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easily demonstrated, going evenly and true all round, both at walk and trot, with his hocks well together and in fu'l command; it was not so hard a task as many thought to put the Senator first. In two year-old class, 1st went to Prince Darnley, a quality sort, over Prince Mahomet, a bigger and built more on the lines of a draft horse; both sons of Prince Patrick, the Columbian winner, who, if he has proved a success in the stud, has up to now wasted his sweetness on the desert air, or perhaps the produce of his loins are doing hard labor in the Minnesota woods. They certainly have

hard labor in the Minnesota woods. They certainly have not created a sensation in the prizerings, and though they win here there is nothing to beat. A fair yearling was, however, in evidence, having Lillie McGregor for dam. With such a mare a "Gipsy's" horse might succeed in getting a prizewinner. In mares, Lady Darnley had but a commoner to beat, and in two year-old class the prize went to another St. Patrick, not a "terror" by any means, but a saferwards assigned the sweepstakes for best mare she was afterwards assigned the sweepstakes for best mare, The Abbot capturing the coveted purple in male classes.

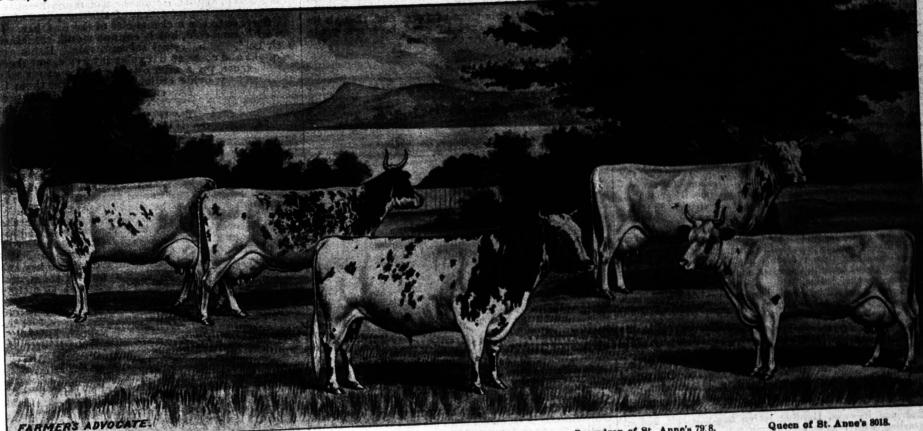
SHIRES. The competition was between Burgess & Sons and Iams, with the former in the lead. As the boys remarked, when Bob was showing his lot, "Bob's a dandy; you can't beat him!" His friend, Peter Hapley, renders it thusly: "Bob's an artist." He showed his artistic work again in the Percheron classes, much to the disgust of McLaughlin Bros. The other breeds call for no comment, as our Cana dian readers are so little interested in them. In Hackneys, Burgess & Son were the only competitors, and in Suffolks, Peter Hapley showed a good lot.

CATTLE. Shorthorns, by virtue of their superiority and ancient only two competitors in the aged bull class were the two Canadian-bred bulls, St. Valentine, bred by Jas Gardhouse & Son, by Guardsman 108200, dam Verbena's Lady, by in sweepstake classes, he would have found in Nave's tworecords, were assigned priority in the judging ring. The only two competitors in the aged bull class were the two

He is smoother, truer made, than his rival; has longer quarters, and is as thick on plates; he lacks on top of shoulder (not chine) and is inclined to roll a little, but not so much as the other—by inches longer, and in hind quarter truer made. Looking over St Valentine's pedigree, I notice that his g. dam is a daughter of Royal Windsor, a white. Well do I remember him, and a good one he was. He was by Windsor-Fitz-Windsor. In 1870, I accompanied Tom Booth to Carperby to see Mr. Willis' herd. Windsor-Fitz-Windsor, the bull in service, was led out. I remarked: What a grand bull, but queer in his buttocks." Mr. Booth replied : "Yes, we call them vulgar." said they were bottled ended (that was not just the term, but it implies the same), and with it they associated the lairy, or double-laired, meat. We abhor it, and breed away from it as much as possible." And now the oracles proclaim that this same hind quarter, tabood across the Atlandard that the same hind quarter is the same hind quarter. tic years and years ago, is a Cruickshank characteristic. The Scotch cattle have enough faults to carry without being saddled with one with which they are unjustly charged as saddled with one with which they are unjustly charged as far as my observation goes. I may be wrong. Here let me add that a Guardhouse bull now heads my herd, so that I can't be accused of antipathy to the blood. Nominee, the Canadian champion, was bred by Gaunt & Sons, by Earl of Moray, out of a g dam by Baron Stanley, bred by writer, and son of 22nd Duke of Airdrie. This was a surprise when looking up the redigment of a return and return and return. prise when looking up the pedigree on return; and remembering Baron as a prizewinner, the thought may be pardoned if to Stanley some of the honors gained at Omaha may be ascribed. In two-year-olds. Mr Brown's Viscount of Anoka, bred by Geo. Harding & Son, Waukesha, Wis, was an easy first. A red-roan in color, and with that color a hide whose seal-like touch can only be associated with it. This touch had in connection a furry coat—the delight of

