

R. H. Harding had a good aged ram, which was placed no higher than 3rd. A very straight, compact sheep won 3rd in the shearing ram class, while an imported one from Hugh McCalmont's flock, with a good body and bone, but rather thin, was 2nd. In ewe lambs Mr. Harding did well, being at the top of the prize list with March and April lambs, one a particularly good one. He had several good sheep present, which, however, failed to get a place.

Jas. Bowman won 1st on aged rams, and also showed some nice ewe lambs. W. E. Wright had a nice shearing only just over the year, not having lost its lamb's mouth even yet, and a couple of ewes which were unplaced.

Awards.

Ram, two shears and over—1, James Bowman, Guelph; 2, R. H. Harding, Thorndale; 3, J. A. McGillivray, Uxbridge.

Shearling ram—1, J. A. McGillivray; 2 and 3, R. H. Harding.

Ram lamb—1, 2 and 3, J. A. McGillivray. Two ewes, two shears and over—1, 2 and 3, J. A. McGillivray.

Two shearling ewes—1, 2 and 3, J. A. McGillivray.

Two ewe lambs—1, R. H. Harding; 2 and 3, J. A. McGillivray.

Pen of Dorsets—1 and 2, J. A. McGillivray.

Pen of Dorsets, Canadian-bred—1, J. A. McGillivray; 2, R. H. Harding.

Judges: Robert Miller, Pickering; John Hunter, Wyoming.

MERINOS.

The number of exhibitors of Merinos does not seem to increase. As in former years R. Shaw & Son, Glanford Station, and W. M. & J. C. Smith were the sole competitors. The former took the larger share of the leading prizes.

Awards.

Ram, two shears and over—1 and 3, R. Shaw & Son, Glanford Station; 2, W. M. & J. C. Smith, Fairfield Plains.

Shearling ram—1 and 2, W. M. & J. C. Smith; 3, R. Shaw & Son.

Ram lamb—1 and 2, R. Shaw & Son; 3, W. M. & J. C. Smith.

Two ewes, two shears and over—1 and 3, R. Shaw & Son; 2, W. M. & J. C. Smith.

Two shearling ewes—1, R. Shaw & Son; 2 and 3, W. M. & J. C. Smith.

Two ewe lambs—1 and 3, R. Shaw & Son; 2, W. M. & J. C. Smith.

Pen of Merinos—1, R. Shaw & Son; 2, W. M. & J. C. Smith.

Judge: Robert Bailey, Union.

FAT SHEEP.

Although six exhibitors had made entries, there were not many sheep present. There were no fat wethers, two shears and over of the long-woolled breed, and only one pair under two years. Gibson & Walker won with Lincolns. W. H. Beattie won 1st and 2nd for wethers of the short-woolled breed, two shears and over, with a pair of grade Shropshires and a Shropshire and Southdown respectively. In the section for short-wools under two years W. & G. Telfer won 1st with a pair of Southdowns, and John Campbell 2nd with a Shropshire-Cotswold cross.

Awards.

Two fat wethers, under two years, long-woolled breed—1, Gibson & Walker.

Two fat wethers, two shears and over, short-woolled breed—1 and 2, W. H. Beattie, Wilton Grove.

Two fat wethers, under two years, short-woolled breed—1, W. & G. Telfer; 2, J. Campbell.

Judges: W. H. Pugsley, Richmond Hill; Thos. Russell, Exeter.

SWINE.

The swine exhibit was very good indeed, some of the classes contained fewer entries than in the year previous, but any deficiency in numbers there was much more than made

up by the enormous entry of Tamworths, which totalled 209, and a number of temporary pens had to be erected for the accommodation of a great many head. Owing to the cheese-paring policy of the directors in cutting down the catalogue, no information could be gleaned from that source as to the extent of any breeders' exhibit, a very unsatisfactory state of affairs, which must be remedied another year. The exhibitors, too, were curious to know why the long-promised new pens, which are so badly needed for the accommodation of their stock, and for which, we understand, the City Council made an appropriation of \$2,000 this year, were not put up. The four new buildings erected last year appear to be very satisfactory, and those who managed to get their pigs in them had a great advantage over their less fortunate brethren as regards the showing off of their stock to visitors. We hope Manager Hill will give this matter his personal attention, now that he has such a good surplus in hand. Owing to the extreme heat during the first week of the show a number of exhibitors lost pigs, and it is estimated that at least \$1,000 worth of stock were taken out dead.

BERKSHIRES.

Berkshires, as in previous years, occupied the two buildings next the horse stables. The first exhibitor we came across was the J. G. Snell estate, which showed the pigs which had been fitted up by the late J. G. Snell, whose sad death was a matter of great regret. In aged boars Hiawatha, bred by that famous breeder, N. H. Gentry, Sedalia, Missouri, and a full brother of Baron Lee 4th, from a younger litter, carried 3rd. He is a capital pig of great length, Starlight, a very smooth, long and deep pig, with a great back, was placed 2nd in the yearling boar class. He is a wonderfully good boar, and was a strong favorite for 1st honors among the crowd. We understand that he was afterwards purchased by Mr. Gentry at the satisfactory price of \$200 to go to the herd of Riley, Sons & Co., Thornton, Indiana. First for aged sows went to Snell's Highclere 9th, a beautifully smooth, deep sow, large, and standing well on her feet. It will be remembered that she occupied the same position last year, and has proved herself a great breeder. Mr. Gentry purchased her before the close of the show. A daughter of Baron Lee 4th, Snell's Charmer 2nd, a grand one, was second for yearling sows. Princess Highclere, a promising sow, won 1st in the section under the year. She is by Victor 12th, out of Snell's Highclere 9th. The herd prize was awarded to the Snell estate.

