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What is an Oxfordshire Down Sheep?

The American Oxfordshire Down Sheep Association in its history of the origin of this breed says:

It is now somewhere over fifty years since Messrs. Druce of Eynsham, Gillett of Southleigh, Blake of Stanton Harcourt, and Twynham of Hampshire, undertook the construction of a new breed of sheep, that should in great measure possess the weight of the Longwool with the quality of the Down. Probably the advantage of such a breed was first apparent in the offspring of a cross occasionally resorted to in the case of draft ewes, but from pursuing which farmers had hitherto been deterred by the tendency of the offspring to breed back to either side; and for many years after the breed had become recognized as distinct, the want of uniform character was a source of criticism. Some slight admixture of Sussex bones, and of cheesy, albuminoid matter Down may have been introduced by to grow the muscles. A little corn may those early breeders; but we are of be given with the milk. Such pigs opinion that the Cotswold grey-faced never grow into little round dumps of ram and the Hampshire Down ewe were the chief, if not the only, material which, by judicious breeding and careful probably, a majority of our readers have which, by judicious breeding and careful selection have resulted in a class of sheep which, under suitable conditions, are must name the food for pigs under such must name the food for pigs under such circumstances. One of the best foods mentioned, both on account of size, for the pig is a small quantity of linseed-oil meal, a tablespoonful to the fifteen-oil meal meal meal means the pig grows; character, and valuable meat. The success of the early promoters of the project led many others into the field. It was not until 1850 that they were styled the Oxfordshire Down, the county of Cotton-seed meal is sometimes used, but Oxford being their stronghold; previous we cannot recommend it for young to this date they were properly regarded pigs. It is not so easily digested, and it as cross-breeds, and known as Down has not the same beneficial laxative ef-cotswolds, under which designation they feet as linseed meal, which is found to be shows. At the royal meeting at Warwic in 1857, there were thirty-seven entries; the first prize in the old class (comprising Downs) was taken by the state of the late Mr. Samuel Druce for a sheep of this

Mr. Philip Puscy, seeing the advantage these sheep were likely to confer on the public generally, as also on the flockmaster, became himself a warm supporter of the breed. At his death they lost a great patron, who, had he been spared, would have materially aided their rapid

A Remedy for Grubs in Sheep. spread and improvement.

The distribution of these flocks laid a good foundation for many others; not only did many tenant farmers give up the old breeds to make room for the im-proved sort, but the Oxfordshire sheep found favor with landed proprietors, and amongst others his Grace the Duke of Marlborough had a flock on a farm in his

own occupation at Blenheim.

As soon as the breed became established some of the most successful breeders began to exhibit their sheep at the Royal Agricultural Society's Show, and as they had no special class, were shown with short-wooled sheep and cross breeds. This unsatisfactory state of things con-tinued until 1861, when the stewards in their report stated "That the judges are of opinion that Oxfordshire Downs should not be excluded from competition at these annual shows, as they believe them to be animals possessing great merit, and worthy of baving a class to themselves."

The R. A. S. decided on a separate class, and the Oxfordshire Downs made their first appearance as a recognized breed by the great society in the Exhibition year of 1862, at Battersen, where they numbered 62 entries, and were highly speken of by the judges, who, however, objected to their want of unifor

It was a proud day for this flourishing breed of sheep, when, at the Smithfield Club show in 1872, his Grace the Duke of Marlborough took the champion prize with his splendid wethers, as the best pen of sheep in any of the classes; Mr. John Treadwell's ewes being amongst the three last pens left by the judge for selection. We now shortly describe the char-acteristics of a good type of Oxfordshire. "A real Oxford Down should have a

nice, dark-brown face (not black), the poll well covered with wool, adorned with a top-knot on the forehead; a good fleece of wool thick on the skin, not too curly; a well-formed barrel on short, dark brown legs (not grey or spotted); with

