, etc. Send for it.

—J. H. Magee, Porterville, Pa., is a breeder of Devon cattle and has a few bulls and calves for sale. They are registered or eligible, and will be sold low. Write him for particulars.

—J. A. Knupp, Shackleton, O., appears this week with an advertisement of Mammoth Bronze turkeys. His stock is said to be large and fine, and he will guarantee all birds sent out to be as represented.

—John S. Goe, Brownsville, Pa., is with us again. He breeds registered Shorthorn cattle, and American Merino sheep. He is a successful breeder and will be pleased to supply good animals to those needing them.

—James Rankin, Bulger, Pa., breeds Ayrshires and likes them because of their many good qualities. He has two registered bulls for sale now. His location on the Pan-Handle railroad gives him excellent shipping facilities. Write to him for prices.

—As noted last week S. E. Gillett, Ravenna, O., has sold nearly all his surplus stock of Poland-Chinas, and reduces his card to four lines. He still has some Jerseys. It is our loss that THE STOCKMAN is so good an advertising medium, but we are glad it is gain to others.

The *New England Farmer* celebrates the completion of its 65th volume, and of the management of Geo. M. Whitaker, by an enlargement of its borders so as to give yet more reading. It also appears in eight page form, pasted and trimmed. It is an excellent journal.

—Thos. McEwen, McConnell's Mills, Pa., is a breeder of Plymouth Rocks that can be depended on. He has bred the Rocks for years, improving his stock with each season. He has been a successful exhibitor at late shows and has excellent stock. He offers a few pullets and hens for sale now. See his card.

—The annual adjourned business meeting of the Pennsylvania Association of Trotting Horse Breeders' will be held on January 12, at the 7th Avenue Hotel, Pittsburgh, Pa., at 2 o'clock p. m. A full attendance is requested as business of importance is to be transacted. A. W. HARBISON,

New Castle, Pa., Jan. 3, '87. Sec'y.

—Our readers who expect to purchase seeds and bulbs for use the coming season, will not overlook the card of A.W. Livingston's Sons, Columbus, O. Their handsome seed annual is now ready for distribution to applicants, and orders for seeds, bulbs, tools, etc., should be booked early so as to avoid delay at the time they are needed.

—Mrs. M. E. Strauch, College Hill, O., offers some choice Jersey cows, bulls, heifers and calves. These cattle are from registered stock, but are mostly unregistered, except the bulls. Mrs. Strauch is the widow of the late Adolph Strauch, for many years Superintendent of Spring Grove Cemetery, near Cincinnati. She has made a success in handling Jerseys and now has a few to spare.

—Frey, Sheckler & Hoover, Bucyrus, Ohio, come before our readers this week with an advertisement of their new tile machine. This is a machine so complete in its appointments, yet so simple in its construction, and operation that it is bound to give satisfaction. For the manufacture of drain tile it is said to be unequaled. Such a machine can be made useful as well as profitable in every neighborhood.

—The handsome advertisement of D. M. Ferry & Co., Detroit, Mich., may be found among our new cards this week. This firm does a very extensive business all over the United States. To get a better idea of their affairs just drop them a postal card requesting their Seed Annual for 1887. It cannot fail to please you, and if your local seedsman does not keep their seeds on sale you can order direct from the firm.

—The Poultry Medicine Company, Kinsey, O., advertise their Chicken Cholera Cure and Egg Food recipes in this issue. We have never tried either of these medicines and know nothing personally about them except that the card is sent us under strong endorsement by E. D. Hyre, formerly editor and proprietor of the Ohio *Poultry Journal*, and now publisher of the *Farm and Dairy*. This we consider an excellent recommendation, so unhesitatingly put it before our readers.

—W. Atlee Burpee & Co., Philadelphia, Pa., do an immense business in supplying their customers all over the country with flower seeds, farm seeds, garden seeds and thoroughbred live stock. Their new Farm Annual for 1887 is now ready, giving full particulars of their specialties. Every household should have it for the valuable information it contains. It costs but a cent to buy a postal card. Write a request for it, and the Annual will be sent by return mail.

—Two weeks ago we were compelled to drop the card of an alleged Chester county firm because we were not able to endorse their method of doing business; but we insert one this week from that county that we can unequivocally recommend. We refer to the card of Jesse K. Cope, West Chester, Pa., who is a well-known and reliable breeder of pure-bred Southdown sheep. For years he has been a breeder and exhibitor and with great success. Write him for the particulars of the specimens of this fine mutton breed that he has for sale.

—The annual meeting of the Pennsylvania State Board of Agriculture will be held in the Supreme Court Room, Harrisburg, Pa., January 26 and 27. An interesting programme of exercises includes papers by M. W. Oliver, Conneautville, S. B. Heiges, Camp Hill, E. Satterthwaite, Jenkintown, J. K. Murray, Pottsgrove, H. B. Warren, West Chester, R. S. Searle, Montrose, H. M. Wise, Harmony, James Calder, Harrisburg, R. S. Huidekoper, West Philadelphia, John I. Carter, Chatham, J. C. Thornton, Avonia, W. P. Hazard, West Chester, John W. Hickman, Russellville, and Secretary Edge, Harrisburg.

