

STOCK

The Yorkshire Show

(OUR ENGLISH CORRESPONDENCE).

The annual show of the Yorkshire Agricultural Society is justly termed the "Great Yorkshire Show," and this year's exhibition at Leeds was one of the finest of the long series. The show was held upon an ample and picturesque park, and although the weather was not over-favorable there was an attendance of nearly 60,000. In all £2,818 was offered in prizes, and the bulk of this amount—£2,229 went for live stock, of which there were 866 entries. The entries in all departments were 1,740 in number. Some of the live stock entries were not forward, and their absence is accounted for by the outbreak of foot and mouth disease in the northern part of the county.

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In the horse section the largest number of entries were of Thoroughbreds and Hunters, and there were some capital Cleveland bays and Yorkshire coach horses. The stallions were the best class of hunters—first honors going to a fine, strong bay, H. Cholmondeley's "Berril." Brood mares were only a small class, and Miss Hignett's bay-brown "Diana," was easily first. "Diana" was first at the Royal. She was afterwards awarded the Hunters' Society's gold medal for best brood mare.

The yearling fillies were a larger class, and here Lord Middleton's brown "Sceptre" was first, and took the Hunter silver medal for best filly also.

There were eighty Hackney entries, but many absentees. In the senior stallion class the well-known winner "Flash Cadet," owned by Sir W. Gilbey, was first in a close contest. The Royal Champion "Antonius" was first amongst junior stallions. A fine type of brood mare with capital back and shoulders took first place for brood mare, T. R. Stork's "Bringham Nell." She also took the Hackney gold medal, beating the Royal winner, Sir W. Gilbey's "Gallant Girl." All three prize winners in the Hackney filly two-year-olds were sired by the famous "Polonius." The first went to W. Briggs' "Albin Ophelia"—second at the Royal. The two distinct Yorkshire breeds were good classes and some five carriage horses were shown. The champion coach horse for the fourth time was Mr. Stericker's bay "Breaston Prince." A Cleveland was second, John Lett's "Cholderton Luck's All," but he took the Cleveland championship. Some capital brood mares were shown, and a Cleveland was first.

The Shire section was better filled than usual, and 57 were entered. Many of the best breeders in the country were represented by characteristic specimens. That fine animal and London winner, A. Crandage's "Gaer Conqueror" headed the senior stallion class, with B. E. Everard's fine bay "Bardon Ruler" in second place. The junior stallion honors fell to "Wakeful Boy," owned by F. Farnsworth, and Messrs. Whitley's "Saltfleet Dray King" respectively.

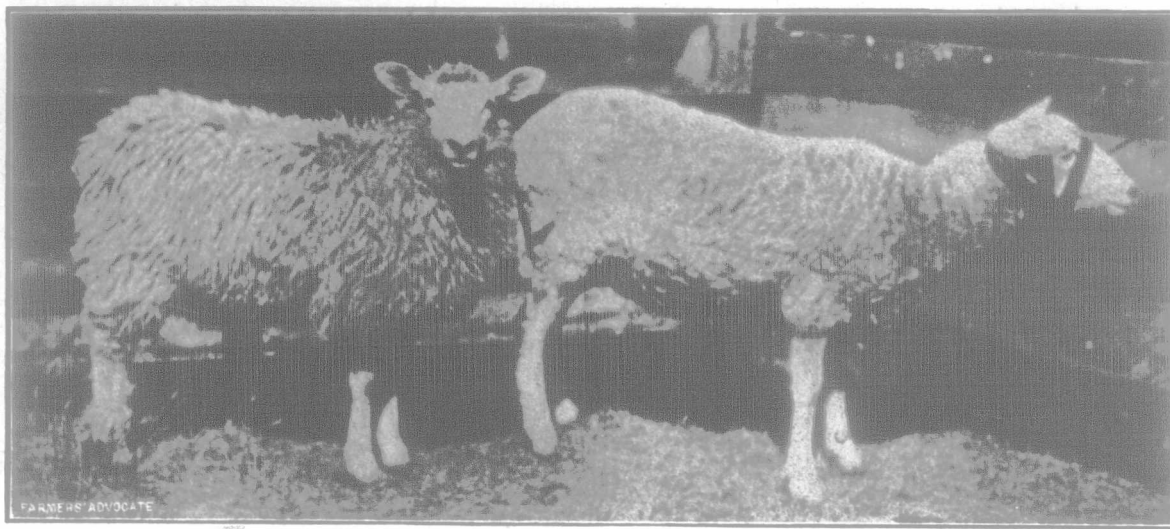
Brood mares were a capital lot, and first place went to Messrs. Whitley's well-known winner, "Mollington Movement," by "Lockinge Forest King." The Duke of Sutherland's "Lilleshall Moss Rose" was placed second. Some useful fillies were shown. Lord Rothschild was the winner in all three classes.

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In the cattle section there were twenty classes, and 218 entries, but many of the cattle were not shown owing to the outbreak of disease in the north. There were many excellent specimens

shown, with hardly a weak class, and a large crowd watched the judging. Most interest was taken in the family class, consisting of a cow of any age with two or more of her produce in direct line of descent on the female side. Geo. Harrison took the first prize with his beautiful roan "Elvetham Ruth" (second at the Royal), and her two daughters. The second place went to E. S. Godsell.

