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THE FARMER'S ADVOCATE.

POLLED-ANGUS were also represented by Mr. Cochrane, with a contingent from the herd of Mr. Stewart, Sarnia, who is new in the show rings of the country, bringing forward eight as a foretaste of what may be expected of him in future. The prizes were, therefore, divided between these two herds, the majority of the reds going to the Quebec herd.

GALLOWAYS

of Mr. Keough, Owen Sound, were headed by the bull Claverhouse, bred by Thos. Beggar & Sons, Dalbeattie, Scotland, and was purchased of his importer, Mr. McCrae, of Guelph. This is a capital specimen of this hardy breed of cattle; he carries a wealth of smooth, thick, natural flesh, and is turning out a grand sire, as many of the younger things in the herd fully show.

GRADES.

Some grand specimens of what the Shorthorn has done in grading up the cattle stock of the country is found in every show in the beautiful thick steers and heifers that grace our exhibitions—early maturity, smoothness and thickness of flesh, combined with a handsome appearance and good quality, in which none of the pure breeds can excel. The principal exhibitors were James Oke, Alvinston; John Morgan & Sons, Kerwood; and Weir Bros., St. Mary's.

HOLSTEIN CATTLE

made a capital showing, the herd of A. C. Hallman & Co., New Dundee, having fourteen magnificent animals. The young heifers of this herd are particularly promising, showing skillful breeding and careful handling. This herd took a majority of the prizes. Wyton Stock Breeders' Association, Wyton, were also forward with eleven head, most of which received recognition at the hands of the judges.

AYRSHIRES

were out in great numbers, amongst the exhibitors being Kains Bros., Byron, who had twelve, which were a very good lot. They had a particularly good yearling bull of good size and splendid appearance, his sire being imp. Stonealsay, dam Victoria, a prize-winning cow at the Provincial. A grand cow is imp. Jannie, of Auchenbrain. This firm are evidently breeding to bring out large milk development - large teats, and other practical points that tend more to the useful qualities. Their yearling and twoyear-old heifers were a particularly breedy lot. Michael Ballantyne, St. Mary's, showed seven head of these useful cattle, amongst which a yearling heifer was a capital specimen of the breed, and Geo. Hill, Delaware, had four to the front. His two-year old heifer was just the type of a good Ayrshire. He also showed some promising calves. The veteran breeder, Thos. Guy, of Oshawa, was here as usual, bearing fresh laurels won at Toronto.

Many of the flocks had been already shown at if Toronto, but still a goodly number of fresh sheep D also appeared upon the scene.

Messrs. J. G. Snell & Bro. were again on hand, and Mr. Heber Rawlings, Ravenswood, showed two shearling rams in moderate flesh. Messrs. Laidlaw & Jackson, Wilton Grove, showed three, most of their flock having been disposed of. John Park had nine out which were a nicely woolled lot. James Murray, Wilton Grove, showed two imported ewes and a ram, all bred by Mr. C. Gillet, Gloucester, England. Geo. Weeks, Glanworth, showed eight, a shearling ram of nice even quality and with an extra fleece of good, lustrous wool, bred by Russell Swanwick, Cirencester, England. Mr. Weeks' lambs and shearlings were very good, indeed, the entire lot being in nice breeding condition, although just off the grass without any special fitting. Robert Morgan, Kerwood, had fifteen which were well woolled lot, nicely covered, and having plenty of size.

LEICESTERS.

Mingo McNab, Cowal, showed ten in this class, of various ages, which were a nice useful lot, the lambs being particularly growthy. James Snell, Clinton, showed a few nice ones. There were also a lot that had come from Toroato, such as John Kelly's flock, Shakespeare, and Mr. Whitlaw, Guelph. John Laidlaw, Wilton Grove, showed seven head. Among them was a grand shearling ram, a very fine specimen of the border Leicester, imported this season. He also had out a fine lot of lambs.

LINCOLNS.

Wm. Walker, Ilderton, always a prominent exhibitor in this class, was there in good force. A. & R. Hislop, White Oak, exhibited eleven sheep that showed careful handling. Edward Humphrey, Thamesford, showed six nicely bred sheep.

SHROPSHIRES.

W. E. Wright, Glanworth, showed seven imported and four home-bred sheep in this class, which were a well woolled lot, and also some good specimens of fat sheep.

