

year's show, the prizes went to Mr. R. H. Pope, of Cookshire; D. M. Wilson, Compton, and E. B. Pope.

The competition in grade cattle was very keen. There was no lack in numbers, and a good proportion of those led into the ring were in good show condition. Shorthorn grades predominated and were certainly a credit to the breed. H. H. Fuller, S. Lake & Son, H. H. Burton, W. P. McClary, and A. J. Stratton were among the principal exhibitors, the latter showing a remarkably fine pair of yearling steers.

The Ayrshires certainly sustained their reputation as one of the finest of the dairy breeds. Many of the animals showed dairy development to a marked degree. The herd prize went to Wm. Wylie, of Howick, as did the diploma for bull of any age. R. R. Ness, of Howick, captured diplomas for best young herd and for best female. These two exhibitors, with Isaleigh Grange, were awarded the majority of the prizes. Wm. Wylie obtained first on aged bull, yearling bull, and on two-year-old heifer, and second on aged and three-year-old cows. Isaleigh Grange captured first on bull calf, seconds on aged and yearling bulls and yearling heifer and heifer calf. R. R. Ness secured first on two-year-old bull, aged cow, three-year-old cow, yearling heifer, heifer calf, and second on two-year-old heifer. Jno. Stalker, Kingsbury, was awarded third on aged bull; Eli Audelle, Eustis, second on two-year-old bull; Jno. Blue, Eustis, third on yearling bull and on heifer calf, and Wall Bros. second on bull calf, with E. B. Davidson a close third.

The Jerseys were out in large numbers, some ninety head being entered. Generally speaking, they were a very fine lot, but we cannot say that large udder development was as conspicuous as we would like to see it in this favorite dairy breed. Some of the cows exhibited, however, could not be faulted in this regard. D. J. Pope, Cookshire, brought out a herd that carried off its full share of the tickets, winning diplomas for best bull, best female, and best herd. Representatives of W. A. Reburn's (St. Ann's) herd were present in goodly numbers and did their owner credit, as did the well-bred herd shown by Dr. E. P. Ball, of Rock Island. R. W. Frank, Kingsbury; J. C. Stockwell, Danville; and M. L. Ball were among the remaining exhibitors who secured a place in the list of awards. In aged bulls, Messrs. E. J. Ball and Reburn showed an evenly-matched pair, the preference, however, being given to Dr. Ball's entry, D. J. Pope taking third place. For two-year-olds, the order was Pope, Ball, R. W. Frank. Yearling bulls were successfully shown by Reburn, F. S. Wetherall, of Cookshire, and J. C. Stockwell; while in bull calves, Pope, E. J. Ball, and Stockwell secured the awards in the order named. In aged cows, R. W. Frank won first on a cow carrying an exceptionally fine udder, with Dr. Ball a close second, and Reburn third. Three-year-old cows stood—Pope, Reburn, M. L. Ball; while for two-year-olds, the order was M. L. Ball, Pope, and Reburn. In yearling heifers, the prizes went to Reburn, Wm. Delaney, of Melbourne, and Dr. Ball; and in heifer calves, first was awarded to Dr. E. P. Ball; second to D. J. Pope, with R. W. Frank third; the diploma for breeder's young herd going to Reburn.

The Guernseys present were an exceedingly choice lot, but there was little competition. It seems rather strange that in a section of the country so noted for its development along dairy lines so few of this breed are found. Their size and constitution, together with their good milking qualities, should recommend them to the public favor. Isaleigh Grange was the chief exhibitor, only two awards going outside of this herd. D. J. Pope won second with a three-year-old bull, and F. S. Wetherall first on two-year-old heifer.

"Canadian cattle" were represented by several good-sized herds. The animals were of a good dairy type and were brought out in splendid condition. In bulls, A. Denis, St. Norbert, got all the firsts and diploma; Louis Thoinin was awarded all the seconds; while Louis Sylvestre, St. Theodore, and Guy Carr, Compton, came in for some of the thirds. The tickets for females were very evenly divided between A. Denis and L. Thoinin, the diploma for best female going to the latter, as did the herd prize. First place was given to A. Denis in the young herd competition. In two-year-old heifers, L. Sylvestre stood second.

