

for best female, went as clearly to Faber's cow, Cridlan's yearling having reserve.

HORSES.

Yearling Shire stallions made a very good muster, the leading honors going to J. C. Jackson, for Champion's Comrade, a 400-guinea purchase at the great Tring sale. Two-year-olds were well led by Lord Rothschild's Tandridge Future King, a bouncing colt, bred by Michaelis. The winning three-year-old proved to be also the gold-medal winning stallion, F. W. Griffin's Rowington Dray King, a fine upstanding colt. J. Edgar Appleby's Royston Forest King was second.

Yearling fillies were headed, as in London, by the Duke of Westminster's Eaton Encore. Two-year-olds were not strong, but an unbeaten filly came forward in Sir Arthur Nicholson's Leek Dorothy, by Redlynch Forest King. A sensational class was that for three-year-old fillies, in which J. G. Williams led, with Halstead Duchess VII., and she subsequently took the champion gold medal, for which her half-sister, Leek Dorothy, was reserved. A good winner in the aged mare class was Sir Walpole Greenwell's Marden Peach, by Lockinge Forest King.

The male championship in Clydesdales lay between Dunlop's three-year-old stallion, The Dunure, and Brydon's yearling colt, Phillipine. Female championship went to W. Stephen's Nannie, with the brood mare, Dunure Nyrene, as reserve. Sir Cuthbert Quilter had no difficulty in heading the class for three-year-old stallions with Bawdsley Harvest King.

Kenneth Clark had many victories, too, taking two firsts for young stallions, with Sudbourne Aristocrat and Sudbourne Red Cup; two firsts for fillies, with Sudbourne Laurel and Sudbourne Merrilass; a first for mare with foal at foot, with Sudbourne Diamond, and a first for foals, the latter by Sudbourne Arabi.

HACKNEYS, ETC.

Hackneys left nothing to be desired on the score of quality. Best of the yearling stallions was Walter Brigg's Albin Brigella, a chestnut son of Albin Wildfire, the New York winner. With well-moulded head and neck, and a good mid-diepiece, he has every appearance of turning out a good sort. In senior stallions, we were introduced to the ultimate male champion, i. e., W. W. Rycroft's Hopwood King, the chestnut, bred by Sir Lees Knowles. He went very high in front, and is built on the best of lines. In a nice class of two-year-old fillies, Ernest Bewley's Beckingham Lady Gracious, a mare of what is now called classical breeding, and of beautiful mould, won for her Irish owner.

The three-year-old fillies were headed by Ernest Bewley's Woodhatch Sunflower, who had won in London ere now, and is a sweetly pretty mare to look at. The mare championship fell to Woodhatch Sunflower, and her stable companion, Beckingham Lady Gracious, was reserve—a triumph for Bewley.

Champion in Welsh pony stallions was Sir Walter Gilbey's Bledfa Shooting Star, and reserve to him stood H. Meuric Lloyd's Dyoll Starlight, the sire of the winner. Thus was the London decision reversed. Other firsts were R. H. Sampson's Bryngwili Bright Light, Mrs. Green's Nantyrharn Starlight, and Miss E. C. V. Hughes' Hawddgar Piccadilly. The champion mare was Nantyrharn Starlight.

Champion in Shetland ponies fell to W. Mungall, for the stallion Selwood of Fransy. Best of the mares was W. Mungall's Stella, and she was also reserve for the championship.

Cleveland Bays were good in quality, though short in numbers. First-prize stallion was John Lett's Rillington Victor. First for mares was J. Webster's Harcome Beauty.

SHEEP.

In Oxford Down yearling rams, first and second were owned by James Horlick. The single ram lamb class brought out a fine group, showing development, and plenty of strength and substance. The winner, owned by H. W. Stilgoe, was an admirable lamb, with an overwhelming wealth of flesh, masculine type, and bone.

In aged Shropshire rams, the leader was noticeable, for he was that very for A. Tanner. This is a ram teeming in the corresponding class at Shrewsbury for A. Tanner. This is a ram teeming with quality, yet covered with good flesh, has a beautiful touch, and is true

to type. Eleven pens of five yearling rams made up a meritorious class; in fact, the winners, owned by Mrs. W. F. Inge, were of very superior quality, notably in respect of flesh, fleece, and skin.

In Southdowns, a fine entry numbered sixty-six pens. The aged ram class winner (to which champion honors subsequently went) was a very deep, wide sheep, owned by C. R. W. Adeane, a ram of very good character, with a wealth of flesh and good fleece, that must make him a desirable stud sheep. Pens of three yearling rams numbered nine, and Sir J. Colman, in taking first and second, scored a notable success. As six rams, they were beautifully matched.

In the yearling ewe class, the position of previous shows was somewhat varied, H. M. the King sending out to win a very excellent pen, firm and good in their flesh, and well matched in other respects. They also took the championship honors as being the leading pen of females.

The aged ram class in Hampshire Downs was a good one, numbering six, and a ram of great scale, substance, and width of carcass, led for H. C. Stephens. Twenty ram lambs made up a very excellent class. H. C. Stephens won with one that had all the attributes of a stud ram lamb, being good from all viewpoints, and he subsequently secured champion honors as the best lamb in the show.

The aged ram class in Kent sheep numbered thirteen. Few more typical rams have ever led than Robert Kenward's Udimore No. 12 of 1911, which also won championship. Twenty-nine yearling rams made up a strong class, and to take first, second, third, and h. c., as J. E. Queded did, winning also the reserve for champion honors with the leading ram, was a success quite startling.

For pens of five, an entry of eleven was made. Here, again, Queded's led the way. Few better pens of five rams have ever won in this class. Ram lambs had for their winners three, showing great scale, bone, and substance, with well-covered heads, owned by S. W. Millen, whose success upon his first entry at the Royal is deserving of congratulation.

Lincolns totalled sixty-seven. In two-shear rams, Herbert Pears, with a ram bred by his father, won. It is a ram of grand type, fleece and flesh, to which subsequently the reserve for championship honors went.

Yearling rams numbered fifteen. Here the late H. Dudding's Riby flock went ahead, for first, second, and reserve honors were won. A class for five rams was a strong one, with eleven entries. H. Smith, Jr.'s, was adjudged best, and the position was secured by a pen that scored in evenness of size, substance, and bone. Dudding's won the championship plate outright.

PIGS.

Best of the aged Berkshire boars undoubtedly was L. Currie's Minley Warrior, and his quality, length, substance, and masculine character entitled him to his position, and also to winner of special as best Berkshire. Minley Primrose, L. Currie's sow, also won first prize in her class.

In aged Tamworth boars, C. L. Coxon's was undoubtedly the best; his length of carcass and quality of flesh also helped to secure for the boar the medal for best male. In sows farrowed in 1912, Henry C. Stephens took not only first prize, but medal for best sow, and well did she deserve her high position.

In Middle Whites, first aged boar, exhibited by Leopold Paget, was full of merit. In the aged sow class, C. Spencer's beautiful sow, Holywell Perfection, got the highest position, not only in her class, but as the best of the females of the breed. This sow is on short legs, yet is long in the body, and of fine quality.

In Large Whites, Sir Gilbert Greenall, Edmund Wherry, J. and R. Purvis, R. E. W. Stephenson, and D. R. Daybell, won lion's share of classes, Sir Gilbert's stock taking three firsts.

In Large Blacks, first were scored by Messrs. T. F. Hooley, K. M. Clark, S. A. Stimpson, W. Wills, J. Warne, and W. H. Whitley.

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