

tions for females in this class, though some of the heifers were quite creditable.

HEREFORDS AND ABERDEEN-ANGUS.—These two breeds, by the terms of the prize-list at Guelph, show together, and the rating varied in the different sections, sometimes one breed and sometimes the other furnishing the first winner. In the section for two-year-old steer or heifer, the blacks had the best of it, James Bowman, of Guelph, winning first award with a typical heifer named Rosebud, a daughter of Imp. Prince of Benton, blocky, smoothly turned, well fleshed; an ideal butcher's beast for profit. In the yearling class of seven entries, Pansy, an equally typical Hereford heifer, shown by John A. Govenlock, Forest, headed the list, and also won the championship as best beast in the class. She is exceedingly level, thick-fleshed and smooth, and would rank high in the best company anywhere.

In the section for steer or heifer under a year, Mr. Bowman won out with Elm Park Beauty 3rd, a charming young thing of fine form and quality. For the best cow or heifer of either breed, three years or over, the F. W. Stone Co., Guelph, had out a clear winner in their capital cow Sweet Bar, and Bowman was second with an excellent Angus cow.

GALLOWAYS AND DEVONS.—In this class nothing of striking character was forward, though the Galloway heifers shown by Col. D. McCrae, Guelph, and Robert Shaw, Brantford, were typical of the breed, and, indeed, of first-class rank, but evidently intended for breeding purposes, and not fitted for a fat-stock show, though in fine keeping condition. C. C. Rudd, of Eden Mills, showed Devons, and got first award for his two-year-old steer, while Mr. Shaw's twins, a steer and a heifer, were first and second in the yearling section, and he was also first and second in the calf class.

GRADES AND CROSS-BREDS.—As is usual at this show, the grades put up the strongest show of steers, the great majority being Shorthorn grades, and this year the veteran breeder and feeder of fat stock, James Leask, of Greenbank, South Ontario, who has so often carried off the championship trophies here, was to the fore with a number of grandly-proportioned and well-finished heaves, winning first, second and third in the two-year-old steer class, with a trio that were a remarkable achievement of the art of feeding, and of breeding as well, all three having been bred by the exhibitor, as well as their sire and dams. The first award went to Barnie, a red steer of wonderful substance, with quality to match, and character of the highest class; the second to Money-maker, a roan with less depth, but equal, if not superior, levelness, and fine handling quality.

The yearling grade section furnished the grand champion as the best beef animal in the show. He is Victor's Favorite, a rich roan, bred and fed by the exhibitors, Israel and Andrew Groff, of Alma, sired by the Cargill-bred bull, Victor's Roan Duke, a son of the Duthie-bred Golden Drop Victor (imp.). This is a remarkable steer in conformation, quality and character, with wonderful spring of ribs, a strong back, thickly covered over every inch of it with the best quality of flesh, while his handsome head and crest, his full and prominent brisket, great heart girth and grand coat of mossy hair all go to make him what is by common consent considered the best steer of his age ever shown in Canada, a credit to his country, his breeder and his feeder, Andrew Groff, whose judgment and skill in bringing him out is worthy of the highest admiration, proclaiming him an artist in his line of work. In the class for steers under a year, James Leask had a strong winner in Gloster's 1st, a roan of fine type and promise, closely followed by Rennie & Son's Royal Duke, that may make it even more interesting another year. Of the females shown in this class, an exceptionally good one was the first-prize yearling heifer, Red Rose, shown by Wm. G. Gerrie, of Belwood, Wellington County; sired by Imp. Marconi 4th, a model of the modern Scotch type, and full of substance and quality.

EXPORT STEERS.—Special interest centred in the competition for the liberal prizes offered for the best three export steers, of which five trios were forward, the best and most uniform showing yet seen here in this class, the first award going to John Brown & Sons, Galt, for a representative lot of good size and substance, the best of which was an Aberdeen-Angus grade; second to Jas. Leask; third to Jos. Stone, and fourth to James McCallum, Amulree.

The special prize, a silver cup valued at \$150, for the best export steer, was awarded to James Leask, Greenbank, for a red yearling steer of excellent type and even covering of flesh. A number of other specials offered for competition by amateur feeders brought large entries and many excellent animals well fitted, and is a commendable policy, tending to encourage young men to enter the field of feeding for competition.

The judges, Messrs. John Gosling, of Kansas City, Missouri, and John T. Gibson, Denfield, Ont., did excellent work, giving general satisfaction, and Mr. Gosling's reasons for their decisions in each case were given with much clearness and ability.

THE DAIRY COWS.—The milking test at this show fails to bring out as strong competition as could be desired, but each year one or more exceptionally good producing cows are forward, and this year the highest honors fell to Mr. H. Bollert, Cassel, whose five-year-old Holstein cow, Tidy Pauline De Kol, a cow of fine form and function, only a week or two after calving,

and not at her best, made the very creditable record shown in the report of the test appearing elsewhere in this paper, while her daughter won first in the heifer class, and promises to surpass her dam in producing capacity, as she does in general appearance, being a model of dairy conformation and udder development.