Swine.—In the swine department some very good stock was shown, but in many instances there was little competition. H. C. Bailey secured all the firsts on Berkshires, except on boar over six months, which went to Edwards Bros.; H. D. Smith won second on sow under six months.

The Yorkshires were good representatives of the breed, and the prizes quite evenly distributed. J. J. Pamell won firsts on boars over and under six months, on sows over and under six months, and second on aged boar. J. H. Taylor carried off the diploma for best pen, besides a first on sow with litter, second on boar under six months, and third litter on sow over six months. B. Tressler, L. Sylvestre and F. C. Taylor came in for a first, two seconds, and a third, respectively.

Poland-Chinas were shown by J. H. and F. C. Taylor, the former winning the major portion of the first premiums.

In the Chester White class there was a goodly number of entries. Robt. McLeay and W. S. & J. W. Dennison secured most of the prizes, A. Cupin and R. Bridgette dividing the remaining honors.

Sheep.—The space allotted to the sheep was well filled, and there was considerable competition in Leicesters, Shropshires, Southdowns, and Cotswolds; a few Cheviots and Dorsets were also shown. W. R. Stevens, R. W. Frank, H. W. Burton and Isaac Parnell secured awards in the Leicester class, W. R. Stevens carrying off the diploma for the best pen; R. W. Frank received firsts on shearing ram, ram lamb and shearing ewes; I. Parnell got first place with aged ram and aged ewes, and H. W. Burton with ewe lambs.

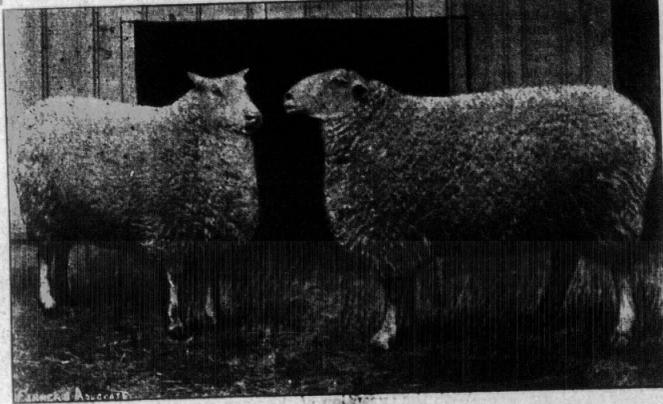
The Shropshires were certainly a fine lot and in good condition. With the exception of the aged ram prize, all the firsts went to Hillhurst Farm. Edwards Bros., the only other exhibitors, were further successful in winning seconds on aged and shearing ewes and thirds on shearing ram and ram lamb, aged ewes and ewe lambs.

Southdowns were brought out by Guy Carr, H. J. Elliott and F. J. Wetherall. Guy Carr won first and second on aged and shearing ram and ram lamb, and second and third on aged and shearing ewes; H. J. Elliott was awarded a diploma for best pen and all the firsts on females; F. J. Wetherall got thirds on shearing ram and ewe lambs.

Cotswolds had but two exhibitors, A. Denis and L. Sylvestre, the former winning all the firsts and diploma.

The Ottawa Exhibition.

This exhibition, which lasted from Sept. 16th to the 24th, was better and more successful than ever in every respect. There was a fine display of live stock in all the classes, and the attendance was also good. Several improvements have been carried out on the grounds since last year, including the erection of a mammoth new main building, 130 by 310 feet, constructed of iron, with no central pillars and no galleries, which would be an ideal building to hold a horse or fat stock show in, its capacity being only



