

SEPTEMBER 16, 1909

Bartlett. Ewe, any age, champion—Harding. Pen: 1 ram lamb and 3 ewe lambs, bred by exhibitor—1, Bartlett; 2, Harding. Pen: 1 ram, 2 ewes one year old and under three years, and 2 ewe lambs—1, Harding; 2, Bartlett. Pen: 1 ram, 2 ewes one year old and under three years, and 2 ewe lambs, bred by exhibitor—1, Bartlett; 2, Harding. Wether, under 2 years—1 and 2, Harding.

SHROPSHIRE.—Five Shropshire exhibitors responded: Oak Park Stock Farm Co., Brantford; J. Lloyd Jones, Burford; W. D. Monkman, Bond Head; Hamner & Hodgson, Brantford, and J. & D. J. Campbell, Woodville, Ont. The contest was keen, quality of exhibits good to choice, and as in several other instances, Canadian-breds won over imported ones, by capturing the open pen premium.

J. Lloyd Jones made a capital showing with imported sheep in a couple of sections, while Hamner & Hodgson won in aged rams, Campbells getting the three other firsts in sections. Of the five first pen prizes offered in opens and specials, Hamner & Hodgson secured one, and Campbells four. H. Noel Gibson, of Millbrook, New York State, awarded the prizes as follows:

Ram, 2 shears and over—1 and 3, Hamner & Hodgson; 2, Campbell. Ram, shearling—1 and 3, Lloyd Jones; 2, Hamner & Hodgson. Ram lamb—1, 3 and 4, Campbell; 2, Hamner & Hodgson. Ram, any age, champion—Hamner & Hodgson. Ewe, 2 shears and under 3—1, Lloyd Jones; 2, Hamner & Hodgson; 3, Campbell. Ewe, shearling—1 and 3, Campbell; 2, Hamner & Hodgson. Ewe lamb—1 and 2, Campbell; 3 and 4, Hamner & Hodgson. Ewe, any age, champion—Campbell. Pen: 1 ram lamb and 3 ewe lambs, bred by exhibitor—1, Campbell; 2, Hamner & Hodgson. Pen: 1 ram, 2 ewes one year old and under three, and 2 ewe lambs—1, Campbell; 2, Lloyd Jones. Pen: 1 ram, 2 ewes and 2 ewe lambs, bred by exhibitor—1, Hamner & Hodgson; 2, Campbell. Wether, under 2 years—1 and 2, Campbell.

SOUTHDOWNS were a capital lot. While a number of real good ones recently imported were forward, yet those of Canadian breeding stood the test of comparison very well. Four flocks made the show, and were of right good quality. The officiating judge declared the whole exhibit to be of high order, and reflected credit on the breeders who showed. Frank Klienheit, of Madison, Wisconsin, who is on the staff of the Wisconsin Experimental Station, and is generally conceded to be one of the most expert fitters and judges of sheep in the United States, awarded the premiums. His thorough, careful and close examination of the sections was noted by all, and the contestants felt that the strictest justice was given in placing the awards.

Ram, 2 shears and over—1, Robt. McEwen, Byron, Ont.; 2 and 3, J. Lloyd Jones, Burford, Ont. Ram, shearling—1, McEwen; 2, W. J. Martin, Binbrook, Ont.; 3, Lloyd Jones. Ram lamb—1, Lloyd Jones; 2, McEwen; 3, Martin. Ram, any age, champion—McEwen. Ewe, 2 shears and under 3—1, Geo. Baker, Paris, Ont.; 2, Lloyd Jones; 3, McEwen. Ewe, shearling—1, Lloyd Jones; 2, Baker; 3, McEwen. Ewe lamb—1 and 2, Lloyd Jones; 3, Martin; 4, McEwen. Ewe, any age, champion—Lloyd Jones. Pen: 1 ram lamb and 3 ewe lambs, bred by exhibitor—1, Martin; 2, McEwen. Pen: 1 ram, 2 ewes one year old and under three years, and 2 ewe lambs—1, Lloyd Jones; 2, McEwen. Pen: 1 ram, 2 ewes one year old and under three years, and 2 ewe lambs, bred by exhibitor—1, McEwen; 2, Martin. Wether, under 2 years—1, Baker; 2, McEwen.