In the aged bull class a massive animal, "Village Diamond," shown by the Duke of Portland, was first, beating the famous "Mintmaster," owned by Geo. Harrison. "Village Diamond" afterwards took the championship. First place in his class—three-year-old bulls—was taken by Geo. Harrison's "Prince Olaf 2nd" in strong competition, and also reserve for champion honors. He has been very successful this year at leading shows, including the Highland. The twenty two-year-old bulls made a grand show in the ring and were the largest class. First place and special prize offered by Shorthorn Society for the best bull calved in Yorkshire, in 1908, were taken by a massive low-set bull, C. A. Hirst's "Columbus." Second place went to J. H. Maden's "Rockcliffe Scotchman." The bull calf first was awarded to Geo. Harrison's roan, "Gainford Marquis." That successful Lancashire cow, J. H. Maden's "Magic Princess," was first amongst cows of any age, with Geo. Harrison's "Elvetham Ruth" in second place. These two cows were similarly placed at the Royal show.



IT PAYS TO USE A GOOD SIRE
This lamb, owned by A. J. McKay, is the result of a cross between a purebred Leicester ram and a common scrub ewe. It won in the mutton class for ewe or wether lamb at Winnipeg.

There were eight entries in the three-year-old heifer class and first place was attained by a good white heifer, E. H. Cartwright's "White Belle." The Royal winner "Augusta," was entered amongst the two-year-old heifers but was not shown. The Duke of Portland's roan, "Bletchley Queen," was easily first, with Geo. Harrison's "Ruth of Gainford" second. Mr. Harrison took the first place amongst the heifer calves with his "Gainford Dickson."

The Shorthorn Society's prize for dairy cow in milk, was taken by a Royal winner, "Brandsley Princess," bred by J. M. Strickland.

There were only four Jersey cattle shown, and three of them carried off prizes. The entries of Aberdeen Angus were good, but the scare kept the animals away, only three being shown.

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In the sheep section fear of disease kept many entries away. There should have been 138 sheep forward. In Leicesters, Geo. Harrison and E. Jordan, of Eastburn, took almost all the awards. In the Lincoln classes Henry Dudding, of Riley Grove, was a prominent winner. He took the Lincoln Long-wool sheep breeders' prize and championship for the best ram with his second prize winner at the Royal. R. Dixon, of Beverley, was also a Lincoln winner. There were excellent specimens of Wensleydale sheep, and the prizes were shared largely by the executors of Thos. Willis, and Lord Henry Bentinck.

Black-faced Scotch mountain sheep were a good class, and the awards were distributed amongst several prominent breeders.

Pigs were almost a record in numbers, there being 125 entries. There was strong competition amongst large white boars. Messrs. Purvis took first place. The gold medal went to a fine, large white sow, shown by R. E. W. Stephenson.

For middle-white boar above twelve months old C. Spencer took first and special, and Mr. Spencer took first also and reserve for special for middle-white sow above twelve months old. Sir G. Greenall took first with middle-white sow under twelve months old. R. Ibbotson took all the first places for Tamworths.

Berkshires were good. H. Peacock, S. Sanday and L. Currie took the first places. In large blacks, T. F. Hooley was the leading winner.

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In the cheese section the exhibits were few and of rather uneven quality. Bottled fruit and honey made a most appetizing display. The buttermaking competitions were well filled, and some good butter was produced—well worked, evenly salted, and free from excess of moisture.

Considerations of space forbid extended mention of many features. There were 487 entries of poultry. A noticeable point was the preponderance of Hamburgs amongst the egg-laying varieties. One of the most popular sections of the show was the horticultural section, and the floral display was of high excellence, a veritable feast of color. There is no doubt of the success of this new innovation.

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Fly Remedies

Subscribers of THE FARMER'S ADVOCATE have had satisfactory results from the use of various fly remedies. Here are two mixtures that are recommended:

1. One quart of fish oil, one-third pint of tar, two or three ounces commercial sheep dip, and one-third ounce of carbolic acid. This was rubbed over the cows every four or five days. It kept away flies and the animals treated seemed to be comparatively free from warbles.

2. Another reader advocates a mixture of fish oil, sulphur and oil of tar, but does not give the proportions of these ingredients.

Registration Questions

I have bought some Hereford cattle, and have a number of young calves ready for registration. To whom must I write? How much does it cost? What must I send in? We have the pedigrees of the sire and dams. Does it cost anything to get a pedigree transferred?

We also have a year-old Clydesdale mare whose four sires were registered. How would I have to go about it in order to have her registered?

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Ans.—Before you can record your Hereford calves, it is first necessary to have the sire and dams transferred to your ownership, if it has not already been done. Applications for transfer must be signed by the party or parties from whom you purchased them. Blank forms will be supplied free on application to "The Accountant," Canadian National Live-stock Records, Ottawa, from whom you may also get blank application forms free. Separate application must be made for each calf, and must be signed by the person owning the dam when the calf was born. Certification of service is necessary in each case, either on the application form or the transfer form for the dam. Full information as to fees will be found on the back of the forms.

In reference to the Clydesdale mare, fill in her pedigree on form supplied on application; have the last cross certified to by the owner of the sire, then take the pedigree to an officer authorized to administer oaths, and swear it.