

### Canadian National Exhibition

The Canadian National Exhibition of Toronto, has again opened its gates to the usual countless throngs of visitors. The entries in most of the departments are well up to the average of other years. In some cases they are above. So great was the entry list in horses that difficulty was experienced in providing stabling for them. The sheep exhibits were also crowded, several having to be content with improvised pens in the passageways. Judging by the attendance to the end of last week the much-talked-of financial depression has had but little, if any, effect in keeping sight-seers from the exhibition.

Most of the judging was yet to be done at the time of going to press. The Holsteins and most of the Ayrshires were judged on Friday.

#### HOLSTEINS

Compared with other years, the Holstein exhibit was decidedly small. What it lacked in numbers, however, was largely made up in the extra quality of the various entries. Few individuals in the exhibit were conspicuous by their absence. G. W. Clemons, of St. George, Ont., the well-known secretary of the Holstein-Friesian Association, was out with a splendid herd. Mr. Clemons has exhibited at Toronto for 16 years. His stock has never in better shape. His herd was the strongest he had ever shown and he cleaned up an exceptionally large share of the prize money. Dunkin & Hulet of Norwich, were somewhat handicapped, so far as winning was concerned, on account of their stock, for the most part, having been in lactation for some time. There were only two large exhibitors of Holsteins. The others, C. E. Smith, of Scotland, and S. W. Hutchinson of Aurora, had no herds entered but simply showed in the individual classes.

In the aged bull class, Clemons was an easy winner with Sir Mercedes Teake (2489). This bull is an exceptionally good one, possessing lots of quality. He was showing better than he ever did before. Dunkin & Hulet took second with Prince Albecker Pauline, a bull not quite so even, and smaller than his competitor. In the two year old bull class Smith of Scotland, took first with Sir Highland Acme (4106), a good show bull, a good handler, and possessing good reins. Clemons took second, with Prince Posch Pietje C. (2464) a big growthy fellow, but not showing to advantage, being somewhat lanky and immature. We will probably hear better of him in the years to come. With bull under one year Hutchinson took first, Dunkin & Hulet second. These animals were fairly good individuals, but were not particularly strong. With bull calf under one year, Dunkin & Hulet won 1st and 2nd, with two large growthy deep bodied calves. With bull calf, Smith took first with Lakeside Model Way (51521), an exceptionally fine calf, but somewhat crooked in its hind legs. This calf also won the junior championship. Clemons aged bull, mentioned before, won the senior bull championship. He is a great breeding bull. Mr. Clemons had 11 of his get on exhibition. This bull judging by the prizes won by his progeny, is a glowing example of what a good sire means to a herd. This bull also won the bull grand championship.

In the aged cow class, Clemons won first with Kaatje de Bour 3rd (1822), a grand show cow that has had a good show record. She has an official record of 16.66 lbs. butter in seven days. She is a smooth cow, down down, with lots of quality. Dunkin & Hulet took second with Perfection,

(3097), a grand cow, but not showing to advantage, being dry and heavily in calf. Dunkin & Hulet also took third with a beautiful cow which many thought should have gone second. With cow three years old, Clemons took first with Rose de Kol Teake (6076). This heifer is the oldest of the champion bull's get. She has won first at Toronto for three years in succession. Dunkin & Hulet won second with a nice heifer that had been in lactation for some time. Heifer two years old, Clemons won first with Mary Anderson (2697), an easy winner, possessing a very level, well-balanced udder. From her appearance she is every inch a performer. Clemons also won third. Dunkin & Hulet won second with a very good heifer but she was slightly lacking in quality. Heifer one year old in milk, Clemons first with Julia Arthur 3rd (7461), a small heifer but with great quality and a well developed udder. This apparently placed her above her larger competitors. Clemons also got second; Dunkin & Hulet 3rd. Heifer one year old out of milk, 1st, Clemons; 2nd Smith; 3rd and 4th Dunkin & Hulet. Heifer calf under one year, Dunkin & Hulet 1st; Clemons 2nd and 3rd; Smith, 4th. Heifer calf, Dunkin & Hulet 1st and 2nd; Clemons 3rd. Probably the most interesting class of Holsteins was four animals, the progeny of one bull. Clemons easily won 1st. He also got 3rd; Dunkin & Hulet 2nd. Here is one bull and four females over one year old, Clemons 1st and 3rd; Dunkin & Hulet 2nd. The female senior championship easily went to Clemons' aged cow Kaatje De Bour 3rd (1822) as well as the female grand championship.

#### AYRSHIRES

Ayrshires, although out in large numbers, were not as numerous as they have formerly been. There were only four herds exhibited whereas there have on previous occasions been six. In some classes the quality was much superior to that of previous years. This was especially noticeable in the milk classes. The bulls all made a very strong showing in quality and in individual merit. The aged bull Barcheskie King's Own (imp.)—20726—owned by R. R. Ness, of Howick, Que., was an outstanding figure among the Ayrshires. He easily carried off the senior championship in bulls as well as the bull grand championship. A two year old Netherhall Milkman (imp.) owned by P. D. McArthur, Georgetown, Que., gave him a hard chase for his grand championship. The judges frankly confessed afterwards that it was a toss up which bull should have it. Most of the leaders in the different classes were animals of great merit, though some of the heifers in the younger classes were inclined to be short and small in their features. The judges, Mr. W. P. Schanck, Avon, N. Y., and Mr. D. Drumond, Ottawa, made a very satisfactory job of the placing. They got along very well together and were practically unanimous in all their decisions. They judged as nearly as it was possible, by means of the scale of points as laid down and recognized by the Ayrshire Breeders' Association. A

full report of the placings of Ayrshires and Jerseys will appear in these columns next week.

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