HAMPSHIRE were shown by John Kelly, Shakespeare, and Teller Bros., Paris, Ont., of true type and choice quality. Again did the Canadian-bred sheep and lambs hold their own in competition with imported stock. Size, quality and uniformity were apparent in every section. The exhibitors have cause to be well pleased with the results of their doings in their flocks the past twelve months. Noel Gibson, who also judged Shropshires, made the awards as follows:

Ram, 2 shears and over—1, Kelly. Ram, shearling—1 and 2, Kelly; 3, Teller Bros. Ram lamb—1, 3 and 4, Kelly; 2, Teller Bros. Ram, any age, champion—Kelly. Ewe, 2 shears and under 3—1, Kelly; 2 and 3, Teller Bros. Ewe, shearling—1 and 2, Teller Bros.; 3, Kelly. Ewe lamb—1 and 3, Kelly; 2 and 4, Teller Bros. Ewe, any age, champion—Teller Bros. Pen: 1 ram lamb and 3 ewe lambs, bred by exhibitor—1, Kelly; 2, Teller Bros. Pen: 1 ram, 2 ewes one year old and under three, and 2 ewe lambs—1, Teller Bros. Pen: 1 ram, 2 ewes one year old and under three, and 2 ewe lambs, all bred by exhibitor—1 and 2, Kelly. Wether, under 2 years—1, Kelly; 2, Teller Bros.

LINCOLNS. Judged by John Gardhouse, of Highfield, Ont., were brought out by two new exhibitors at Toronto, while the former showmen of many years standing were conspicuous by their absence. It was a strong class, and the good reputation of the breed was well maintained by R. T. Robson, of Elderton, and John Lee & Son, Highgate, Ont., who divided honors with the Elderton flock, winning the two championships. Awards are:

Ram, 2 shears and over—1, Lee & Son; 2 and

3, Robson. Ram, shearling—1 and 3, Robson; 2, Lee & Son. Ram lamb—1 and 3, Lee & Son; 2 and 4, Robson. Ram, any age, champion—Robson. Ewe, 2 shears and under 3—1 and 3, Robson; 2, Lee & Son. Ewe, shearling—1, Robson; 2, Lee & Son. Ewe lamb—1 and 2, Lee & Son; 3, Robson; 4, Lee & Son. Ewe, any age, champion—Robson. Pen: 1 ram lamb and 3 ewe lambs, bred by exhibitor—1, Lee & Son; 2, Robson. Pen: 1 ram, 2 ewes one year old and under three, and 2 ewe lambs—1, Robson; 2, Lee & Son. Wether, under 2 years—1, Robson.

This finished the judging in the sheep barn, and not a word of dissatisfaction from exhibitors regarding the awards was heard. For a pleasant time, to all directly interested, probably the week made a record. The management, though, has margin to mend methods considerably.

Swine.

This year showed a slight falling off in number of entries in the swine exhibit, accounted for by those breeders whose opinion is authority to the active demand during the last few months for breeding stock. Very little change was noticeable in the list of exhibitors of the various breeds this year from that of several years past. This is not a desirable condition. Surely the international reputation of the familiar swine exhibitors at this great show, as breeders of the "world's best," which is vouched for by members of the commission recently sent to Europe to investigate the conditions of the pork-packing industry of the several countries where that industry is in a flourishing condition, after looking over the leading herds of the several countries visited, their unanimous opinion being that nowhere did they see pure-bred hogs of any breed that could compete with Canada's production in the show-rings—should not act as a barrier to the younger breeders coming out to measure swords with the older exhibitors, for certain it is there is no other factor so potent a one to stimulate young breeders to strive for excellence and perfection of type and fitting as a little beating at a show of the world-renowned reputation of the Canada National.