up Devons that have been worshipped of late), not smooth enough for first honors at such a show as this where the main prizes were when the breeds would come in competition, but likely to prove a better matron than either placed ahead if bred to suitable bulls. Two year-olds call for no comment—there not being a real good one in the outfit. It was simply selecting the one which would be the most likely to win when in competition with the other breeds in aweepstake classes. The lat went to Ward's Nora Valentine, a round-ribbed, thick, good heifer, lumpy at rumps and roughly-turned on back. She was thickly covered with dealy or lein away if it was down simple. ered with flesh on loin, even if it was down—simply a matter of being overdone. The new lights probably don't know the difference, but there is such a thing as a weak loin with no flesh, and one that has not the convex arch, but is still well covered. Mr. Robbins informed the writer she was their favorite, and as breeder and feeder he ought to know. The scribblers went for the coarse, upstanding, to know. The scribblers went for the coarse, upstanding, free martin-looking four year-old—a gross miscenception of what a two-year-old Shorthern ought to be. Second, was placed upon one bred by Westrope, a pretty little overdone creature—a trembling, jelly-like delicacy; touch her rumps, and a beautiful ripple might be noticed until it reached her ears, which gallantly responded! It reminded one of waves of ocean playfully occursing each other onto the beach. Yearlings and calves require no comment—onto a good one in the whole lot. In all classes below cows the Canadian winners could have won 1st, 2nd and 3rd, and there were at least nine better calves at Toronto than and there were at least nine better calves at Toronto than at Omaha.

HEREFORDS made the sensational show of the yard. The exhibitors in this class are enterprising, progressive and aggressive. The Hereford Breeders' Association supplemented the Exposition Company's pr ze offerings by \$3 000 do lars of their own money, which resulted in bringing out probably the strengest display of the breed ever seen in America. Nineteen of the



drop of St. Anne's 79:8. FIRST PRIZE HERD OF AYRSHIRES AT TORONTO INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION, AND WESTERN FAIR, LONDON, 1898. PROPERTY OF B. REFORD, "TREDINNOCK FARM," ST. ANNE DE BELLEVUE, QUEBEC. (FOR REVIEW OF HERD, SEE GOSSIP.) Lady Stirling 3rd 6230.

things, amongst others the vulgar buttocks of St. Valentine, which put him back below Nomisee. As most of your readers must be aware, St. Valentine and Nominee were the respective champions of the breed last year in U.S. and Canada respectively. St. Valentine is great in his depth and wealth of flesh and blubber, also breadth of breech—a butcher's block—one side even the other very rough. His handler must be given credit for seldom allowing the latter to be in view. Nominee's strength is in his levelness, scale, and bloom—a breeder's model in breeding condition. As the critic of the newspaper brigade in the U.S. writes: "If ever Ewart presents him as richly furnished as is St. Valentine, his right to win will not be seriously discussed. As the lead dog gives tongue the puppies respond Now, where are we at? Bear in mind this is a breeders' class, ostensibly for breeding animals, and yet we are told if
Ewart can get Nominee into the state of obesity that St. Valentine presented, he may win. What a farce! St. Valentine reminds one of the "gouty old commodore," for if he had not the gout, his legs and hocks were puffy, as not to be described as "overdone," but actually "gone." I was abused for the decision. By whom? Men who never fed was abused for the decision. By whom? Men who never fed a winner, and who only know them over their office desks. Yet they "wade in." But I presume there is some method in their madness. When I say that the bull Ewart is told to get into show shape another year weighs 2 525 lbs. (official weight), against the wonderful 2,565 lbs., the dictum falls to the ground. And if the wonder, with age in his favor comes again next year and bests the property. (official weight), against the wonderful 2,565 lbs., the dictum fal's to the ground. And if the wonder, with age in his favor, comes again next year and beats the present victor, I will give in to the pettyfoggers. But as they have victor, I will give in to the pettyfoggers. But as they have damned him this year he will have a hard row to hoe next. damned him this year he will have a hard row to hoe next. To describe them: Nominee, in breeding condition, is active, and, as his weight indicates, carries sufficient flesh.