PAIR OF AGED LEICESTERS, THE PROPERTY OF A. W. SMITH, MAPLE LODGE, ONT. THE RAM, PARMA, WON 1ST PRIZE AT TORONTO AND LONDON, 1896, '97, '98, AND HEADED THE 1ST PRIZE FLOCK SAME FAIRS AND YEARS. THE EWES, MAPLE LODGE MINNIE, WON 1ST AT TORONTO AND LONDON, 1895, '96, '97, '98, AND HAS BRED NINE LAMBS IN THREE YEARS.

slightly smaller than that of the Armories, Toronto. Some much-needed sodding has also been done, and the management, as usual, are most anxious to oblige the exhibitors. While there is so much to praise at this exhibition, there is one point where an improvement could easily be made, and that is in the method of calling out the horses to be judged. A great deal of time was lost in doing so, and it was not an infrequent thing for an exhibitor to arrive in the ring with his horse when the other entries had been judged, or nearly so. The fairer element was still in evidence, and a certain worthy of this class must have reaped a golden harvest, judging by the way he raked in the shekels.

HORSES.

The stables were so well filled with horses that there was not a single vacant stall, and a prominent breeder from Western Ontario, who had neglected to enter his Hackneys and Clydes until the last moment, had to have his entry money returned, as there was no accommodation for his stock. The heavy draft classes and those for lighter breeds were equally well filled, and the standard was generally high. There were a few horses out, however, which should never have been brought into the showing, and the judges very properly refused to give prizes to such. There were no coach horses entered.

Thoroughbreds.—This class was decidedly weak except in the aged stallion section, where four excellent sires were out. These were Slight of Hand and June Day, both exhibited by the Ottawa Live Stock Improvement Co., in which Mr. W. C. Edwards, M. P., is interested; A. J. Hassard's Tyrone, and Geo. Thompson's Jaubert. The ribbons were sent to the first three as named. Slight of Hand won the sweepstakes for stallions, as well as the special for stallions over two years old. There were no three-year-old or two-year-old stallions and no brood mares or foals entered. Slight of Hand, however, scored another triumph in winning the gold medal offered for stallion and three of his get, when six as fine and uniform a lot of colts as one could wish to see, all the same age and all the same color as the sire, viz., chestnut, ranged up before the judges. R. R. Pringle, Cobourg, and Asa Choate, Port Hope, awarded the prizes in the light classes.

Carriage Horses.—While the carriage class was pretty strong in numbers, it cannot be said to have been a really

good class, as there were a great many medium horses entered. J. J. Anderson, Dominionville, scored in aged stallions with his old-time winner, Sunlight; Shelby Chief, his successful opponent last year, coming second. He is owned by A. Blyth, Ottawa. McCandlish, shown by Hornby Bros., Ottawa, won third honors. Sunlight won the diploma for stallions. Two chestnut mares shown by W. C. Edwards & Co., Rockland, carried first and second for mares with foal; Reid & Co., Hintonburg, being third. Messrs. Edwards won the red and blue tickets for foals also. This firm showed several things in this class. The prizes for matched pairs went as follows: Murray & Crow, Toronto, first and third; R. Beith, Bowmanville, second. For single horses, R. Beith beat Crow's two entries with Portia. Murray & Crow won the special for pairs, and Beith the sweepstakes for mares.

High-steppers.—High-steppers were shown by Murray & Crow, Robert Beith and others. The former won for pairs and single horses with Blucher and Lord Minto, Beith being second. The tandem prizes went to Murray & Crow and Beith in that order. R. Beith won for pair of matched high-steppers under 15½, and also the special offered for matched team of any height. Murray & Crow was second, and T. C. Bate, Ottawa, third. Beith won the prize for four in-hands.

Standard-breds were not out in great force. Out of six aged stallions the winner of first honors was found in Graham Bros.' Reflector, which also won the diploma and the special prize offered for stallions. Mackay, Pembroke, was second with Hawley Chimes, and John Morgan, Ottawa, third with Ambrosial. There was only one two-year-old filly, shown by H. S. Conn, Ottawa.