—The advertisement of the old reliable establishment, The Storrs & Harrison Co., Painesville, O., appears in this issue, offering flower and vegetable seeds, roses, plants, grape vines, fruit and ornamental trees. They are running one of the most complete nurseries in the world, and issue a large, attractive catalogue which they will mail you free, on application. They have no traveling agents, and are only responsible for orders sent direct. Give them a trial and save dealers' commissions. They guarantee satisfaction. Their handsome catalogue for 1887 is on our table, and we advise our readers to send for a copy at once.

—The Glencoe Collie Kennels, East Bethlehem, Washington county, Pa., are represented by a neat card, setting forth the fact that some fine Scotch Collies of excellent breeding are for sale now. The celebrated English Bob-Tailed Sheep Dogs are also bred in these kennels. They are not so handsome as the Collies, but for every-day hard work the year round are said by shepherds and drovers to have no equals. Those wishing more information concerning either breed should send for the handsome catalogue that will be sent to all applicants. It will pay all interested in fine dogs to do so, whether wishing to purchase now or not.

—The American Devon Cattle Club office is located for the present in Zanesville, Ohio, and is in charge of Secretary Frank W. Reed. The club is fortunate in having secured the services of an efficient and obliging gentleman for their Secretary. On December 10, 1886, James Buckingham made a formal transfer of all the property of the Record to the Devon Club, who will henceforth have charge of the Devon Record. A contract is already made for the publication of Vol. IV, and the work will proceed rapidly. The Club has established a monthly *Bulletin*, published at Zanesville, the first number of which (January) is before us, and which promises to be of decided use to the Devon interest. These are days of Devon progress.

—Many of our readers know the genial, energetic, whole-souled James M. Kirk, of implement, seed and Shorthorn fame, the "Co." of R. K. Giffen & Co., Wheeling, W. Va. Mr. Kirk has just bought out his excellent partner, Mr. Giffen, and from January 1, 1887, runs the great Wheeling house as sole proprietor and in his own name. Mr. K. is one of those men whom it is a pleasure to recommend to the business public, and we do not feel that any statement which we can make, after years of intimate acquaintance, is too strong, in praise of his character as a business man. Personally we could take his guaranty as a positive assurance. In this number of THE STOCKMAN he advertises a variety of seeds, oil meal, etc., and we bespeak for him the consideration of every reader interested in these things.

—The firm of J. E. & L. P. Sisson & Son, is well known in Western Pennsylvania and West Virginia as one that has made a specialty of breeding the finest of Devon cattle—not little trifling things but good sized cattle, the cows fine and profitable milkers, and both sexes carrying a large quantity of beef in the right places. They have been winners of coveted prizes for years at the West Virginia State Fair, and their cattle are well known to those who have been in attendance there. They have been breeding up their stock and are now ready to spare a few animals. Not being able to breed their Sweepstake bull Wheeling in their own herd, and having secured another to take his place, they offer him for sale. Write for particulars concerning these fine cattle or the Wyandotte fowls bred by the same firm.

—Our readers are familiar with the cards of Sedgwick Brothers, Richmond, Ind. They have been with us during the year past and are now booked for the entire year 1887. Not only are Sedgwick Bros. energetic and judicious advertisers, but, better than that, they manufacture an article that recommends itself to the discriminating purchaser. Their fence is not only a thing of beauty and durability, but it is also an article that gives the purchaser satisfaction. While made of wire it has no barbs to torture fine stock and perhaps destroy valuable lives. For the poultry yard it is both handsome and durable, while for the town and city lawn it is unsurpassed in point of elegance and economy. If your dealer does not supply it in large or small quantities, send at once to the manufacturers for full particulars.

—Our readers will remember the card of J. Howard Mendenhall, Howellville, Delaware county, Pa., that appeared in our paper a short time since. At that time Mr. Mendenhall offered Cheshire swine, and very soon disposed of his surplus stock. He now has a few more for sale, but at present makes a specialty of some fine young English Bull Dogs that he wishes to dispose of. Many imagine the Bull dog to be a vicious brute whose only place is the fighting ring. Such is not the case. If well bred, he is not only a brave defender, but a sagacious and discriminating one as well. He welcomes friends as kindly as he repels enemies vigorously. He knows a respectable gentleman from a road-agent at sight, and attends strictly to business in a business way. Those that Mr. Mendenhall offers are claimed to be of noted breeding.

