

Agricultural Features Strong at the Central Canada Exhibition

THE agricultural features of the Central Canada Exhibition held at Ottawa last week were a credit to the management and to the section of the country which the exhibition represents. The exhibits of live stock in practically all departments showed a large increase over last year's marks. This was due largely to the fact that \$5,000 out of a special grant of \$5,000, received from the Dominion Government, was added to the prize list for live stock.

The exhibits of dairy cattle are always strong at Ottawa, in fact they generally surpass those shown at the Canadian National Exhibition, Toronto. While they did not do that this year they were so large and representative of the best the country can produce in the line of dairy animals, as to make the exhibit a most attractive one. A separate report is given elsewhere in this issue of these exhibits. Altogether 150 Holsteins, 180 Ayrshires, 70 Jerseys, 60 French Canadian and 40 Guernseys were shown. The animals representing the first four breeds were of high class quality, but the Guernseys were an inferior lot. It is a question if they were entitled to receive the prize money that was awarded to them.

Beef Cattle

In the beef cattle sections there was a creditable exhibit of choice animals. Eastern Ontario being a strong dairy district, the entries of beef cattle are always smaller than in the dairy cattle section. Shorthorns made the strongest showing but there were also 60 Polled Angus cattle, including some very fine ones, and 85 head of Herefords. The Shorthorn exhibitors were mainly J. A. Watt, of Elora; J. Guardhouse & Sons, of Highfield;

Kyle Bros., Drumbo; and T. Scobie & Co., Scobie, Ont. In addition there were a number of small exhibitors.

Herefords were entered mainly by W. H. and J. H. Hunter, Orangeville; James Page, Wallacestown; and B. A. Alger, Eston, Que. Polled Angus included entries from the herds of J. D. Larkin, Queenston, John Lowe, Elora; J. A. McLeod, Plainville, and Wm. Cannon, Brentwood.

Horse Classes

About 400 horses were shown, this being an increase of about 25 per cent. over last year's exhibit, due to the fact that the prize list had been increased by \$1,000. Much interest was taken in the classes for heavy horses many choice animals being brought out.

Sheep

The biggest increase in number of entries in any section was noticeable in the sheep classes, where about 400 were shown as against about 80 last year. This again was due largely to the prize money having been increased from \$400 to \$800.

Swine

The judge in the swine classes had a busy time, there being a considerable increase in entries. Yorkshires were shown principally by Joseph Featherstone & Sons, Streetville; J. E. Brethor & Nephews, Burford; and William Manning & Sons, Woodville. The principal awards were captured by Featherstone & Brethor.

In Berkshire the awards were pretty evenly distributed between W. W. Brownridge, Georgetown, Ont., and H. A. Dolson, Cheltenham, although several prize were captured by E. W. Booth, City View.

Tamworths were well represented, the main prize winner being D. Doug-

las & Sons, M. J. Bell, Ont. Some good animals were shown by T. Redmond & Sons, Streetville.

Chester Whites were shown by Daniel DeCourcy, of Mitchell; Pierre Sylvestre, Clairvaux de Bagot, Que., and M. W. Miller, Brome Centre. The prize money was well distributed among these three exhibitors.

All the prizes offered for Hampshire were taken by Pierre Sylvestre. The awards for the best pens of export bacon hogs were taken by D. J. Forth, Glen Buel; W. Manning & Sons, and Jos. Featherstone & Sons.

Horticultural Department

The new horticultural building makes the horticultural exhibit one of the best features of the exhibition, and it enables them to be shown to excellent advantage. The main feature in this building was an exhibit by the Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa, which occupied all one end of the building, which represented all departments of the farm work, and which was purely educational in nature. Hours might have been spent in examining this one feature of the exhibition.

A most attractive display of grain from the standing field crops competitions, conducted under the auspices of the agricultural societies of the pro-

vince, and displayed under the direction of Mr. J. Lockie Wilson, of Toronto, was a popular feature. The exhibit of fruit was very creditable for the Ottawa district. Some splendid vegetables were shown, including a display by the Ottawa Vegetable Growers' Association. The floral exhibits were also strong.

Dairy Features

Much interest was taken in butter making contests held in the dairy building, as well as the exhibits of butter and cheese. The prize winners in these classes are published in another column. There was a creditable display of honey and also of maple sugar products, the latter being shown by the Grimm Mfg. Co., Montreal.

The splendid new Machinery Hall is one of the best features of the exhibition. It was a large and instructive display of machinery. Many implements were shown in operation.

The amusement features were not so numerous as some years. The two attractions most enjoyed were a flying machine which ascended each afternoon, and a performance entitled "The Birth of a Nation," which was shown each night. In spite of the rainy weather the attendance was large. Several days it showed a considerable increase over last year's attendance.

The Jerseys at Ottawa

Few Herds but Close Competition

KEEN competition between old-time rivals featured practically every class in the Jerseys at Ottawa. Entries were not large but the quality of animals shown kept the judge right up on edge in sorting out the winners.

The premier honors of the ring were evenly divided between the two leading exhibitors, Brampton Rochette's-Heir, a wonderfully turned sire securing the grand championship for

B. H. Bull, while Combination Dark Buttercup carried the red ribbon for best female for R. J. Fleming, Toronto. This latter animal is a particularly showy one. Her straight lines, fine-cut head and almost perfect udder made it difficult to fault her. R. J. Fleming and B. H. Bull also won the group honors. With Brampton Rochette's-Heir, the grand champion, to head them, and followed by Patricia (second in aged class),

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