Geo. Green, Fairview, had a very strong and representative exhibit. In aged boars he was invincible, carrying off both 1st and 2nd prizes. First went to King Highclere, a great pig, deep and long, who was also 1st in 1897 in the aged section. Crown Prince was a good 2nd. Lord Liverpool won the red ticket in the yearling class, a lengthy, good pig. Mr. Green's entries in the sections for boars under 12 and under 6 months won 3rd. He did not show aged sows, but secured 1st for yearlings with Model Lady, a splendid sow who distinguished herself by winning 1st in her class at the great circuit of shows last fall, winding up by winning at the Provincial Fat Stock Show 1st in her class and forming one of the sweepstakes pen at the same show. Second and 3rd for sows under the year went to the Fairview herd for a couple of strong, good sows, long and deep. Two good youngsters under 6 months were 1st and 2nd. Mr. Green was very successful in the sections for boar and 4 of his get and sow and 4 of her produce, winning 1st in both, and his herd stood 2nd. He had the misfortune to lose a very good yearling sow, which was a prize-winner at the fall and winter shows last year, but, notwithstanding this, had the good record of six firsts, four second and three third prizes.

T. A. Cox, Brantford, was strong in young stock. He had the 3rd prize yearling boar, which won 2nd last year in the younger section. Two good boars, under 12 months old, were 1st and 2nd, and a couple under six months occupied similar positions. The first

was a smooth, even pig, of Teasdale breeding, the other a pig of good length. A lengthy, deep, aged sow, standing up well, also bred by Teasdale, carried 2nd in her class, while a yearling sow was 3rd in strong competition.

Wm. McAllister, Varna, had mostly young stock, but his stock was good enough to win him second for boar and four of his get, and also 3rd for a deep, aged sow. The boar he showed was named First Prize, of Baron Lee 4th stock, and is of good length and depth.

Thos. Teasdale had disposed of his show stock before the exhibition, and had only a few handsome young things left for sale, which he did not bring out into the ring. R. G. Martin, Marysville; A. Wright, Binbrook; P. W. Boynton & Son, Dollar, and Wm. Rud-dock, Mimico, had each a few head entered, but did not get into the short cut.

Awards.

Boar, over two years—1 and 2, Geo. Green, Fairview; 3, J. G. Snell estate, Snelgrove.

Boar, over one and under two years—1, G. Green; 2, J. G. Snell estate; 3, T. A. Cox, Brantford.

Boar, over six and under twelve months—1 and 2, T. A. Cox; 3, G. Green.

Boar, under six months—1 and 2, T. A. Cox; 3rd, G. Green.

Sow, over two years—1, J. G. Snell estate; 2, T. A. Cox; 3, Wm. McAllister, Varna.

Sow, over one and under two years—1, G. Green; 2, J. G. Snell estate; 3, T. A. Cox.

Sow, over six and under twelve months—1, J. G. Snell estate; 2 and 3, G. Green.

Sow, under six months—1 and 2, G. Green; 3, T. A. Cox.

Best Berkshire boar and two sows, of any age—1, J. G. Snell estate; 2, G. Green.

Boar and four of his get, under six months old—1, G. Green; 2, Wm. McAllister.

Sow and four of her produce, under six months old—1, G. Green.

Judges: W. Jones, Mount Elgin; Jas. McArthur, Lobo.

YORKSHIRES.

The Yorkshire class was well up to the average in quality. J. E. Brethour, Busford, had twenty-seven head in the pens, including a small selection from his late importation. His aged boar was only in breeding condition and won 3rd. He is a good one, long, and with lots of quality. Three homebred boars under twelve months old carried off all three prizes in a strong class. The 1st prize one, Oak Lodge Clarence 4th, is a splendid pig, good and smooth, and weighed 470 pounds at ten months old. This pig headed the first prize herd. Two smooth, straight pigs of good Yorkshire type were 2nd and 3rd respectively for boars under six months. In aged sows this exhibitor won both the red and blue ribbon. The 2nd prize one was bred by Philo Mills, and was imported this summer by Mr. Brethour. Oak Lodge Gloria and Oak Lodge Victoria, two grand sows, successfully carried off the two chief prizes in the yearling class. Probably the strongest female class was that for sows under the year. Here Oak Lodge Buttercup 7th came in 1st. One of the best females Mr. Brethour showed was probably the 1st prize winner under six months, a beautiful little sow, which could scarcely be beaten as a model for Yorkshire type. First for herd, for boar and four of his get, and for sow and four of her produce went to this herd.

It may be mentioned here that one result of Mr. Brethour's visit to the Old Country this year has been to convince him that, in order to keep their pigs up to the standard required for the bacon trade with Great Britain, breeders of Yorkshires must breed pigs with lighter heads, lighter shoulders, and longer noses.

R. G. Martin, Marysville, had a grand aged boar, which secured 1st honors, beating the sweepstakes boar of two years old. He has wonderful depth, and, in spite of his great weight, 950 pounds, is a good, even pig and one of the best on the grounds. His first prize yearling boar is a very smooth, firm pig of nice length and depth, and should be heard of again. Mr. Martin's aged sow, a very smooth, deep pig of good character, won 3rd