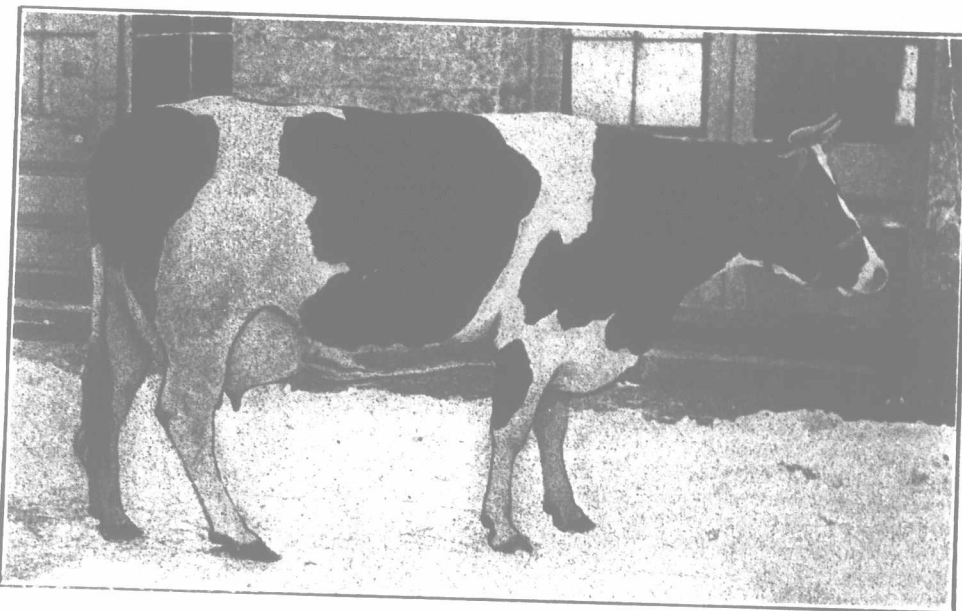
SHEEP.

The sheep division of the Guelph show is always interesting, and this year was, on the whole, better than ever before, the pure-breds being all well represented, while the cross-bred classes were exceptionally strong, and unusual interest was evidenced by visitors in this department of the show, in sympathy with the improved demand and prices for sheep prevailing, many sales being effected during the show.

COTSWOLDS.—Three firms exhibited in this class, namely, Rawlings & Bailey, Forest; E. Brien & Son, Ridgetown, and Snell & Lyons, Norval; the type and quality of the exhibits being up to a high standard, the first named winning the first awards in the ewe sections, and Brien & Son the first prizes in the wether sections, also second for ewe lamb and three ewes under a year, and the sweepstakes for best wether any age, with an exceptionally good sheep. Snell & Lyons were second for wether lamb, and third for three ewe lambs and for three wethers under a year.

LINCOLNS were strongly shown by John T. Gibson, Denfield, and L. Parkinson, Eramosa; Gibson winning first in all sections save one, and championship for best long-wool wether; Parkinson securing first for pure-bred yearling wether.

LEICESTERS made an excellent showing in the hands of John Kelly, Shakespeare; Hastings Bros., Crosshill; Frank Kelly, Aylmer; Oliver Turnbull, Walton; A. & W. Whitlaw, Guelph, and G. & W. Parkinson, Eramosa, the prizes being well distributed, Hastings Bros. having first-prize pen of three wether lambs



Tidy Pauline De Kol.

Holstein cow. Champion in the dairy test at Ontario Winter Fair, Guelph, 1906. Bred and owned by H. Bollert, Cassel, Ont.

and the champion wether, a sheep of superior quality and finish; John Kelly winning with single wether and ewe under a year.

OXFORD DOWNS.—A good showing in this class was made by J. W. Lee & Sons, Simcoe; W. Brien & Sons, Ridgetown; W. E. Wright, Glanworth, and A. Stevenson, Atwood; Lee & Sons winning first and second on ewe lamb and three ewe lambs; Wright first on yearling wether and wether lamb and champion for best wether any age; Stevenson being first for three wether lambs.

SHROPSHIREs were strongly shown by John Campbell, Woodville; W. H. Beattie, Wilton Grove; Lloyd Jones, Burford; Abram Rudell, Hespeler; W. D. Monkman, Bond Head; W. E. Wright, Glanworth, and A. G. H. Luxton, Milton; the first-named securing the most of the first prizes. Beattie was first for three ewes under a year, and Lloyd-Jones Bros. second in several sections.

SOUTHDOWNS.—This class was well filled with exhibits by Sir Geo. Drummond, Beaconsfield, Que.; Telfer Bros., Paris, and John Jackson, Abingdon; the first awards going in all sections to the Beaconsfield flock, including the championship of the breed; Telfer Bros. being second in most sections.

DORSETS were shown by R. H. Harding, Thorn-dale, and Hastings Bros., Crosshill, the former winning all first prizes and the championship.

