



A "Snap" Showing the Haley Bros., at M. H. Haley's Farm

PRACTICAL FARMERS WHO HAVE MADE FAME AND MONEY WITH HOLSTEINS

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The Haley Bros. of Springfield, Ont., who in a few Short Years Have Bred and Developed two noted Herds of Holsteins—Noted for Show-Yard Winnings at Toronto,



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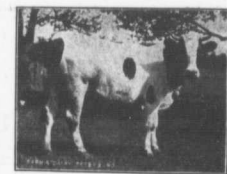
PROBABLY you have met the Haley Bros. You have found them, as we have always known them, to be two modest, practical, progressive farmers who breed the kind of Holsteins that are invariably on top or near the top in the show ring at the largest fairs, and also make good in dairy test work. You have also found them, even as we have always found them to be, very reasonable (in fact, often too reasonable considering the quality of their stock) in the price for which they sell it. Having these things in mind we have felt for some time that "Our People," who read Farm and Dairy, would like to know more about the Haley boys and their noted Holstein cattle; therefore we arranged a trip recently to Springfield, Ont., in Oxford county, where these breeders both live on their respective farms, and we give our readers the benefit of it in this article.

If you have ever had that noteworthy experience of starting in with pure-bred cattle, representing the best available, you know much about just how the neighbors laughed at the Haley Bros. when they decided to go in for better stock and put their good money into a few choice Holsteins. You can imagine also how the laugh came down even more greatly on the Haley boys when some of their earlier purchases died on them! The first

nine to 16 calves they got were bulls. Once they had all but decided to give up the business. But these brothers had grit and perseverance, and they had a more or less clear vision of the possibilities of their favorite cattle, the Holsteins, and in spite of circumstances and considerable odds they continued on in the course they had chosen, and to-day, only nine years after their first start with Holsteins, they have achieved great success and note for their Holsteins as high testers in butter fat, as heavy producers, and as the correct type, which is sure to be at or near the top in the strongest of showyard company.

For several years these breeders did not realize just how excellent was their foundation stock. Some of their neighbors, who were experienced in showyard work, however, appreciated the superior excellence of the Holsteins, which the Haley boys were breeding, and on different occasions they bought and borrowed stock from these brothers to take to the larger shows. As these cattle invariably did well and frequently came off with the champion honors, the Haley Bros. came to the conclusion that they had better show their own stock. Acting on this conviction they fitted up their herd, and two years ago made their first appearance at Toronto in the show-ring of the Canadian National Exhibition.

The result of this forward step was a great surprise to the Haley Bros. themselves and to the public in general. Inexperienced as they were they had not expected to do so well, although they felt their stock was about as good as it is possible to breed it. Farm and Dairy readers will remember that at that first showing in Toronto the Haley boys were awarded first and second prizes on junior bull calves and champion young herd of one bull and



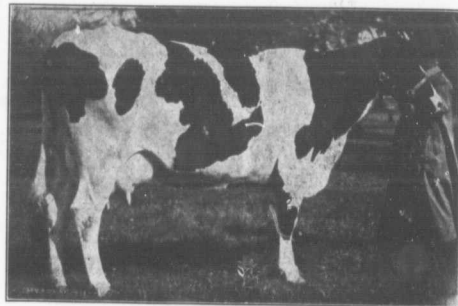
"What Do You Think of Me for Type?"

four females also, those calves being the oldest get of the great "Grace Fayne" bull, an illustration of which appears in connection with this article. Then they secured also first, second, third and fourth on male calves of the Butter Baron stock, which was also junior champion male; they got also first on yearling bull, which was also first on three-year-old, first and third on milk cows and the senior champion female and grand champion, besides the first prize and junior champion female; third on dry cow; second on a three-year-old, first and second on heifers, one year old; first and fifth on heifer calves under one year and first and second



"I'm a Half-Sister, a 'Grace Fayne' Too"

first and second on junior bull calves. In females they had sold practically all the older stock before the day of showing, and were therefore without them to exhibit. Two of them won second prizes under other ownership. The Brothers retained, however, the great heifer, Grace Fayne Abbecker, which won first prize in her class and afterwards became grand female champion of the show (1912). (Her picture as we took it the other day is reproduced with this article). Then there was first, second and third for them on Holstein heifers, one year old; first on senior heifer calf; first and second on yearling heifer calves; first and



The New Canadian Champion Holstein Cow in Aged Class

Queen Butter Baroness, here shown, recently made in 7 days an official record of 23.17 lbs. butter, 52.3 lbs. milk testing 4.93% in butter fat. For the 30 days her milk averaged 4.92% butter fat; she made in the 30 days 2,061.1 lbs. milk, equivalent to 127.14 lbs. butter. This cow has a remarkably good record in public dairy test work at the Guelph Winter Fair. Read more about her as given in the article adjoining.—Photo and 10 others on these two pages all taken by an editor of Farm and Dairy.

on heifer calves and first and second on four animals progeny of one bull. Thus you see cattle bred by the Haley Bros. do their own bragging! It is unnecessary to say much of them other than to record their performance! Their second year at Toronto, which was last year, brought them first prize on two-year-old bull (Prince Malta De Kol, afterwards purchased by Mr. Gordon S. Gooderham, of the Manor Farm), this bull having been first at Toronto the year before; first on senior bull calf; first on junior bull calf; junior champion (silver medal) on senior bull calf; second on yearling bull; fourth on aged bull;

second on four animals progeny of one bull under two years, owned and bred by exhibitor; first on young Holstein herd; second on cow and two of her progeny; second on Holstein herd; second on dry cow, four years old, etc., etc.

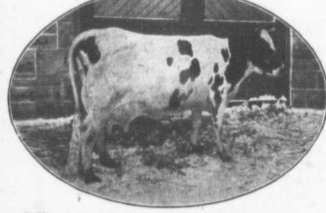
It is with regret that we announce that the Haley Bros. will not exhibit this coming fall on account of the poor health suffered for some time of late by Mr. M. H. Haley, he being afflicted with rheumatism. They would be in excellent shape so far as stock is concerned to keep right up to the big record and high standard, which they have set for themselves in the show-ring during the past two years. In this connection we ask Farm and



Homewood Aggie-Mircess, Son of "Lady Aggie" This bull was raised by the Haley Bros. and sold and later brought back to breed on their "Grace Fayne" heifers.



One of the Greatest of World, Bessie Colantha 4th's Johanna, is the dam of the sire of Grace Fayne's great "Grace Fayne" bull; 35.12 lbs. butter.



A Noted Guelph Winter Fair Dairy Test Winner

This is the great cow Lady Aggie De Kol, twice Grand Champion at Guelph and always a high tester. Much stock of her blood is in the Haley Bros.' herd.



Another of 30

Dairy readers to three individual which we took with. These are females now in herds, those 38 great "Grace Fayne" heifers. Our readers will know that before in for pure bred Holsteins. The Holsteins up to auction. They are been raised on s At the Guelph a number of you have really done started into the Dairy Test six years individual, a capturing first six or eight points

A Great This bull as shown in herds of three other Ford, Ont. The blood great quantity of y shows opposite be in her milk 4.93% advantage were

The next year the what has since dev famous Lady Angrie everything before during first prize They also took along another pure-bred, Baroness, the cow w ed up the great official butter in 7 days testing 4.93 per cent Canadian champ



A Shew-Bell Offered Bessie Colantha 4th's Johanna, is the dam of the sire of Grace Fayne's great "Grace Fayne" bull; 35.12 lbs. butter.