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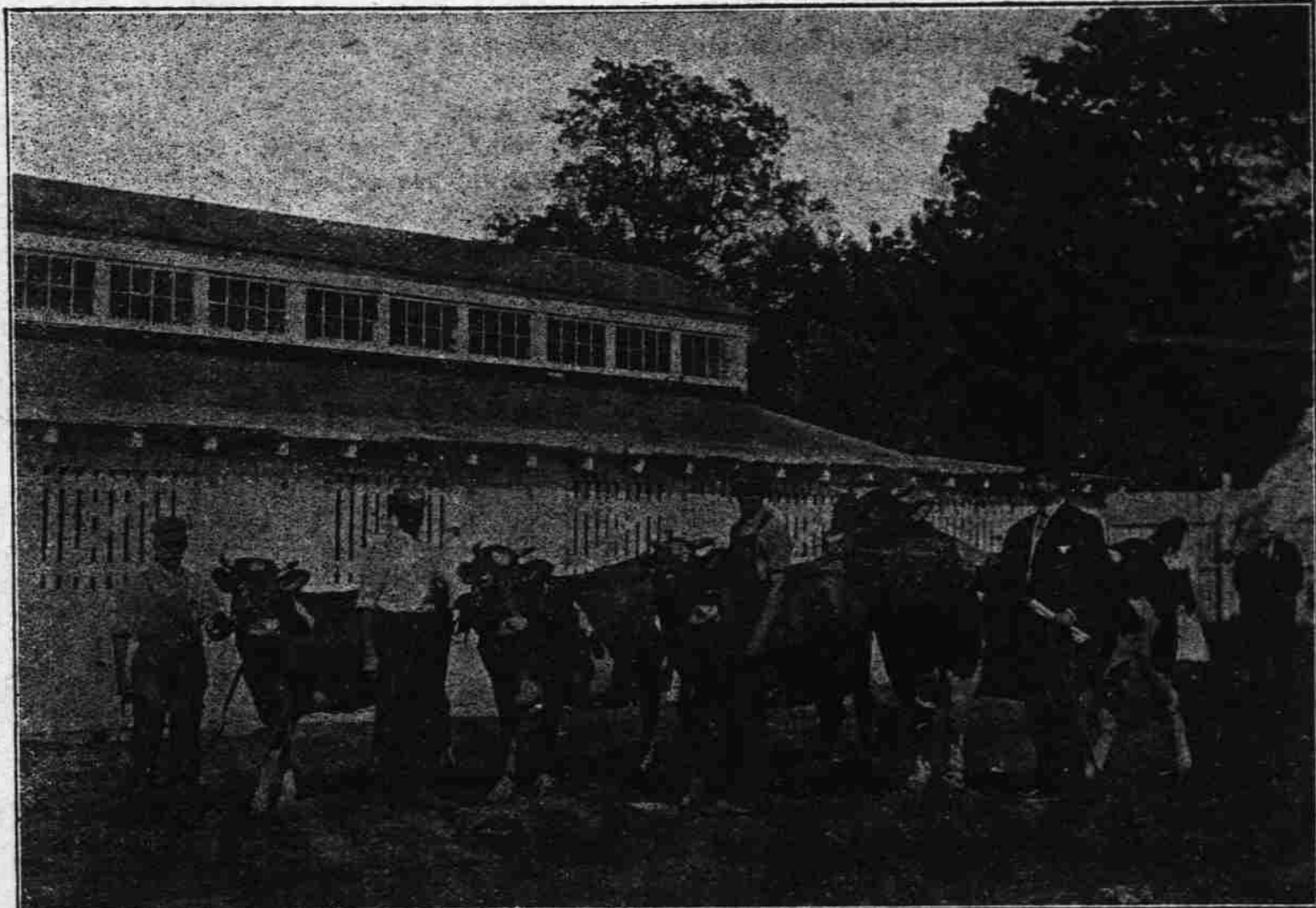
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## DIFFERENT TYPES OF CATTLE—II.

