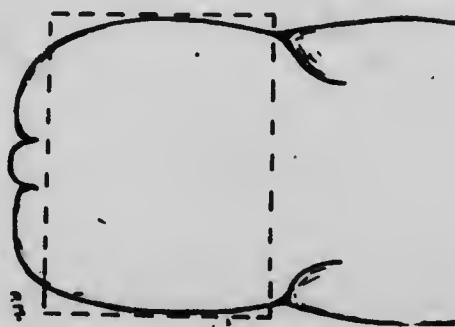


2.—The depth of barrel, between the top and under-line, indicating the depth of chest and the good development without exaggeration of the digestive organs.

3.—The breadth of barrel between the lateral-lines. The whole body should be wide, broad at the withers between the shoulders, the vertebrae not being salient; wide at the loin, which will furnish a nice fleshy chop.

Making a step or two backwards we will examine the length of the limbs which being of little value will be very short; the barrel being as near the ground as possible.



Squareness of rump

One must examine the sheep from the rear. The sheep or ram must be wide at the hook-bones and pin-bones (hips and buttocks). Looking over the animal the rump must not resemble a trapesoid, the wide base of which would be at the hips and the narrow base at the buttocks.

On the contrary the 4 lines bordering the rump must circumscribe a real square.