—Concerning the card of W. S. Orr, which appears this week, the poultry editor of this paper wishes to say that he sold the Wyandottes referred to May 25th, '86, to Messrs. Orr & Denham. The cash price paid for the thirty-nine birds was over $8 each, making this the largest sale of Wyandottes that we have heard of. Since that time the writer has had no interest whatever in this stock. W. S. Orr is not in any way related to him; but is an intelligent and painstaking breeder, and having purchased his partner's interest in them is prepared to give the birds his entire attention. He will continue the line of breeding that has been followed for four years, and is prepared to supply customers with eggs from stock that for purity and uniformity is unsurpassed. Write Mr. Orr for circulars giving former and recent scores and prizes.

—Degen Bros., Ottawa, Ill., write us that they have sold the Percheron stallion L'Ami 5387, Percheron Stud Book of France, to Pringle & Burnizer, Cardington, O., for $3,000. This stallion attracted much attention at the Fat Stock Show in Chicago last fall, and is one of the finest horses in this country. They have also sold to Mr. Shaw, Cardington, O., the Percheron mare Victoria, for $1,000. She is likewise a fine specimen of the Percheron. They also report the sale of the 3-year-old French draft stallion Pondar 4203, winner of first prize at the Illinois State Fair, and first and special at the Fat Stock Show, to Jacob Waldemyer, Melbourne, Iowa; 3-year-old dapple grey to Sim Lee, Mendota, Ill.; a 2-year-old black stallion to Peter Higland, Utica, Ill., and a two-year-old black stallion to John Essick, Grand Ridge, Ill., all at satisfactory prices.

—Breeders of all kinds of horses will be interested in the handsome card of Paul H. Hacke, of this city, which starts this week. Mr. Hacke is well known to the horse world, being a prominent member of the National Trotting Association and a member of its Executive Board. For years he has been identified with all that has for its object the advancement of trotting interests, and his stables are immensely popular. He has on hand at all times a stock of trotting bred track and breeding horses and mares, and always knows how to fill a customer's order satisfactorily. Of late years Mr. Hacke has been giving much attention to Percheron and Clydesdale stallions and mares, and has now on hand a fine lot of young registered breeders that he selected himself in France and Scotland. These horses may be seen at his draft horse stables at Gilchrist, on the Pennsylvania railroad, between this city and Greensburg. Correspond with him. He can suit you.

—The fourth annual Farmers' Institute at Washington, Pa., was held on Tuesday and Wednesday of last week, under the auspices of the State Board of Agriculture, with the resident member of the Board, John McDowell, in charge. It was in many respects one of the best meetings of the kind ever held at that point, with a good attendance, a high degree of interest, and a large variety in the essays and addresses. A highly commendable feature of the exercises was the predominance of home talent in the programme. The five ladies who occupied Wednesday forenoon—Miss M. J. Haft, Mrs. J. Earnest Scott, Miss N. Sherrard, Miss Belle Day and Miss Lide Hart—and who acquitted themselves so well, were all residents of Washington county; and of the thirteen of the sterner sex who were listed for work, and eleven of whom delivered addresses, only three are located outside of the county. The list of speakers who filled their positions included Messrs. J. B. McBride, M. H. Borland, John Stockdale, H. J. Vankirk, John G. Clark, Prof. Linton, and R. D. Munce, of the county. W. B. Powell, of Powell Bros., Springboro, Pa., delivered a fine lecture, as also did Dr. F. J. LeMoyne, of Pittsburgh. The Washington institutes are a permanent and successful institution.

—S. Toomey & Co., Canal Dover, O., well and favorably known throughout the United States and foreign countries (where they have made frequent shipments), as builders of light sporting and track vehicles, may be found in our advertising columns. They rank second to none to-day. Their Truss Axle Sulky, which has made its way into prominence strictly on its merits and many advantages, is highly commended by prominent turfmen. During the past season they have made some very striking improvements on their sulkies, consisting of trussing the spokes and shafts, and these improvements in connection with their truss axle *surely* makes it *the* sulky that has been wanted. Their road and speed wagons are also of superior design. Their road carts and training sulkies have also gained a reputation that is wide spread, and for easy running and great wearing qualities remain unequaled. All vehicles built by this firm are made under the personal supervision and careful eye of S. Toomey, the inventor of the different trusses on their sulkies. Send to them for their circular giving full descriptions of the various trusses and other vehicles they build. This firm is noted for square and prompt dealings and all orders given them will receive prompt attention. Address all orders and communications to S. Toomey & Co., Canal Dover, Ohio.

—The statistics of failures for the year 1886 show a slight falling off compared with 1885. The number in the United States is 9 834, against 10,637 in 1885, a decrease of 803. The liabilities are $114,000,000, against $124,000,000 in 1885. Failures seem recently to have been unusually numerous, and the figures for the last quarter of 1886 show 2,746, against 2,460 in the last quarter of 1885. The liabilities were respectively $37,000,000 and $25,000,000.

HELP your neighbor in his business by enrolling his name for THE STOCKMAN. **HIM** Hosts of men have told us (and you may be one of them) that this paper is of untold benefit to any farm community in which it is circulated. Won't you help your neighbor and THE STOCKMAN at the same time? $1.50 to January 1, 1888. Your own copy free for *five new subscribers* and $7.50.