This picture, reproduced by courtesy of Modern Farming, shows the winning herd of Guernseys at the Virginia State Fair. Guernseys are first cousins to the Jerseys, having been bred on a neighboring island with the same skill and care as their better known relatives. They are just a little larger than the Jerseys, and their admirers claim a little bit hardier, though the Jersey breeders do not admit this. At any rate they are dairy cattle of the finest type.



Note the fine heads, the deep, wide bodies and the typical dairy conformation of the cows, and see how the bull, despite his splendid masculinity, shows up the same characteristics of the dairy-bred animal. Anyone might be proud to own or to have bred such animals as this—and they are not only beautiful but profitable.

## This Week's Features.

**T**HE remarkable results of the co-operative demonstration work of the United States Department of Agriculture are strikingly set forth in our second page symposium. Perhaps no other line of effort holds so much promise for the future agriculture of the South. Such reports as that of Mr. Gentry, that the increased earnings of the demonstration acres has enabled the farmers to add new barns, painted houses, improved tools, better stock, more convenient kitchen arrangements, and to educate their children; as that of Mr. Hudson, that tells of corn crops making 43 to 93 bushels to the acre; as that of Mr. Williams, that ten times as many farmers are selecting good seed, making fall preparation of the soil and sowing cover crops as before; as that of Mr. Dorin, that crops in some cases have been increased 300 per cent—such reports cannot but fire us all with higher purposes and gladden us with new zeal for greater things.

Our good crops reports continue, and grow more interesting, it seems to us, as they go on. Professor Massey's account of the greenhouse industry in Ohio is at once an indictment of, and a promise to, the gardeners of the South. Mr. Green's second telephone article shows just how cheaply a telephone system can be built, and should induce many to take advantage of the op-

portunities the 'phone offers for enjoyment and profit.

The speech of our Editor-in-Chief on "\$500 More a Year for Each Southern Farmer" is an inspiring message on a subject of vital importance. Think what \$500 more a year would mean to you personally, what \$500 a year more from the average farm would mean to your community, what it would mean to the South. And then think that it can be had. The only reason that the average South Atlantic States farm does not now produce the extra \$500 a year the North Atlantic farmer gets is that it is improperly handled. This may not be a pleasant thing to hear—it certainly is not pleasant to say—but it is the truth. Why not get this \$500 next year? The special mission of all our Progressive Farmer staff is to help Southern farmers do this. If the Yankee farmers can make \$984 a year on a 96-acre average farm, we are going to show them that we can make at least \$984 on a 108-acre average farm.

## Next Week's Menu.

**N**OTHING in next week's Progressive Farmer—our Christmas issue though it will be and throbbing with the joyous Christmas spirit—nothing else in this issue, we say, will be of half so much interest to our great Progressive Farmer Family as the announcements we shall make concerning our new staff, our new features, and our new plans for making The Progressive Farmer in 1909 the very greatest agricultural paper ever printed in the Southern States. If you

think now that this statement is made in the fire of excessive enthusiasm, you will not think so after you read our next week's announcements. We have the greatest team that ever set itself to serve the Southern farmer in this way, and if our 25,000 subscribers now in the Family will only do their part we shall have at least 25,000 more farmers in the fold before another Christmas-tide. Look out for our announcements next week.

Then, too, we shall publish in this issue the second installment of Editor Poe's speech; our "best crop" reports will be continued, with more illuminating comments by Professor Massey; Mr. French will write on "Profitable Jobs for Idle Days in Winter"; there will be some good advice about setting the incubators and enough general Christmas articles to give something of the holiday charm to the entire contents of the issue.

## A Thought for the Week.

**H**ERE is a time in every man's education when he arrives at the conviction that envy is ignorance; that imitation is suicide; that he must take himself for better or for worse as his portion; that though the wide universe is full of good, no kernel of nourishing corn can come to him but through his toil bestowed on that plot of ground which is given to him to till.—Ralph Waldo Emerson.

Since work gives forgetfulness of self, it can be, and is, an antidote to pain of heart. The very routine and drudgery of daily work have often saved a life from despair. Adherence to duty is a way to attain some measure of peace.—Hugh Black.