

was present, in the person of Mr. Jas. Bowman, Guelph, who made as usual an excellent exhibit, but he had a new competitor in Messrs. Jno. T. Smith & Son, Caledonia, Mich., who had also a strong herd out. These latter had the sole entry in aged bulls, Blackwood Inca, a fine old bull, of great depth, excellent conformation and wide front, but somewhat off in his feet. He was awarded the sweepstakes as well, after some deliberation on the part of the judges. The only two-year-old was Jas. Bowman's, Elm Park Master 2nd, a bull of quality and with a good top. This same exhibitor had a compact and typical bull of fine quality in the yearling, E. P. Raider, which was first; while another entry, E. P. Ranger, was second, and Smith's Wolverine Antelope third. Smith's Wolverine Brookside, a neat, compact youngster, but rather short, won the red ribbon for bull calves, and they also won the blue ribbon with Wolverine Prince 2nd. Bowman's E. P. Maynard was placed third. His E. P. Ringleader 2nd, unplaced, was probably of the best Aberdeen-Angus type, but failed somewhat in strength of back. Smith won first for four calves bred and owned by exhibitor, and Bowman second.

There were some very good things among the females shown by both exhibitors, but in these sections Bowman was stronger than Smith & Son, winning all the red ribbons except that for two-year-old heifers. Bowman's aged cow, Elm Park Mayflower 3rd, a cow of fine form and character, won the sweepstakes for best female, any age. First for herd went to Smith & Son, owing to the high standing of their aged bull; Bowman standing second, with a capable lot of females, and his first-prize yearling bull, in Elm Park Ranger, that promises to make his mark as a show bull and a sire.

GALLOWAYS mustered rather more numerous than in 1904, and were, as a rule, typical of the breed, but some of the animals shown were not very well fitted. Col. D. McCrae, of Guelph, was successful in winning the red ribbon in every section except that for heifer calves. The order in aged bulls was McCrae first and second, with Victory and Cedric 4th of Tarbreoch, and R. Shaw, of Brantford, third with Viceroy of Castle-milk (imp.). McCrae had the sole two-year-old, Celtic Druid. In yearlings, Shaw was second and McCrae third as well as first. All three prizes for bull calves went to McCrae. The sweepstakes for bulls went to the aged bull Victory. McCrae won all three prizes for aged cows, with Nellie 12th of Lochenkit, Grisel 11th of Lochenkit, and Lismore Lady, the two first imported, the last home-bred. We thought Shaw's Bella B. 2nd of High Park entitled to third place. Shaw won second and third for two-year-old heifers, with a very fair pair; McCrae's entry being larger and more developed. In yearlings, McCrae was first and third, and Shaw second; while Shaw led for heifer calves, with McCrae second and third. McCrae's herd was first, and Shaw's second. The sweepstakes female was Nellie 12th of Lochenkit. The judges were G. A. Brodie, Bethesda, and John Miller, Jr., Balsam.

THE DAIRY BREEDS.

That breeders of dairy cattle in Canada are prospering in these times of good prices for their products is plainly evident in the cheerful spirits of the men and the exhibits made of their favorite breeds, which were, perhaps, never better represented at Toronto, taken as a whole. The same ideal in regard to type, conformation and utility in combination seems to be in the minds of the breeders in all the dairy classes, and the animals are steadily approaching that ideal in all the breeds, so that apart from the element of color there is no great difference now in the outward appearance of the dairy breeds. The judges in all the classes were competent, and fewer complaints than usual were heard of their rating.

HOLSTEINS.—The black and white breed had their innings this year in regard to number of entries, and made the best showing they have ever made here in respect to uniformity of excellence in type and quality. The breed has been greatly improved in recent years, the show animals being finer in bone, more level and smooth in conformation, and the cows carrying more evenly-balanced udders than formerly, all of which makes them more attractive, while abating nothing in respect to usefulness in the dairy. The qualities of beauty and utility are now nicely blended in the best specimens of the breed, and they are steadily growing in favor. There were 238 entries in this class, including those for herd and family prizes, the largest entry in any one breed of cattle at the show. Seven exhibitors competed for the honors, namely, Geo. Rice, Tilsonburg; James Rettie, Norwich; C. J. Gilroy, Glen Buell; G. W. Clemons, St. George; A. C. Hallman, Breslau; W. H. Simmons, New Durham, and R. F. Hicks, Newton Brook. The judges were Messrs. R. S. Stevenson, Ancaster; H. Bollert, Cassel, and W. Shunk, Sherwood, who acted together.

