

Great Profitableness.

At the great six months test at the Pan-American Exhibition, Buffalo, each of ten competing breeds was represented by five of its best cows. The results showed that the French Canadian cattle gave more profit, in the form of churned butter, for each dollar's worth of food eaten than any other race. It is believed, moreover, that if the food supplied had been limited to such kinds only as are fed on the average farm, their superiority over all others would have been still more marked.

Every farmer has a certain quantity of food (whether it be pasture or hay) which his farm produces, and he very properly desires to know which breed will give him the greatest amount of profit in return for that food. The superior profitableness of the Canadian breed was well brought out at Buffalo, as the tables hereafter given will show.

There is one fact in connection with the Buffalo test which should be mentioned. Owing to various circumstances most of the cows which had been selected in advance to represent the "Canadians," had to be dropped out, and at the last moment others had to be chosen to fill their places. This meant of course that almost any that came to hand had to go. The result was that only three out of the five can be looked upon as worthy representatives of the breed, the other two being below the standard of the first three, one of them being moreover in calf. When noting the commanding position taken by the breed notwithstanding this handicap, it must always be remembered that if all the five cows had been up to the standard of the first three, their superiority would have been still more pronounced. For some of the tables we are able to give, for the sake of comparison, what the results would have been, had all the five cows given profit equal to the average of the best three.