



Vigorous (Imp.), 1st prize 3-year-old Clydesdale stallion. Owned and exhibited by T. H. Hassard, Millbrook, Ont.

it might have called for a much more favorable criticism.

In the CANADIAN-BRED heavy draft classes a new and better order of things prevailed. "A Canadian-bred horse shall be understood to be a horse that is foaled in Canada," was the rule for eligibility, and either the offspring of a Clydesdale or a Shire stallion. After the kind of goods one has become accustomed to look at in this class at former events, it was a genuine pleasing surprise to note the size and strength of the classes that came forward this year. In the class for four-year-old stallions four good horses were out and as they went through their paces, showing size, quality, action and style, the impression forced itself on one that the worst horse in the bunch was worth the whole string which has before now come forward in this class at Toronto. The judges were Mr. Alex. Galbraith, of Janesville, Wis., U.S.A., and Mr. J. C. Bell, of Chicago, and it scarcely need be added that the good ones came to the top every time. First in this class went to Hodgkinson & Tisdale's Royal Prince, a nice, smooth and trappy horse of medium size, good in his paces, flashy below and well brought out. He is a son of The Royal Standard imp.—2220—, and his dam is Highland Queen—2576—. Next went to a larger horse, No Surrender—3998— exhibited by Mr. Alex. Cameron, of Oshawa, a son of that noted sire of good ones, Royal Carleton. A trifle heavier than the first prize horse, he is also a good, smooth, kind, but lacked something in condition and finish, and is scarcely as flashy at the ground, but he was in his right place. Third place went to a very drafty horse of a kind that many would admire, The Duke of York—3209—, shown by H. M. Douglass, Vandeleur, Ont. sire Dandy Dimount imp., dam Miss Flashwood—1924—. He is a big, brown fellow with nice white markings, good and sound at the ground, with lots of bone, and he is very well "set up" on top, having a remarkably sloping shoulder, pleasing head and neck, and good quarters, but with a coupling that might be improved upon. Fourth in place was Glenvale Erskine, a good "moath" bay, sired by Erskine King, dam Polly New Day, and shown by Smith & Richardson, of Columbus, Ont.

In the three-year-old stallions only two competitors came to the front, but the good quality of the preceding class was even a trifle improved upon. In this class Smith & Richardson came to the front with a very promising colt in King Cobalt, a son of the good Sir Everard horse, King Cross, dam Granite Queen—873—. He is a fine colt, of pleasing appearance, and one of the nicest and smoothest of movers. Next came another good one in Gordon Montrave—497—, shown by J. Cavan, of Millbrook, and in his name one can trace his breeding from the two local horses, Montrave Matchless and Lewis Gordon.

Two-year-olds brought out a nice class, in which the firm of Graham & Renfrew, North Toronto, landed the first on a colt of Ontario County breeding, a nice smooth quality fellow with fine underpinning, sired by Corner Stone imp. For second came another from the same locality in Newbie—4462—, shown by Smith & Richardson, a good, smooth son of the Baron's Pride stallion, Ruler imp., while third came from the firm of G. Davidson & Sons, with a son of their grand old brood mare, Fair Queen, and Graham Bros.' Matchless McQueen. In the next class an own brother to this colt landed first in strong company, beating a right good one in the smooth, well-grown and stylish Dumrobin, shown by D. Gunn & Son, of Beaverton, Ont. Third came Smith & Richardson with a good promising get of their old time favorite, Lavender.

The call for three-year fillies brought out only a single entry, but she was good enough, at all events, a good thick, drafty mare, sired by Valentine. Two-year-olds had just enough to take all the money, first going to G. Davidson & Sons for Nellie Chattan, a get of Gallant Chattan, second to Smith & Richardson for Blair Gowrie Lass, a well grown get of the Hiawatha horse, Michabo, and third to Colin Cameron, of Etobicoke, for Dolly Erskine, a get of Bogie Stamp.

The class for brood mare with foal by her side was a splendid one, and the foals, in particular, were good enough to call for admiration, a flattering indication of the improvement of the draft horse in Ontario. First and second in this class went to D. Gunn & Son, of Beaverton, on Jessie Keir, a grand, flashy mare, sired by Lord Lyndock; and second on De-

vizes Maid, sired by Sir Malcolm. Third went to Graham & Renfrew for Belrose, a sweet smooth mare of the show ring kind, sired by Lyon McGregor, while outside the money were four more good ones, among them a fine Lord Lyndock chestnut shown by A. Knox, of Tuscarora, whose splendid filly by Alexander's Heir afterwards got the red ribbon for foals; G. Davidson & Sons' Fair Queen, and Hodgkinson & Tisdale's Minnie, were among the number and the kind of good ones that were unable to land a place. In the fillies second place went to G. Davidson & Sons for a fine youngster by old McQueen, with third to a grand young Clydesdale shown by D. Gunn & Son, a get of Royal Baron, and dam Devizes Maid. In the class calling for brood mare and two of her progeny, the only thing out was G. Davidson & Son's Fair Queen, and she had a double-header for the place, having four of her progeny in the group.

But best class of all was that for mare or gelding, 4 years old and over. There were eleven entries, and they were the right kind of goods. It is, perhaps, an injustice to place in competition mares and geldings, as the latter usually get it all their own way, and this was no exception to the rule, as a valuable gelding often gets years of fitting, which a mare afforded more seldom. Thus, while such mares as G. Davidson's Queen Bess and O. Sorby's Charming Elisa were led out of the ring, it was a matter of the Dominion Transport Company for the fine big gelding, Sport, with second to Charlie, and third to Bobby Burns, all fine horses and hard to beat, but it is an open question with the same fitting, the mares would not have come in for a share of the honor.

The championship in the stallions went to Smith & Richardson for their three-year-old, King Cobalt, with the head of a splendid line of post winners.

#### LIGHT HORSES

The exhibit of light horses was a very good one, especially in the harness classes. The entries were numerous and the average of decidedly superior merit to some former years. The breeding classes were generally well filled, but now and then a class would be represented by one or two animals, not enough to take the prizes offered. It was an off year in Thoroughbreds. None of the large racing stables were represented—only seven animals were entered and the chestnut stallion, Trinity, three-year-old, was champion. In the other breeds—Roadsters, Standard-bred Trotters, Coach and Carriage, Hackneys and Ponies—there was an entry of about 60 animals for each of these breeds, a total of about 300 animals in the breeding classes; 325 were entered in the harness class and 222 in the saddle and harness lists. Roadster had a good lot, and some of the fillies were of excellent quality, showing speed lines as well as a very graceful contour. Miss K. L. Wilke, Galt, won with the three-year-old filly Helen General, a beautiful dark bay, in her class and champion medal as best roadster mare of any age. The same exhibitor had the winning brood mare and foal and yearling filly, Dent Dalton, of Delhi, had the winning three-year-old filly Ardellace D, a chestnut by Shadel and Duval. In stallions the brown three-year-old, Walnut Manor, by the standard-bred Lord of the Manor, was first and champion. He is owned by his breeder, D. G. Maddock, Walnut.