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THE FARMER'S ADVOCATE.

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The herd prizes were placed in this order : J. H. Smith & Son, first; W. Rolph, second; Geo. Smith & Son, third; B. H. Bull & Son, fourth. The sweepstakes for best female any age went to J. H. Smith & Son's cow, Signal's Rosa May.

GUERNSEYS.

There was a larger representation than usual of the yellow-skinned Guernseys, The exhibitors were: W. H. & C. H. McNish, Lyn; Wm. Butler & Son, Dereham Centre; J. N. Greenshields, Danville; and Alex. Wallace, Verschoyle. The last named exhibitor had the first prize bull over three years, which was also winner of the sweepstakes as best bull in his class. Mr. Butler's imported cow, Iona, arrived on the grounds, from quarantine, just a few minutes too late to compete in her class, but was in time for the sweepstakes competition, and won the medal for best female in the class. She is a very superior specimen of the breed, showing great constitution and a well-formed udder, a feature which is too often found lacking in this very useful breed of dairy cattle.

HOLSTEINS.

Last, but by no means least, we review the black and white representatives of Holland's favorite dairy breed. The exhibit in this class was quite up to the usual standard in numbers and excellence. There were eight exhibitors, seven of whom had entries for the herd prizes, and all of these were on hand. Mr. H. Langworthy, of Edmeston, N. Y., was the single judge. The class for aged bulls was well filled, the first prize going to C. J. Gilroy & Son, for Inka Kathleen's son, a bull of great substance, fine quality, and rare dairy form. The second place was given to G. W. Clemons' Count Mink Mercedes, bred by Smith Bros., Churchville; and third prize went to R. S. Stevenson's Netherland Consul, the sweepstakes bull here last year. A. Hoover, Emery, had the first prize two-year-old bull, Baron Witzyde, a smooth fellow of fine quality. A. & G. Rice had a good second in Sir Paul de Kol Clothilde. In one-year-old bulls Mr. Clemons came to the front with his imported Sir P. J. Mechthilde, a richly-bred and fine-looking bull. Gilroy & Son had the first prize bull calf in Jennie E. 4th's Sir Pietert je 1039, an extraordinary young bull, full of quality, and with fine dairy form. This calf was later awarded the medal in the sweepstakes contest as best bull any age in the class.

There was a grand display of cows. Eighteen were entered, and sixteen put in an appearance, including such noted prize-winners as Gilroy's Carmen Sylvia, Clemons' Cornelia Tensen, Rice's Eunice Clay and Calamity Jane, and Ellis' Prin-cess Lida and Maud Tensen. The first prize on this occasion went to Carmen Sylvia, the winner of the milking test here last year a handcome young course milking test here last year, a handsome young cow of fine dairy form and carrying an evenly-balanced udder. The grand old matron, Cornelia Tensen, was given second place, and it is a question whether she might not well have been placed at the top, for she is the highest type of a great dairy cow in form, in size and shape of udder, and in milk-vein develop-ment. Ellis Bros. had the third and fourth prize cows, in the order named above, and they are highclass cows. Messrs. Rice came to the front in three year-old cows, with Artis Queen Jewel, followed by Clemons, with Cornelia Artis, by a son of Cornelia Tensen, a grand young cow of great capacity for work. Two-year-old heifers were a strong class, and Clemons scored first with Mandamin's Daisy; Gilroy & Son taking second and third places. Clemons was also to the fore in yearling heifers, with Artis Peer's Poem, followed by G. Gilroy, as in the former section. In heifer calves under a year, Stevenson won first and second honors, Rice third, and Clemons fourth. For heifer calves under six months, Gilroy was first and third, and Clemons second. The herd competition was an interesting feature of the show. Seven full herds of Holsteins faced the judge, and all were good. They were placed in the following order: Gilroy & Son, first; Clemons, second; Hoover, third; Ellis Bros., fourth. The prizes for four females sired by one bull were placed as follows: Stevenson, first; Rice, second; Ellis Bros., third. The sweepstake prize for best female was awarded to Mr. Clemons for his first prize yearling heifer, Artis Peer's Poem, a heifer of great promise for usefulness at the pail, and of fine appearance.

did quality and in grand fit. This flock won first for pen (Canadian - bred), and were certainly a credit to their owner, who has persistently pushed to the front. His three-shear ram is a monster in size, still even and smooth, and carries a fleece of excellent quality. He was an easy winner in the aged class, although a grand good sheep owned by Mr. C. T. Garbutt, of Claremont, Ont., came second. The latter gentleman showed sixteen head in all, and a very creditable lot throughout. Heber Rawlings, of Forest, was forward with 25 head. Several of his shearling rams were noticeable for their grand covering and general good type. This flock are remarked for their strong bone and large frames, but were not fitted to their best. Mr. Wm. Thompson, of Uxbridge, was out with six grand sheep, winning first on a typical shearling ram, first on an imported ram lamb with a fleece of excellent quality, but thin in flesh, while his first prize imported shearling ewes are of the type that fills the eye.

