

small for a provincial exhibition, and the quality was just fair, classing them altogether. There were none worthy of especial mention, though Rogers had a few good Yorkshires had they been fitted as they might have been. A little care and fitting would have made a great deal of difference in the show rings. This is true in all classes and sections.

P. E. I. Exhibition

The exhibition at Charlottetown followed close upon that at Fredericton. Old Sol smiled down upon those who came on the opening day and again at the close, but not a penny's worth of sunshine on the two days which draw the largest crowds. One Islander confessed that all the weather clerks had failed—in fact it was impossible to make suitable weather for such times.

Despite the inclement weather, the exhibition was a success in every way. The people of the little province are to be congratulated upon the splendid exhibits of grain, fruits, vegetables and roots, as well as in live stock.

HORSES

The horse exhibit was in most classes away ahead of the other Maritime fairs. Another point worthy of notice here was the good condition the horses were brought out in and with few exceptions this was true in all the live stock classes.

Thoroughbred stallions were not so numerous, but one at least Woodburn, is more than a common horse. A good individual and a very good sire for his colts were good ones.

The carriage classes were just fairly well filled but in some cases really good animals were shown that would stand close scrutiny anywhere as they had style, action and speed.

Standardbreds were out in full force and as many as twenty faced the judge at one time, any one of which a man might be proud of. Aged stallions were not as good as one could expect from the young stock, but it seems the best were not out. The younger classes had some animals of merit in each class, particularly the winner of the two-year-old class. The fillies in each class were fully better than the stallions and were a nice promising lot, some being extra good.

In the saddle class the entries were few and though a few good individuals were shown, as a whole they were just a fair lot.

Clydesdales are gaining quite a foothold on the Island as the heavy draft horse. As yet the number is not large, but the quality is good. H. Crockett's Goldfinder is the only stallion we shall mention to illustrate our statement, though other good ones were there. This horse certainly shows the best Clydesdale character as well as draft type.

Three-year-olds and in fact all the fillies were a very good lot. Though grades, they showed the Clydesdale type very clearly and the effect of using sires of the right stamp to grade up with. A competition not common at shows was a walking race for teams. This, we think, is a good competition, for a draft horse that can walk fast is worth twenty-five per cent. more than a slow horse and hence breeding with an eye to this should be encouraged.

BEEF CATTLE

were mainly represented by Short-horns and though the entries were not numerous some animals of merit were shown. Irving Cass and Boyer were the principal exhibitors and they divided up the prizes very equal-

ly among them. Irving's aged bull was a nice sappy fellow, low set and deep, and Cass' young bull was a nicely turned chap, though not quite massive enough. Boyer's sweepstake female was a very good heifer, true to type and a good beef animal. The grades were just a fair lot, and owing to the scarcity of feed last winter, were in just fair condition.

DAIRY CATTLE

The leading dairy breeds were out in large numbers and made a splendid showing. The Ayrshire class was first judged. Bulls three years old and upwards brought out a goodly number. First prize went to John Morrison on a large typical animal with Bagnall's and Webster's entries following closely. Simmonds won on two-year-olds, Easton Bros. on yearlings and calves. The yearling bull was a particularly good animal, smooth and stylish. In aged cows, Easton Bros. were again first; Simmonds on two-year-olds, and yearlings. In all of the classes Tupper Ferguson was an exhibitor of good stuff but failed in that company to get higher than third.

The Jerseys were a splendid lot. The aged bull class, and in fact all the bull classes, had animals of splendid conformation and quality. The Island Jerseys have long been well known and this year's exhibit was fully up to the mark. Simmonds got first in three-year-olds, Hill on two-year-olds, Watts on yearlings, and Haslam on calves. In aged cows Esary got first on a cow of good type, a splendid barrel, long quarters and plenty of lung room. Simmonds was first in two-year-olds; Gill in yearlings and calves. The herd prize was awarded to Clark for the best bred and owned by the exhibitor.

The Guernsey class contained some of the best entries of the show. Roper Bros' aged bull was not only first in his class but was also awarded sweepstakes as the best dairy sire in the show, though he had a close second and competitor in Simmonds' aged Jersey. Both are excellent animals. Roper Bros. won all the other first prizes on bulls and most of the prizes on females. Their exhibit was good and brought out in splendid shape.

In the aged bull class of Holsteins the judge had his work cut out for him. All the animals were far off type and poor specimens of the breed. Two-year-olds were a good class. First prize went to Bryne Bros. on a very smooth, nicely turned animal. The yearling prize and sweepstakes was awarded to Samuel Dickey, while J. Tweedy won the red on calves. The cow class was well filled and brought out a very uniform lot of Holsteins. Heartz won first and sweepstakes on a large roomy cow of excellent quality, that carried a splendid udder—almost an ideal Ayrshire udder, in fact. Dickey, Boswell and Lea won the rest of the prizes in that class.

A large number of grades were shown in each class and some sections brought out as high as fifteen. The cows were a good useful lot but there were a few cows that would have to be considered in any dairy class. All showed that they had pure blood close to the result of using purebred sires. The agricultural societies are doing splendid work in bringing in and spreading males of breeding and quality.

SHEEP

were a fairly large exhibit when we consider that this little province has only three counties and just one hundred thousand people, all told.

The Leicesters were of good quality and well fitted. Boswell, Lane and Clarke were the chief exhibitors. Boswell captured nearly all the firsts.

In Cotswolds, Tweedie and Robertson had it all to themselves, while Boswell Bros. owned all the Lincolns. Furness and Boyer showed most of the Southdowns. Furness was always an easy first. He has a splendid flock. One of his own breeding beat his imported Ontario ram, and rightly so as they showed.

The Shropshires were a good lot of low set, well fleshed and woolled sheep. Geo. Boswell and C. Nunn took most of the prizes in the order named. In Oxford, P. and S. Lane had the only entries. The Suffolks were all owned by P. Lane. These sheep won all the special prizes for wool, though the Shrops were so close that it took an expert to decide between them.

SWINE

were a particularly good exhibit. The animals in all the classes showed breeding, care and feeding, and as the judge remarked, would stand a good deal of beating in any show ring. P. E. I. may be proud of the start she has made in the great hog industry. The breeders have certainly tried the best.

In Berkshires, Brodie, Lane, Drake and Ingo Bros. were the exhibitors. Brodie had the largest exhibit and won most of the prizes. Wilson and Durham blood shows close up in his hogs. This year Colbeck, the largest breeder of Yorks, did not show, but Crockett, Halliday and Roper Bros. were there with excellent animals. Crockett had the best of it in most classes. His hogs are long, straight, clean and stylish, with strong backs and well sprung ribs. Ropers had most of the Tams, their aged sow would come in for sweepstakes in many a Canadian show ring, Toronto not excepted, some years. Quite a number of good bacon hogs were shown. They were hardly as long bodied as those at Toronto but otherwise were just as good. Altogether the management of the exhibition are to be congratulated on the way they ran it from start to finish. Everything was done to make it what it was intended, an agricultural display of the resources of the Island. Not a fair or juggler was allowed on the grounds. Nothing was there but what all might look upon and learn from—good, not evil. And it paid expenses!

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