Roadsters were more numerous, especially those shown in harness. Graham Bros. were first for aged stallions, with A. Clark, Brinston's Corners, second. The single entry for three-year-olds, Wilkes B, was shown by F. Boumet, Moose Creek. The diploma for stallions went to Graham Bros. Four roadster mares were entered, but when put under the standard none of them measured the required height, 15½ hands, and so all were disqualified. The sweepstakes for mares went to a nice two-year-old shown by C. McMorrow, Ottawa. A. H. Johnston, Castleford, won first for pairs, and a special prize for the same with a pair of grays that got over the ground in great style. Murray & Crow won first for single mare or gelding in a very big class.

Saddle Horses and Hunters.—The exhibitors in this class were Geo. Pepper, Toronto; T. A. Hassard, Millbrook; T. Fairbairn, Billings Bridge; W. C. Edwards & Co., Rockland, and others. Pepper had a fine string and won first and third for three-year-olds with Peacock and Queensberry. Hassard's prize was second. W. C. Edwards was also a prize-winner, as was Fairbairn. Geo. Pepper won first and third in the section for saddle horses, geldings or mares, with R. Beith's entry in between. Pepper had an easy victory in the sections for heavyweight and lightweight hunters. A. Cunningham, Ottawa, won third for lightweight hunters.

General Purpose horses were out in good force, and some very nice ones were to be found among them. This is always, however, a mixed sort of class, as every one's idea of what a general purpose horse should be varies so considerably. There should be some standard drawn up if this class is to be kept on as a permanent one, so that judges may have something to guide them in selecting winners. In this case the judges, Geo. Moore, Waterloo, and Geo. Gray, Newcastle, inclined pretty much all through to horses of a heavyish type, and based their decisions accordingly. A pure-bred black Percheron, shown by W. R. Wilson, Manotick, was chosen for 1st place in the aged stallion class; a half-bred Clyde, owned by E. W. Clark, Ottawa, being 2nd, and a very gay, trappy, registered French-Canadian horse, a little low in the back, 3rd. He was owned by J. J. Anderson, Dominionville. Lyman Kellogg, Gatineau Point, had a mare of very nice style by a Cleveland Bay stallion, out of a running mare, which won 1st for brood mares. Jos. Hardy, Bowersville, was 2nd with one of a heavier type. Jas. Magee, North Gore, had a well-matched filly and gelding in the three year-old class, which won 1st and 2nd there. W. R. McLatchie had the winning team, a pair of big bays, and A. Stanley's mare won the sweepstakes for mares.

Heavy Drafts.—This class was for heavy drafts imported or by imported stock on both sides and included Clydes and Shires, except in two sections, from which the latter were debarred, as there were similar prizes offered for Shires alone as a separate class. The aged stallion section was well filled. Graham Bros. had forward their champion Simon Yet and Two in One. R. Ness, Howick, had his newly imported horse, Fullarton—a rare good kind—and his old standby, Laurence Again; while Levi Bowles, Springville, had Erskine McGregor, a good strong horse of N. P. Clark's breeding. The judges spent considerable time over this class, but eventually sent the prizes to Simon Yet, Fullarton, Erskine McGregor and Laurence Again. There was only one three-year-old out, but he was a good one, shown by R. Ness, and imported from John Crawford, Beith, Ayrshire. He is by Darnley Erskine. W. C. Edwards & Co. had a very promising yearling stallion, which best two good, growthy ones of Ness' for first place. Graham Bros. had the best brood mares, Ness being second. Mr. Ness had the only entries of three- and two-year-old fillies, while W. R. McLatchie won with a yearling brought from Graham Bros. This filly also won the sweepstakes for mares. She was very well fitted. Simon Yet won the diploma for stallions, while Ness won for stallion and three of his get. The team prizes went to E. W. Clark, Ottawa, and R. Ness. In the local class for heavy drafts the prizes went to W. Allen, Hull; J. T. Clark, Ottawa, and S. Stewart, Aylmer.

Canadian-bred Heavy Drafts.—This class was well represented and most of the animals were in good form. There were three aged stallions present. First went to a five-year-old shown by Andrew S. Pratt, Gloucester;