



Enford

Sale at Compton Farm, Enford

The sale of the flock of Hampshire Downs and the general live and dead farming stock belonging to the late Mr. James Martin of Compton, came under the hammer by Mr. John Waters yesterday; and a very large company attended. At the luncheon, which was served in a tent, under the presidency of Mr. Wm. Ferris— Mr. John Rowden of Alton occupying the vice-chair,—we observed the Rev. Mr. Beauchamp; Mr. E. Mills, Shrewton; Mr. W. Canning, Elston; Mr. A. Baden, Longstreet; Mr. J. Carpenter, Lake; Mr. Smith, Durrington; Mr. Wm. Melsome, Maddington; Mr. Jas. Chisman; Mr. G. Melsome, Haxon; Mr. G. Kilmister, Fittleton; Mr. F. Melsome, Puckshipton; Mr. Moore, Littlecot; Mr. J. Ferris, Wishford; Mr. Wm. Ferris, Horton; Mr. H. Ferris, Manningford; Mr. Coles, Compton; Mr. Rumming, Wilsford; Mr. Rumming, Enford; Mr. Jenner, Chisenbury; Mr. Jno. Cusse, Chisenbury; Mr. Rowden, Upavon; Mr. C. Marsh, Maddington; Mr. Targett, Durrington; Mr. H. Wansbrough, Charlton; Mr. Osborne; Mr. Butcher; Mr. King, Everleigh; Mr. R. Kilmister, Enford; Mr. Miles, Durrington; Mr. Blake, Chitterne; Mr. Harding, Etchilhampton; Mr. Gibbs, Chitterne; Mr. Parsons, Overton; Mr. Edwards, Compton; Mr. Carter, Marlbro; Mr. Russ, Collingbourne, &c., &c.

The dead stock was disposed of before the luncheon, and sold well. The prices obtained for the sheep, the sale of which commenced immediately after the luncheon, speak for themselves. The animals, it should be observed, were in good condition. The chilver lambs were first offered, and of these, two pens fetched the high price of 52s. a head (bought by Mr. J. Carpenter of Lake); the others making 37s., 35s., 34s., 31s., 28s., down to 25s. The two-teeth ewes made as high as 47s., 42s., 41s., 39s., down to 35s. Of the four-teeth ewes, one pen sold for 60s. a head, to Mr. J. Moore of Littlecott; another for 53s., a head, to Mr. Russ of Collingbourne; others at 50s., 43s., 42s., 41s.; the lowest 38s. head. The six-teeth realized 51s., 47s. 44s., 40s., 39s. 37s.; the lowest being 34s. a head. The full-mouthed ewes, 50s. the highest; 34s. the lowest. The rams (of which there were 8) ranged from 10 guineas downwards. The cart horses made from 51 guineas, 40 guineas, 39 guineas, 38 guineas, 37 guineas, 36 ½ guineas, 32 guineas, downwards—all except the very aged bringing good prices. Altogether it was a capital sale.

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