good firm mutton." The introduction of Oxfords into the States by Mr. T. S. Cooper in 1876, marks an important era in the sheep husbandry of this country. Mr. Cooper, knowing a good animal, and recognizing in the Oxford a sheep peculiarly adapted to the wants of American husbandmen, made a large impotration in the summer of that year (1876), from the most noted docks of England. The sheep arrived in most excellent condition, and after a very short rest, they were exhibited at many of the leading fairs, and also shown at the Centennial Exposition at Philadelphia, where they attracted much well deserved attention. When we say that the Oxfords at this particular show at breeds of sheep shown there, we are not sheep that was destined to revolutionize sheep husbandry, from the fact that they were hardy to a surprising degree, as a wool bearer second to none, as a mutton sheep the peer of any broed, not even excepting the long recognized champion, the South-down. The sales of Mr. Cooper in 1876-77, were very large, and we believe gave good satisfaction, as not one word or complaint was uttered against them, and all purchasers of 1876.

or '77 have been and still are breeders of this sheep. And we might say further that, as a fact (and we speak from knowledge), not one person who ever estab-lished a flock of Oxfords has dis-continued to breed them. There are cases where parties who were breeding Oxfords quit farming, and so of necessity ceased breeding sheep; but we have to hear yet of the first person who became dissatisfied with the Oxford and ceased breeding them. There are now in the United States and Canadas a number of choice flocks of Oxfords that are in the hands of most careful breeders, who, instead of resting upon laurels won by their favorites in England, are laboring to improve their sheep by increasing their fleeces, weight of carcass, and if it were possible to make them more adapted to the wants of American farmers.—T. W. W. S. in Sheep-Breeder and Wool-Grower.

Peeding Pigs the First 150 Days.

As we have often said, pig raisers should avoid giving young pigs a specialty fattening food. In the dairy there is plenty of skim-milk, which is well adapted to grow the young pig, as it is rich in phosphate of lime to grow the afford to send to the oil mills for it, and get it at wholesale rates. It can be bought at the mills at \$20 to \$25 per ton, and it is always worth these prices as a food. It is so rich in muscle-form-ing matter as to be of great value to feed

I notice in several papers statements to the effect that many sheep are dying this spring from a disease known as grub in the head. The cause, symptoms, and result of this malady are correctly described in the articles I have seen. If taken in time the disease is easily cured, but if not there is no remedy. It is caused by a peculiar kind of fly, which deposits its eggs in the nostrils of the sheep in hot weather. These eggs develop towards spring into grubs, which eat into the brain and invariably produce death. A sure remedy is this After the hot weather is over and the eggs deposited, make a strong decoction of Scotch snuff and assofcedita and then inject with a syringe about a tablespoon ful into each nostril. The sheep will reel and stagger like a drunken man after the operation, but there is no danger. I was brought up on a farm in New York, and have seen this remedy applied on thousands of sheep, and al-ways with success. The induces the most violent sneezing, which dislodges and ejects the eggs. No sheep properly treated in the manner described will ever die of this disease. But when the grub is once hatched and developed there is no remedy.—R. H. McClellan in Sheep-Breeder and Wool-Grower.

A timely report on the swine industry of the United States has just appeared from the commission appointed some time ago to examine the allegation concerning the unhealthfulness of American products. The statistics of the trade will be found interesting, but publie attention generally will be attracted to that portion of the report which deals with the alleged danger from trichina lurking in every form of swine's flesh. Every intelligent man knows that in this country, in which every occurrence even country, in which every occurrence even of the slightest public value is caught up and reported from ocean to another, it would be impossible for any well au thenticated case of trichmosis to escape wide publicity. And yet, such cases are so rare as to be almost unknown. There will be no surprise, therefore, that the commission reports that American pork is absolutely free of the hurtful qualities ascribed to it, and that it is as good as ascribed to it, and that it is as good as, if not better than, the pork of France and Germany. Of course, it will be uscless to urge these considerations upon those foreign governments that have made their assumed fears of triching a substitute for a protective tariff, but the report of the commission, which is the result of a careful and exhaustive examthe Oxfords at this particular show at ination, will be conclusive to impartial tracted more attention than all the other people. N. Y. Times.

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