In an uncommonly good class of four bulls, three years old or over, all of which were young, fresh, and of good type, an outstanding winner was found in Mr. Rettie's Cornelia's Posch, son of Sir Abbe Kirk Posch and Cornelia Schuling. He is nearly all white in color, with a few small black spots, has a fine flat white to the touch, a rich yellow skin, shows a very fine outline character without coarseness, good teeth, alert and levelness of body and straightness of legs, character and quality being clearly written on his face. In his make-up, in short, he is perhaps the best bull of the breed ever shown on the Toronto fair ground, and is saying a great deal. Mr. Clemons' entry was

Teake, by Chief Mercedes De Kol, dam Flosetta Teake, made a capital second, doing credit to his excellent family line, and showing many first-class qualities, with no noticeable defects. He holds his own, and grows on one with his years. Mr. Simmons' Prince Pauline De Kol 4th, the third-prize bull, has also many good qualities, and from his excellent breeding should prove a valuable sire. Mr. Hicks' Roosevelt, who fell into fourth place, is also a good representative of the breed.

An excellent class of four two-year-old bulls found the winner in Geo. Rice's Brookbank Butter Baron, a straight, smooth, well-formed bull, full of quality and character. Rettie's Artis Pietertje Poem was a good second, followed by Simmons' Guy Schuling in third place, and Gilroy's Jewel Prince of Maple Lane as fourth.

The section for yearling bulls was one of the best of the breed, a close contest being waged between Gilroy's Sir Alta Posch Beets and Hallman's Nanuet Pietertje Paul. Both are light-colored bulls, full of quality and finish, and the rating of the former as first and the latter second might be reversed without injustice. Though the first named was favorite with the judges and many others, the stronger masculine character and deeper body of the latter made him favorite with a good many, and it will not be surprising should he yet find his place at the top. Geo. Rice's Prince Posch Calamity, a son of the old champion of milking tests, Calamity Jane, and of Sir Pietertje Posch, made a good third, and Rettie's Poet Posch was fourth.

In the senior bull calf class seven superior entries competed. They were a very even lot, of similar type, and should do lots of good as sires in the years to come. Mr. Simmons scored with Isoco Mechthilde, the youngest of the lot, a grandson of Isoco Pride, the champion cow at Toronto and the Pan-American in 1901. His sire is Isoco Pride's Pan-American, born at Buffalo; his dam is Bewunde Aaggie Mechthilde, and he is one of the most perfect in form, type and quality we have ever seen shown at Toronto or elsewhere. One can readily fancy a brilliant future for this young bull, if he goes on as he has begun, and we see no reason why he should not. He has breeding, backed by individual merit of the highest order.

Of junior bull calves there were twelve good ones out, and Rettie won out with Count Mercena Posch, of fine form; Hallman's Sir Acme Prince, full of quality and of proper conformation, being second; Rettie third and Gilroy fourth.

The championship for best bull any age went without a struggle to Rettie's Cornelia's Posch, the first-prize three-year-old.

A round dozen milky matrons in the aged cow class, of uniform type, without a coarse or inferior one in the company, faced the judges, and the final analysis found Rettie's Faforit 7th at the head of the list. A cow of fine form and character, due to calve, and swinging an udder of enormous proportions and faultless form, with milk veins standing out on the vessel in bold relief, with a network of the same spreading over her lower surface, like a trunk line with its branches, she could not, in her interesting condition, be denied first place, though Geo. Rice's model cow, Queen Pietertje Mercedes, eleven months in lactation, and due again in October, placed second, might under similar conditions successfully compete with her; as might also Mr. Rettie's third winner, Artis Mink Mercedes, the most perfect in dairy type and conformation of all, but also in long lactation, and hence shown at a disadvantage.

In a very fair class of nine three-year-old cows, Rettie had first and second place; Rice third and Gilroy fourth.

In the two-year-old section there were ten good heifers out, in which Rice's Boustje 2nd Pietertje De Kol was a worthy first; Rettie scoring second and third.

In one-year-old heifers in milk, Mr. Simmons went to the top with Isoco Pride's granddaughter, a worthy descendant of the Buffalo champion; Geo. Rice coming second and third.

Of nine yearling heifers out of milk, Gilroy won out first; Simmons second, and Rettie third.

In senior heifer calves, Hallman went into first place with Teresa Sadie Vale; J. W. Lee & Sons were second with Pietertje Netherland Posch; Rettie third and Hicks fourth.

For four, the get of one sire, Rettie won with the progeny of Sir Abbe Kirk Posch; Gilroy second, with offspring of Oxford Netherland King; Simmons third, with get of Isoco Pride's Pan-American, and Lee fourth, with progeny of Pietertje Netherland Posch.

For herd of one bull and four females, the rating was Rettie first, Rice second, Gilroy third, and Simmons fourth.

For a young herd of a bull and four females, one year old and under three years, it was Rice first, Rettie second, Simmons third, Clemons fourth.

The sweepstakes female was Rettie's first-prize cow, Faforit 7th.

JERSEYS.—The butter breed made an excellent showing, the number of exhibitors being five, and of entries 117, including herds and family groups. The principal exhibitors were B. H. Bull & Son, Brampton; David Duncan, Don; Thompson Porter, Carleton Place; Robert Tuft & Son, Tweed, and T. O. Critchley, Weston. The judges were R. Reid, Berlin, and H. G. Clark, Norval.

