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FAMOUS RAM SALE

One of the most historic of the border livestock shows is the ancient sale of sheep and rams at Kellkirk.

This year nearly 2,500 animals are entered. They include Border Suffolks, Hampshires, Oxfords and half breeds.

Foot and mouth restrictions in some areas have their effect on operations and the nine rings are kept busy throughout the sale from ten in the morning until dusk. Some high individual prices are realised for Border Leicesters and Oxford Town Reds. In only 24 cases out of more than a 100 flocks are the averages more than last year.

Getting spirited rams to be on their best behaviour isn't easy. He may be sheepish by name but not quite by nature.

Picture of ram rampant, spring in September. A good jump in the ring soentimes means a good jump in price. Prices range from £300. downwards and the top notcher is a Northern Glory Ram of magnificent breed from Preston. A Border Leicester, par excellence.