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The National Dairy Show

Special Report for Farm and Dairy by G. A. Brethen, Norwood, Ont.

The National Dairy Show at Chicago this year was a distinct credit to the great dairy industry that it represented. While the size of the cattle exhibit was diminished by the rival show at Milwaukee, the quality was of the highest, and the territory represented probably more extensive than at any previous exhibition. Herds from Washington in the extreme west, California in the south and Massachusetts on the Atlantic, competed. It is regrettable that "the men of the Northern States" were not on hand to uphold the dairy honor for Canada.

Ayrshires were represented by two herds of merit, those of Adam Seitz, Waukegan, Wis., and Barclay Farms, Rossmore, Pa. The Wisconsin herd, headed by "Bargenock Gay Cavalier," were of the strong, robust kind, showing abundant evidence of production, while the Pennsylvania herd were of the more refined class, and in many cases formed more closely to the type of Ayrshire most favored in Scotland.

ONE OF THE CANADIAN KIND

In bulls three years and over, "Bargenock Gay Cavalier," formerly owned and used by Mr. R. R. Ness, Howick, Que., proved a strong winner. He is a bull of wonderful strength and vitality, with no lack of quality. We understand he is one of the few bulls that can claim victories over the renowned Canadian winner, "Netherhall Milkman," and certainly his clean cut victory in this show over "Howie's Majestic," a Scottish winner, is ample proof of his merit as a show bull. The practically clean sweep of younger classes by his get and the sale of his bull calf for \$1,000 award him the additional recommendation of being a breeder as well.

No two-year-olds were forward, but in yearlings, first and third went to Barclay Farms with Seitz second on animals of their own breeding. The winners in senior bull calves were first and third to Adam Seitz on "Oldhall Spicy John" and "Bargenock's Gay Cavalier's Rising Star," a pair of strong rugged calves much the type of the winning aged bull, with somewhat finer calf owned by Barclay Farms second.

A CANADIAN-BRED COW WINS

The aged cow class provided a very interesting exhibit, although there was quite a wide divergence in the type of the entries. "Lady of Maple Shade" and "Vilo Pender of Spring City," owned by Adam Seitz, were very large strong cows, carrying capacious udders set with good sized teats, placed first and second respectively, were certainly high-class dairy cows, with every appearance of production, but lacked that Ayrshire type and quality that would put them to the top in a stronger class. An interesting feature of the winners is the fact of her being bred in Canada by Alex. Watt, Lancaster, Ont. Second award went to "Laurieston Sunflower," a beautiful imported cow, with any amount of Ayrshire quality, but showing a slight weakness in her fore-quarters.

In three and four-year-old cows Barclay Farm had the shade on the Wisconsin herd, the imported heifers, while two-year-old winners went chiefly to Seitz. The winners in this class all showed decidedly defective rear udders, the only exception in this respect being the fourth prize heifer owned by Barclay. It looked to us as though this class could have been completely reversed with more nearly justice to competing animals. We note that the latter was the placing order, adopted by Mr. Ballantyne

at Waterloo the week previous. Mr. Seitz showed a beautiful senior heifer calf a trifle over-fitted.

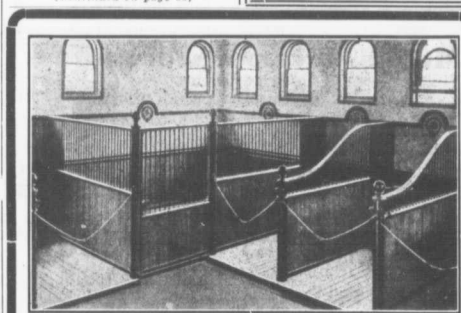
Exhibitors' herd, dairy herd, breeders' young herd, breeders' calf herd and assembled herd all went to the Wisconsin entry, while the association cup went to Barclay Farms.

THE HOLSTEIN EXHIBIT

Deep interest was awakened in the Holstein exhibit by the presence of the Hazelwood herd of John L. Smith, Spokane, Washington and certainly his winnings, especially in the younger classes and herds, justified his nine days' trip from over the Rockies.

The Holstein ribbons were placed by Mr. W. (Johanna) Gillette, the veteran breeder, and ex-Pres. H.F. Assoc. of America, Rosendale, Wis.

In aged bulls, "Paul Calama Korndyke" and "Sir Spoford Bests," a pair of very smooth, straight bulls, owned by R. E. Haeger, the well-known auctioneer of Algonquin, Ill., were placed first and third respectively. The fact that this order was a reversal of the judgment of the previous at the Iowa Dairy Congress of W. S. Moscrop, the highly successful breeder and exhibitor, shows us that even in the largest shows there still may be a wide divergence of opinion. Second place went to a small, short bull more of the Guernsey type, owned by Frank White, Hampton, Iowa; fourth to Hengerveld De Kol; 3rd, owned by Geo. M. Carpenter, of Wilkes, Barre, Pa., while the Hazelwood, Ormsby Pouch, (Continued on page 11)



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