Probably never before has the competition been so keen or a larger exhibit forward than was seen in

THE LEICESTER CLASS.

Mr. Jas. S. Smith, of Maple Lodge, was out with a flock of 21 head of No. 1 quality and in most excellent fit. His aged ram was brought out in great form ; and although only awarded second place, he is a sheep to attract much attention, and could well be classed as one of the best in this class on exhibition. His aged ewes are a monster pair, and car ried off the honors in a hotly-contested ring. His shearling rams were also a first-class lot, one of them securing first in a very strong ring. This flock secured the award in Canadian-bred pen (all of which were bred by the exhibitor), against the indefatigable feeder, Mr. Jno. Kelly, of Shake-speare, who was out, as usual, with a very strong flock consisting of 24 head. Mr. Kelly's flock won the open pen prize. Mr. Wm. Whitelaw, Guelph, was out with fifteen of his choice Border Leice ters, which for quality could be classed as one of the best flocks forward. Several exceptionally fine lambs were exhibited, first going to ram lamb and ewe lambs of this flock, second on open pen Mr. J. M. Gardhouse, Highfield, Ont., was forward with eleven head of very fair quality, but not highly fitted. The same might also be said of Messrs. C. & E. Wood, of Freeman, Ont., who had eleven head out. These represented a good breeding flock, but were mostly field sheep and had received no special fit. A. Easton, Appleby, Ont., was also out with several head.

LINCOLNS.

Two well-known exhibitors, Messrs Gibson & Walker, Denfield, Ont., and Capt. T. E. Robson, Ilderton, were the only competitors in this class, which represents so many points of general utility, such as size, vigor and good feeding qualities, together with their long, lustrous wool of a type which is now so fashionable in the great British wool marts. That good breeding sheep of this sort should be sought after at such high prices is not to be wondered at. Gibson & Walker showed some 30 head in capital form, securing the lion's share of the red ribbons. Capt. Robson's are a right useful sort throughout.

SHROPSHIRES

were more numerous than any other year in the history of the fair, and the quality of the exhibit throughout was better than heretofore, while in the

Hanmer were also forward with a very strong flock numbering some 40 head, all Canadian-bred and fitted by themselves. The flock throughout are noticeable for their uniformity of type, good quality, extra covering and fine finish. Campbell led on a choice imported shearling Mansell ram; Messrs. Hanmer coming in second on a highlyfinished, thick and stylish ram. On ram lambs, Campbell was a good first and second on imported ones; Hanmer third on a very stocky, thick lamb. On aged ewes some would have reversed the judgment, placing Hanmer's fine pair of ewes first. The prize, however, went to Campbell on a very nice pair of imported ewes. The shearling ewes made an exceedingly strong and handsome exhibit; Campbell winning first, and Hanmer second. Ewe lambs were also a marvelously handsome lot: Phin, first; Campbell, second; Hanmer, third. The exhibit in

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SOUTHDOWNS

was also of a high order; the veteran breeder, John Jackson, Abingdon, again taking the lead. On pens, Jackson stood first on Canadian-bred and fitted; R. Shaw & Sons, Glanford, second; on imported pens, T. C. Douglas, Galt, first; A. Telfer & Sons, second. The sheep shown by each of these firms were of excellent quality and well brought out. The

OXFORDS

were a good lot; the individual excellence of many was of the highest order. Messrs. Smith Evans (Gourock) and Peter Arkell were the only competitors. Evans carried first on pen, showing a remarkably good shearling ram and a grand pair of shearling ewes, one of which represented a typical Oxford in every point, while his pen of imported lambs were the admiration of all for their great size and general good quality. This flock comprised some fifteen individuals; Mr. Arkell's numbering twenty-seven, among which were many excellent sheep. The

DORSETS

were more numerous and better brought out than we have seen for several years; J. A. McGillivray, M. P., Uxbridge; Hon. H. M. Cochrane, Danville, Que., and R. H. Harding, Thorndale, being the contestants. McGillivray showed a grand flock of ewes in capital finish; while Mr. Cochrane's flock were noteworthy for their good quality throughout, his shearling ewes and ewe lamos being exceptionally good. R. H. Harding showed fifteen head of nice quality and good conformation, but not in good enough flesh to win very largely. The

MERINOS

were well represented by two flocks, belonging to W. M. & J. C. Smith, Fairfield Plains, and Robert Shaw & Sons, Glanford.

SWINE.