BERKSHIRES.—The first breed to come out for honors before the critical eyes of the judges, S. Dolson, of Alton, and E. E. Martin, of Canning, were the Berkshires. Numerically, they were about the same as last year, but the quality and fitting was slightly below the average. The judges, generally, throughout the various sections, showed careful selection in the placing of the awards, although in some cases taking considerable more time than appeared necessary. Practically the only section in which our wisdom took exception to the judges' award was in the aged boar class, first going to an exceptionally thick, fat hog, of a type of forty years ago; today, only fit for the vat of a soapmaker. We cannot see things with any other eye than that Berkshire breeders, acting as judges, are simply driving a nail in the popularity of their own breed by handing awards to this class of hogs, when good types of up-to-date bacon hogs are in the same ring, as in the second-prize animal in this case. The exhibitors were: T. A. Cox, Brantford, fresh from his success at the Western shows; W. W. Brownridge, Ashgrove; T. Teasdale & Sons, Concord; P. W. Boynton & Son, Dallas; W. A. Shields, Milton; E. Jeffs & Son, Bond Head; Geo. Wood, Islington; W. Wilson, Brampton, and E. T. Choate, Brampton. Following are the awards in this class: Boar, 2 years and over—1, Wm. Wilson; 2, T. A. Cox; 3, D. Douglas & Son. Boar, 18 months and under 2 years—1, Teasdale; 2, Wood; 3, Cox. Boar over 12 and under 18 months—1, Choate; 2, Teasdale; 3, Cox. Boar, over 6 and under 12 months—1, Teasdale (this boar afterwards winning champion-ship, and silver medal for best boar any age); 2, Brownridge; 3, Cox. Boar under 6 months—1 and 3, Shields; 2 and 4, Teasdale. Sow, 2 years and over—1, 2 and 3, Cox. Sow, over 18 months and under 2 years—1, Cox; 2, Brownridge; 3, Boynton, championship going to entry of T. A. Cox in this class. Sow, over 12 and under 18 months—1 and 2, Cox; 3, Brownridge. Sow, over 6 and under 12 months—1 and 2, Brownridge; 3, Shields; 4, Cox. Sow under 6 months—1, Shields; 2, Teasdale; 3, Boynton; 4, Cox. Herd—1 and 3, Cox; 2, Brownridge; 4, Teasdale. Four pigs under six months, the get of one boar—1, Shields; 2, Teasdale. Four pigs under 6 months, the produce of one sow, went the same.

CHESTER WHITES. For the first time in several years past, a separate class was on the boards for this breed. We believe this is a move in the right direction, for the Chester Whites are certainly gaining in popularity. The exhibit was a most creditable one both in size and quality, for it must be known that the Chester Whites are most rigid growers. The judge, G. B. Hood, of Guelph, handed out the awards with satisfaction and despatch. The exhibitors were D. DeCourcy, of Berthelme; W. F. Wright, of Glenworth and R. O. Morrow, of Hilton. Boar, 2 years and over—1 and 2, DeCourcy; 3, Wright. Boar, over 1 year and under 2—1, Morrow; 2 and

3, DeCourcy. Boar, over 6 and under 12 months—1, Wright; 2 and 3, DeCourcy. Boar under 6 months—1 and 2, DeCourcy; 3, Wright. Sow, 2 years and over—1 and 2, DeCourcy; 3, Morrow. Sow, over 18 months and under 2 years—1, DeCourcy; 2, Morrow; 3, Wright. Sow, over 12 and under 18 months—1 and 3, DeCourcy; 2, Wright. Sow over 6 and under 12 months—1, DeCourcy; 2 and 3, Wright. Sow under 6 months—1 and 2, Wright; 3, DeCourcy. Herd—1 and 2, DeCourcy; 3, Morrow.

