

valley had left the pastures very bare indeed.

While there were a few very nice foals in the light-legged classes, the sections for the young stock were not overfilled, and some of the animals out were not in first-class show trim. There were some very good and promising youngsters in the carriage class, and in many of these there was a Thoroughbred look, showing that they were well bred. Most of these were of good size and showed considerable style, but in the whole class there was much more of the Thoroughbred than of the heavier coaching stallion strains. J. T. Anderson, of Dominionville, was there with his Montreal winner.

Among the standard-bred trotters there were some very good ones. Ottawa seems to have a number of horsemen who are admirers of the trotter. The racing prize also help to bring out anything there is in this line that is at all presentable. There were a great many roadsters present, including a fine lot of mares, which were good, clean-legged animals. Some of the very best of these were crossbred, by a Thoroughbred sire out of mares with more or less trotting blood. There was a good field of single roadsters, and also a fine lot of double teams shown. While some of the roadsters were undersized and common-looking, others had a good deal of quality and a pleasing appearance.

Hackneys were shown by Graham Bros., Claremont, and by H. N. Crossley, Rosseau, Muskoka. They had the same lots which were shown at previous shows this year. Hackneys played a very prominent and popular part in all the horse parades. Kilnwick Fireaway was going well, and was a special favorite. Rosseau Performer came in for a good deal of approbation from the grand stand. His color is not quite in the fashion, but his going is grand. There were a good many local saddle horses shown, and a lot of promising hunters. The latter performed over hurdles in front of the grand stand. Ponies, while present not in great numbers, were a good class, and were much admired. Mr. Brook, of Ottawa, had a nice Shetland. Of Percherons there were only a few head on the ground; not enough to take the half-dozen prizes offered. In the class for mares a bright bay got first, a rather unusual color for a Percheron, but the pedigree was produced to show that her breeding was all right, and in conformation she deserved the place.

The agricultural or general purpose class

was well filled. Few large shows retain stallion prizes for this class, but they are still given at Ottawa. The modern idea is that stallions should be of some pure breed before they receive the commendation and prizes of a large fair. There were some fairly good fillies and young stock in this class. In heavy horses there were some very good animals shown, both in the Canadian-bred class and that for Clydes and Shires. These latter showed together in the regular heavy draught classes, but there was also a separate section open only to Shire stallions. Mr. Crossley was an easy first with Bravo II. [250], winner at Toronto, and the McKay Milling Co. won in the class for mares, with a big well-topped mare in great flesh, and very good above, but hard work had put her feet and legs a little out of show shape. Mr. Crossley won second place. There were three or four very good Clyde teams shown, and, while they showed evidence of hard work, they came out in good shape, and made a fine exhibit for the class. For heavy draught stallions, Shire or Clyde, James I. Davidson & Son, Ashburn, won with Tofty [2123], a fine, big bay, with dark legs. He had no white except a small star on the face. He is a big, thick horse of great substance, and a good goer. He was bred by S. Campbell, Kinross, Scotland. The same exhibitors won several other prizes, notably for best mare with foal by her side. Graham Bros. won several prizes in this class, as well as first in the Canadian-bred class with Bold Boy II. [2099], the winner at Toronto. There was a very close contest in the three-year-old filly class. Mr. Davidson had Boydston Lass VI. [2222], by Lewie Gordon, a fine, big bay, with a well-topped body, and in the pink of condition. Graham Bros. had Lady Flashwood [1915], a light bay, with scattered white hairs, by International. They were rivals at Toronto, and in a close contest the latter won; the decision was reversed at Montreal and confirmed at Ottawa, but it was the closest contest the judges had to decide. In some of the classes there was a good deal of rivalry between the Shires and Clydes, but the latter generally came out best. The whole horse exhibit was one of which the Ottawa directors may well be proud.

#### Cattle.

As might be expected in an exhibition held in eastern Ontario, where dairying has become the leading industry among farmers, the classes of dairy cattle were well filled, and the com-