HAMPSHIREs were well shown by Telfer Bros., Paris, and John Kelly, Shakespeare, the prizes being pretty well divided, the championship going to Telfer Bros.

GRADES AND CROSSES—LONG-WOOLS.—Wether, one year and under two, J. T. Gibson was first and second, and had also first wether lamb and champion wether, the reserve grand champion at Chicago, an extraordinary sheep in all his make-up, with a grand, firm back and full twist, a model of his kind. Parkinson was second in two sections.

SHORT-WOOL GRADES.—Abram Rudell was first in the yearling wether section, and this was the cham-

pion of the class, a capital sheep in quality and finish. John Campbell was first in the other two sections, and W. E. Wright second for three wether lambs.

SWINE.

The swine exhibit was away ahead of any former year in point of numbers, there being the grand total of 395 entries of what was probably the choicest lot of ideal bacon hogs ever seen together at any one show in America.

YORKSHIRES, as usual, were out in greatest number, and in most of the classes the competition was exceptionally keen, and with the exception of a couple of cases, in which the judges ruled out some entries for being, in their opinion, over age, the awards as handed out gave general satisfaction. The principal exhibitors were James Wilson & Sons, Fergus, from their noted Monkland herd; J. Featherston & Son, Streetsville, from their well-known Pine Grove herd; Charles Currie, Morriston; R. F. Duck & Son, Port Credit; J. E. Brethour, Burford; H. Koella, Glen Allan, and H. S. McDiarmid, Fingal, a young breeder out for the first time with a lot of exceptionally well-fitted stuff that won the distinction of first prize in the dressed bacon carcass class. In the class of barrow, six months and under nine, first, second and sixth went to R. F. Duck & Son; third and fourth to J. Featherston & Son, and fifth to Chas. Currie. Barrow under six months, first and third to J. E. Brethour, second to Duck & Son, fourth to J. Wilson & Son, and fifth and sixth to Featherston & Son. Sow, nine months and under fifteen—First, Wilson & Sons; second, H. S. McDiarmid; third, fourth and fifth, Featherston & Son; sixth, Duck & Son. Sow, six months and under nine—First, McDiarmid; second and fifth, Featherston & Son; third and sixth, Duck & Son; fourth, Wilson & Son. Sow under six months—First and sixth, Duck & Son; second, H. Koella; third, Wilson & Son; fourth and fifth, Featherston & Son. Three, the offspring of one sow, bred by exhibitor—First, Wilson & Son; second, Duck & Son; third, Featherston & Son.

TAMWORTH S.

There was a decided improvement in the Tamworth class this year over last in the quality of the animals shown. The well-known breeders, D. Douglas & Sons, Mitchell, were out with a number of choice representatives; Chas. Currie, Morriston, also showed a number that were a credit to the breed; A. C. Hallman, Breslau, had his noted herd represented, and Wm. Elliott, Galt, completed the exhibitors in this class. Barrow, six months and under nine—First and

second, Douglas & Son; third, Elliott; fourth and fifth, Currie. Barrow under six months—First, fourth and fifth, Douglas & Sons; second and third, Currie; sixth, Elliott. Sow nine months and under fifteen—First, second and fifth, Douglas & Sons; third and sixth, Currie; fourth, Elliott. Sow six months and under nine—First, second and third, Douglas & Sons; fourth and sixth, Currie; fifth, Elliott. Sow under six months—First and fourth, Douglas & Sons; second and fifth, Currie; third, Elliott. Three pigs the offspring of one sow, bred by exhibitor—First and second, Douglas; third, Currie.

BERKSHIREs.—This was the Berkshires banner year at Guelph; never before were they out in such large numbers, and never before was the standard of excellence so high. Several new exhibitors were out for the first time with a class of animals reflecting great credit on them as fitters of show stuff. The principal exhibitors were J. Boyes, Jr., Churchill; W. W. Brownridge, Ashgrove; John S. Cowan, Donegal; John Kelly, Shakespeare; E. Brien & Son, Ridgetown; Snell & Lyons, Norval; Robert Hyslop, Brantford; C. C. Rudd, Eden Mills, and Joshua Lawrence, Oxford Centre. Mr. Lawrence was unfortunate in not having his certificates of registration on hand, having sent them to Ottawa some time ago and they not being returned, which, by the way, seems to be about the order of things at the registration office at Ottawa—a little too slow. Mr. Lawrence had a lot of extra choice things out, but could not exhibit, on account of not having his certificates. Barrow, six months and under nine—First and third, Kelly; second and fourth, Brien & Son; fifth and sixth, Brownridge. Barrow under six months—First and fifth, Cowan; second, Brownridge; third, Brien & Son; fourth, Boyes; fifth, Kelly. Sow, nine months and under fifteen—First, Boyes; second, Cowan; third and fourth, Brien & Son. Sow, six months and under nine—First and second, Boyes; third and fourth, Cowan; fifth and sixth, Hyslop. Sow under six months—First, Cowan; second, third and sixth, Brownridge; fourth and fifth, Boyes. Three pigs the