TAMWORTHIS.—The Tamworth exhibit was one of the best ever seen at Toronto, or, as a visitor from Uncle Sam's country was heard to say, away the best he ever saw anywhere. Certain it is the animals were brought out in the pink of fit, an exceptionally high-class lot, but a most regrettable fact, plainly discernible, was the away-over-age for their class of some of them. When will judges get backbone enough to throw out hogs plainly over age? In this class, J. C. Nichol, of Hubrey, placed the ribbons, the exhibitors being the well-known breeders, D. Douglas & Sons, Mitchell; R. O. Morrow, Hilton, and H. Germain, St. George. Boar, 2 years and over—1 and 2, Douglas; 3, Germain; 4, Morrow. Boar over 18 months and under 2 years—1, Morrow; 2, Douglas. Boar over 12 and under 18 months—1, Douglas; 2, Morrow; 3, T. Readman. Boar over 6 and under 12 months—1 and 2, Douglas; 3, Germain; 4, Morrow. Boar under 6 months—1, Douglas; 2 and 3, Germain; 4, Morrow. Sow, 2 years and over—1, Morrow; 2 and 3, Douglas. Sow over 18 months and under 2 years—1, 2 and 4, Douglas; 3, Morrow. Sow over 12 and under 18 months—1, 2 and 3, Douglas; 4, Morrow. Sow over 6 and under 12 months—1 and 2, Douglas; 3 and 4, Morrow. Sow under 6 months—1 and 2, Douglas; 3 and 4, Germain. Herd—1, 2 and 4, Douglas; 3, Morrow. Four pigs under 6 months, the get of one boar—1 and 3, Douglas; 2, Germain. Four pigs under 6 months, the produce of one sow, went the same. Championship for best boar any age went to Douglas on their aged entry. Championship for best sow any age went to R. O. Morrow on his entry in the aged class.

YORKSHIRES.—The Yorkshire exhibit was one of the best ever seen at this show, or probably any other show in any country since the breed has been known and bred, when the fact is taken into consideration that many of the entries this year would tip the scales at from 900 to 1,100 pounds, coupled with which was a type ideal from the packer's standpoint, all showing a perfection of fitting, with scarcely a sign of overfitting. Some idea may be gained of the excellent character of the exhibit by the many flattering words of praise heard on all sides from the admiring crowd. And what was of vastly more importance to us as Canadians was the fact that every hog shown in this class was bred and raised in Canada. The awards were placed by R. J. Garbut, of Belleville, and J. E. Brethour, of Burford, both with an international reputation as experts, which to a measure probably accounts for the occasional locking of horns that called for the third man in a few cases. The exhibitors were the well-known breeders, D. C. Flatt & Son, of Millgrove; J. Featherstone & Son, Streetsville, and J. Wilson & Sons, Fergus; and to say that this year each of these noted firms excelled themselves in the character and quality of their exhibit is but leaving the truth half told. Boar, 2 years and over—1, Flatt; 2, Featherstone; 3 and 4, Wilson. Boar, 18 months and under 2 years—1, Flatt; 2 and 4, Featherstone; 3, Wilson. Boar over 12 and under 18 months—1 and 2, Flatt; 3 and 4, Featherstone; Wilson did not show in this class. Boar over 6 and under 12 months—1 and 3, Flatt; 2 and 4, Featherstone. Boar under 6 months—1, 3 and 4, Flatt; 2, Featherstone. Sow, 2 years and over—1, 3 and 4, Flatt; 2, Featherstone. Sow over 18 months and under 2 years—1 and 2, Flatt; 3, Wilson; 4, Featherstone. Sow over 12 and under 18 months—1 and 4, Flatt; 2, Featherstone; 3, Wilson. Sow over 6 and under 12 months—1 and 4, Wilson; 2 and 3, Featherstone. Flatt did not show in this class. Sow under six months—1 and 4, Featherstone; 2 and 3, Flatt. Herd—Not settled at date of writing, on account of some error of entry. Four pigs under 6 months, the get of one boar—1 and 3, Flatt; 2, Featherstone. Four pigs under 6 months, the produce of one sow, went the same. Both the boar and sow championships went to the Millgrove herd of D. C. Flatt & Son.

ANY OTHER BREED brought together for competition the Hampshire or White belted, exhibited by Porter Bros., of Appleton, and Hastings Bros., of Crosshill; and Black Essex, exhibited by J. Featherstone & Son, of Streetsville, the judges being S. Dolson, of Alton; E. E. Martin, of Canning, and J. C. Nichol, of Hubrey. Boar 2 years and over—1, Featherstone; 2, Hastings. Boar over 1 year and under 2 years—1, Porter Bros.; 2, Featherstone. Boar over 6 and under 12 months—1 and 2, Hastings. Boar under 6 months—1 and 2, Hastings; 3, Porter. Sow, 2 years and over—1, Hastings; 2, Featherstone. Sow over 18