Mr. Medcraft & Son, Sparta, were forward with thirteen head of really good sheep, eight of which had been imported by themselves this season. This lot were nicely woolled and of capital quality. The imp. shearling ram, which was selected to head the flock, is a particularly good backed sheep, with great length and good quarters. John Dunkin, Brucefield, was out with a flock of ten head, the lambs being a strong growthy lot, the shearlings and older sheep possessing much quality. W. H. Beattie, Wilton Grove, is again forward with the flock he had in Toronto. Richard Gibson, Delaware. had some specimens of his this year's importation, and his aged ram, that was a Royal winner, was first here. SOUTHDOWNS. Mr. David H. Dale, Glendale, led off with a flock of beautiful imported sheep and a pair of aged ewes of his owned breeding. His shearling ram, bred by Mr. Jonas Webb, is as good a sheep as we have seen for years. His imported ram lamb shows wonderful development, and is, perhaps, the largest and best Southdown lamb ever imported. The shearling ewes from the flock of Mr. Jonas Webb are capital specimens. Taking in all, this flock makes a splendid showing, and we will be much disappointed

if they are not heard from in the future. Mr. Douglass, Galt, was also on deck with a choice lot of his own breeding.

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MERINOS

were quite largely represented, forty-nine of this breed being on the ground—Messrs. Geo. B. Deo, New Sarum, showing 9, Smith Bros. 18, R. Bailey, Union, 22. All these were from large flocks, Mr. Deo having 300, Mr. Bailey 150, Mr. Smith 157. These sheep appear to be increasing in numbers each year, Mr. J. D. More, M. P. P. for Waterloo, having a flock of 600 head. These men claim they are very profitable for the care and feed required, the wool from a well-fed flock shearing from 10 lbs. washed to 15 lbs. unwashed. They live to a great age, and drop their lambs at any season desired.

THE SHOW OF SWINE

was so large that there was not sufficient room for the exhibit in their regular sheds, therefore cattle stalls had to be made use of.

BERKSHIRES

Simmons & Quirie, Ivan and Delaware, showed ten of various ages, which were a nice, even lot. R. Gibson, Delaware, showed four very nice ones, and John Ackland, Delaware, had ten, which were a smooth, useful lot. J. G. Snell & Bro. were again out with their superb herd. H. J. Davis, Woodstock, had fourteen growthy pigs of this breed. G. C. Keys showed twelve. Among this lot were some very good ones, descended from the stock of Geo. Green, Fairview. The Berkshires made a particularly good showing, some of the specimens being grand representatives of the breed.

CHESTER WHITES

were large and good, the breeders in this class being determined to keep up the reputation of this sort. The principal exhibitors were H. George & Son, Crampton; E. D. George, Putnam; Thomas George, Putnam.

POLAND CHINAS.

R. Dorsey, Burnamthorpe, and Smith Bros., Fairfield Plains, exhibited pigs of good quality and large size, much better specimens than have been usually shown here.

SUFFOLKS

were represented by the herds of J. Featherston Springfield on the Credit, and R. Dorsey, Burn amthorpe. Part of both these herds were being exhibited at Hamilton. Mr. Kingsmill, London, who has for some years been breeding Suffolks,

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JERSEYS

were not a large exhibit, as far as numbers go, but there were some very meritorious animals forward. John O'Brien, London, showed three, a cow, a yearling bull and a bull calf. These were very fine animals, and won first in their respective classes. Mr. Rock Bailey, of Union, was also an exhibitor.

SHEEP.

The show of sheep was decidedly one of the best in the live stock department. The standard of excellence was high. Few that could be ranked in the middle grade were shown. had some very fine specimens.

LARGE YORKSHIRES were not largely shown. Jos. Featherston showed seven, and Mr. Goodger ten of this breed.

were of exceedingly good quality and nice breeding, but were not out in large numbers. They were shown by Jos. Featherston.

THE DAIRY EXHIBIT AT LONDON.

The exhibit of cheese at the Western Fair was very good, though not quite as large as it should have been. It looks as if there was a want of interest amongst our dairymen in the west, in what may be called their exhibition of dairy produce. There was evidently some new regulations, or some misunderstanding with a number of the dairymen, as five different lots of cheese arrived too late to be examined by the judges when the prizes were awarded.

The cheese and butter were judged on Friday of the first week. Formerly the dairy produce was not judged till Tuesday of the show week. Two of the lots which arrived late would have had a