Reporter, g. dam Imported Verbena, bred by Jno. Outhwaite, by Royal Windsor. Until I had a chance to look up closer to the ground, was an ideal butch-r's animal, filled closer to the ground, was an ideal butch-r's animal, filled closer to tail as full as a bologue sausage, and with as from nose to tail as full as a bologue sausage, and with as from nose to tail as full as a bologue sausage, and with as from nose to tail as full as a bologue sausage, and with as few lumps or holes; still, he lacked quality and size and few lumps or holes; still he lacked quality and size and few lumps or holes; still he lacked quality and size and few lumps or holes; still he lacked quality and size and few lumps or holes; still he lacked quality and size and few lumps or holes; still he lacked quality and size and few lumps or holes; still he lacked quality and size and few lumps or holes; aristocratic lineaments, whereas the Shorthorn was teeming over with each. It would have been a pretty fight—the odds a little in favor of the Hereford—the writer would certainly have put him sweepst-kes Hereford. Westrope was 2nd with a light roan; Young Abbotsburn 2nd, that has been described as coarse. His head certainly was not chiseled out for a beauty show, but it was mascu ine, and in connection. in connection was to be found something of more consequence—a smooth and truer-made carcass than any placed behind. The Brown-tred bull placed 3rd, Gold Dust, shown by Ward, was rough, lumpy, and lacked character; while the 4th, Courtier, bred by C. C. Norton, and shown by the Iowa Agricultural College Farm, for whom \$1,000 was refused, was simply in his work-day c'othes and could not be guessed upon. Neither yearling nor calves require comment. At Toronto they would simp'y have been deigned with a glance. In the cow class, six put in an appearance. Mr. Brown's Spicey of Browndale was an easy winner. an easy winner. She was as though put on exhibition by some bicycle-tire manufacturer—to show how his tires could be filled without rupture—smooth to a fault; not even enough wrinkles or lumps were discerned to describe her as anything else; lacking in character, and tail nicked at steting on, describes her faults. She was Scotch, and one must not expect too much refinement. As Strafford used to say, "They savored more of the scullery than of the drawing room." Ward was 2nd with Monarch's Lady,

leading herds from aix of the great Western States were represented, and, with the exception of the section for aged bulls, which had only two entries, every ring in the class was well filled with high-class animals brought out in splendid condition. Sotham's Sir Bredwell was placed first in the competition for aged bulls, and Funkhouser's Free Lance second. The sensation of the class was the competition in the two-year-old ring of bulls, which brought a remarkable display of grand animals. Mr. Nave's Dale 66481, a phenomenally good one, who had beaten Sir Bredwell in the class for three-year-olds at Springfield, but was eligible for the two-year old ring under the rules for computing ages here, was a clean winner in a great class, and, as ing ages here, was a clean winner in a great class, and, as before intimated, was our favorite for sweepstakes, an honor, however, which by the grace of the judge fell to Sir Bredwell. Sotham's Thickset was second, and Scott & March's Hesiod 29th third In yearling bulls, 1st went to Steward & Hutchison on Bovic, 2nd to Van Natta on Lincoln, and 3rd to Cross on Climax. A splendid class of 17 cows was forward, and Furkhouser found the 1st prize winner in his sonsie Dewdrop, by Hesoid 2nd, the 2nd place being given to Cross' Beau Real's Maid, and 3rd to Nave's Atoka. Eleven two-year-old heifers competed, and the winner was found in Nave's Dolly 5th by Java, a brother of Jack, the champion steer at Chicago last year and 1st in his class at Brantford. Cross had the lst prize yearling in Diana, by Archibald 5th, the winning calf on the circuit last year. Nave won the senior herd prize, with Funkhouser 2nd and Sotham 3rd. There were 8 entries in the competition for the young herd prizes — a most interesting show, in which Funkhouser was placed 1st, Cross 2nd, and Sotham 3rd. Sotham won for the get of one sire on the progeny of Corrector; and also on the best pair of either sex, produce of one cow, with Sir Bredwell and Penefice; and the same exhibitor had the sweepstakes bull in Sir Bredwell. Funkhouser's Dewdrop was made champion female. The class was well indeed by Claude Makin of Kanasa