BERKSHIRES. This favorite old breed came first in the catalogue. There was a remarkably large number of entries — one of the largest we ever remember seeing, and not only were the prize-winners well up to and even over the average, but there was a noticeable absence of culls all through. J. G. Snell, Snelgrove, had a smaller entry than usual, owing to his having sold his young stock out closely, but what he had forward scored well for him. His aged boar, Baron Lee 4th, which has an unbeaten record, could not be denied first place, and if any

SHEEP.

For many years past the Toronto Industrial has been noted for its grand display of sheep, and this year proved no exception to the rule, the number of sheep on exhibition being probably in excess of any previous year, while in several of the breeds the individual excellence was above the average. This Exhibition, together with the sweeping winnings of Canadians at the winter Fat Stock Show at Madison Square Gardens, is proof conclusive that the Canadian sheepmen are masters of their art, and are always found in the front rank.

In entering the building the first to come under our notice was

THE NOBLE COTSWOLDS,

and a grand display there was of them, the individval excellence of several being better than we have seen for several years; a noticeable feature being that all exhibited, with the exception of four or five, were bred and fed by exhibitors. The leading exhibitors in this breed were: Mr. Park, of Burgessville, who was out with ten head, of splen-

ring the competition was of the keenest in every section. A noticeable feature this year in the Shropshires was their uniformity of type and the scarcity of inferior sheep Mr. Davies, of Toronto was forward with some 36 head, the large per cent of them being field sheep for sale. A good imported shearling and an aged ram headed the flock, but were "not in it" in the ring. Hon. Mr. Cochrane, of Hillhurst, Que., was out with a numerous flock the majority being sale rams in nice trim and of very good quality; one pen of rams particularly drew our attention as above the average. In ad joining pens, Mr. W. H. Beattie, of Wilton Grove, joining pens, Mr. W. H. Beattle, of Wilton Grove, exhibited eleven of really good quality and nice covering, but a trifle undersized. J. N. Green-shields, Danville, Que., had out a pen of six even, nice-qualitied ewes, but hardly up to the require-ments in finish for the Industrial. A pair of very large imported rams were also included in this flock but not up to the standard in quality. Richard Gibson, Delaware, was out with several head. The winning ram lamb last year at New York had not developed as anticipated, and was not there as a shearling. A nice ram lamb was shown, a capital handler, but hardly good enough for a winner. The flock throughout, however, were in good trim. of uniform type and good quality. Jas. Phin, of Hes-peler, had out fifteen head, a capital lot, of a true Shropshire type and a credit to the exhibitor the pens of four shearling ewes and four ewe lambs being especially good ; a pair of the latter being acknowledged first over both imported and homebred, while the two-shear ram came second-a great sheep, but a trifle narrow in the quarter. How ever, had the writer the placing of the ribbons, he would have placed this sheep first, as the most valu-able stock ram, and the first to third place, and Hanmer second on a sheep of capital quality, cover-ing and conformation. The winnings of their off-spring would also justify this decision. But the

proof were needed of his right to hold that place it was forthcoming in the fact that 100 per cent. of all the prizes won this year by Berkshires at the Industrial, from yearlings down, were secured by pigs sired by him. Mr. Snell's first prize yearling boar, Fitz Lee, is a pig of wonderful thickness and depth, while his first prize yearling sow, Snell's Highclere 4th, is a grand one, of great evenness and good conformation. His whole exhibit was of splendid quality. Geo. Green, Fairview, had a very good lot of pigs all through. In the yearling class he had a fine, lengthy boar, that won first in the class under twelve months last year, which came second; and the third prize also fell to him for a fine boar imported from Jas. Riley, Thorntown, Ind. His younger boars were also good, while his aged sow that won the blue ticket in the aged class is one of the deepest sows we have seen, and though large, is very smooth. An imported sow of fine quality and good depth won third for him in the class under one year. Thos. Teasdale, Concord, who always has something good, had nine entries, with which he won first for boars under twelve and over six months, first for aged sows, second for sows under twelve months, second in the herd prize, and first for sow and four of her produce. His aged sow is as nearly perfect as possible from snout to tail and is well marked. The younger things shown by Mr. Teasdale were from her, including a splendid young sow under a year, a grand boar under a year, and a capital one under six months. The first named, though only eleven months old, scaled 545 pounds some weeks ago. T. A. Cox, Brantford, had a nice lot of pigs, which were well up in the class, although they did not secure many of the prizes. He was strong in yearling sows, in which class he took third, and his whole exhibit showed good quality. third, and his whole exhibit showed good quarty. H. J. Davis, Woodstock, had the third prize aged boar—one of Teasdale's breeding and a pig of good stamp. All the rest of his exhibit consisted of pigs under a year old—an even lot of the right sort. P.

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