In the section for three-year-old heifers, there were four competitors, the first place being given to Bull & Son's grand old imported Island-bred bull, Blue Blood of

Dentonia, by Autocrat, a model dairy bull in type and conformation, and a champion here before, which honor was again placed upon him. A close second was Duncan's Golden Lad of Thorncliffe, by Distinction's Golden (imp.), dam Nita Belle (imp.). He is a bull of fine character, quality and finish, and would stand well in any company. The third award went by consent to Robert Tuft's Bimster of Dentonia, son of a former champion of this show, and a bull of rich quality and rare constitutional vigor.

In the two-year-old section, the first place was worthily won by Bull & Son's imported Furor, bred on the Island of Jersey, a strong card in any company, full of character and quality, and richly bred in the best blood of the Island. Duncan's Blue Blood of Don, by the old champion Blue Blood of Dentonia, made a good second.

In yearling bulls the first honor fell to Critchley's Monarch of the Park, bred by Bull & Son, and sired by their old champion, Brampton's Monarch (imp.).

In an excellent class of senior bull calves, the first place was worthily won by Porter's St. Lambert's Ada Pedro, bred by the exhibitor, and sired by Porter's Rieter Pogis. Seldom has a young bull of better type and quality than this been shown at Toronto. Of ideal conformation, full of constitution and quality, and richly bred in the blood of the St. Lambert strain, he should prove a valuable sire and a successful show bull. Second went to Bull & Son's shapely and symmetrical Brampton Blue Blood, by Pearl's Golden Crown, out of Imp. Sweet Eyes, an exceedingly promising youngster. The same firm had the third winner, in Brampton Molina, and Duncan had fourth in Togo of Don.

In a good class of junior bull calves, Tufts, of Tweed, won worthily with Bimster's Twin No. 1, a sweet calf of rare promise, by the champion Bim of Dentonia.

In a very useful class of nine cows, four years and over, a short list of four was selected, including the familiar faces of Bull & Son's Minette and Bettina of Brampton, Duncan's Gussie Curtner, and Porter's Pauline L., the first place being finally accorded to Gussie Curtner, a capital cow, of ideal dairy form, with an enormous udder; well-balanced, good-sized and well-placed teats, and much refinement of character. Bettina and Minetta, both showing grand udders and teats, were second and third, and Porter's Pauline, a very useful cow, with the indications of a profitable worker, fell into fourth place.

In the section for three-year-old cows were half a dozen very superior young cows, of uniform type, from which Bull & Son's Brampton Tena, by Brampton Monarch (imp.), was, after much deliberation, selected for first place, though not with the approval of many of the ring-side talent, whose choice was Duncan's Lady Primrose of Don, by Blue Blood of Dentonia, a very sweet cow, with a shapely udder of good proportions, and more level on the sole than that of any of her competitors, though all were good ones. Bull's Brampton Eminent Gidder, a beautiful daughter of the \$10,000 bull Eminent 2nd (imp.), was given third place, and the same firm's Nannie of Pine Ridge fourth.

Duncan scored in a capital class of two-year-old heifers, with his Blue Blood's Fancy, a charming heifer, giving great promise of future usefulness. Bull & Son were second with the handsome Dottie of Pine Ridge, and Tufts third with St. Lambert's Fancy.

Yearling heifers in milk were a very fine lot of seven, from which Bull & Son's choice Brampton Princess was rightly selected for first place, followed by Duncan's Hilda of Don in second position, and two of Bull's entries as third and fourth.

In an uncommonly strong class of 13 yearling heifers out of milk, Bull & Son won with Brampton Vera, by Brampton's Monarch (imp.); Duncan's Daisy Bell being placed second, and his Fairy Queen third, while Porter's Rieter's Patti of St. Lambert fell into fourth place.

In a good, even lot of ten senior heifer calves, the rating was Bull first, Tufts second, Duncan third. In junior calves it was Duncan first and second, and Tufts third and fourth.

The female championship went to Duncan's first-prize cow, Gussie Curtner.

For four animals, the progeny of one sire, Bull & Son were first and third, for offspring of Brampton's Monarch (imp.), and Duncan second and fourth, for the get of Blue Blood of Dentonia and Golden Lad of Thorncliffe, respectively.

For a graded herd, as to ages, of one bull and five females, the rating was Bull & Son first and third, Duncan second, Porter fourth.

For a herd of one bull and three heifers under two years old, the heifers bred by exhibitor, the rating was Bull & Son first and third, Duncan second, Tufts fourth.

AYRSHIRES.—Owing to the absence of entries from three large Quebec herds, representatives of which have been generally shown here, there was a very noticeable falling off in the number of this breed shown, but the quality was well up to the standard. The exhibitors were Robert Hunter & Sons, Maxville; Alex. Hume & Co., Menie, and Wm. Stewart & Son, Menie. In a good class of bulls, three years and over, Hunter & Sons scored with Lessnessock King of Beauty (imp.), a magnificent specimen of the breed, full of style and quality, and of the most approved conformation. He was later made champion bull of the breed. Hume & Co. had a close competitor in Imp. Lessnessock Royal Star, bred in the same herd as the champion, to whom he was reserve number, and he is much of the same