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Red Poll cattle made

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y of Dairy Shortwater, the judge, was a red Betsey the which cost her as to buy. Her aty of loose skin, top and bottom; with Hilda 22nd., a robust, shapely rort with a well-slung udder carried right up underneath her. Grendon Rose, by Scarlet Pimpernel, won in heifers, for H. A. Brown, a rich, young enthusiast who raises Milking Shorthorns at Atherstone, in the Midlands, and knows what he is doing. She beat Hobbs' Marchioness 71st by Kelmscott Mariner. It was a fine class of bulls forward, and the Duke of Westminster won with Rockley Baron, a Darlington-Barrington-Oxford combination of milk blood lines. His Grace's bull beat one submitted by a small farmer, not twenty miles away from the ducal estate, and the small farmer's bull nearly got the verdict.

Kelmscott and other herds were down the course behind this Cheshire pair. There were a rare lot of non-pedigree Shorthorns on view, but I won't trouble you with details. Let me add that a goat in the show yielded one gallon of milk one day.

MILK AND BUTTER TESTS.

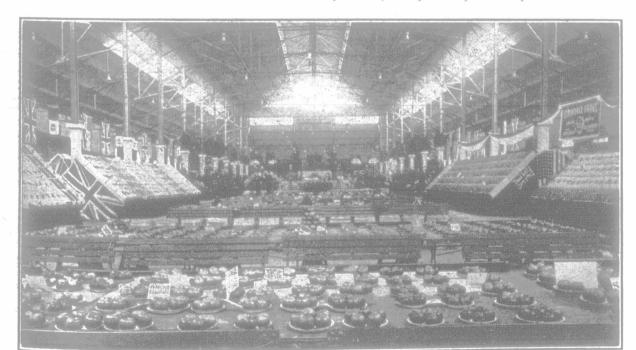
In the butter tests, first prize in the Shorthorn class was won by a non-pedigreed cow, W. Wilson's Dora from Milnthorpe, which in twenty-four hours gave 54 lbs. 3 ozs. milk, and whose butter yield was 2 lbs. 1134 ozs. She outdistanced all the rest. The leading pedigreed Shorthorn cow was Viscount Wimborne's Watercrook Marion, which yielded 2 lbs. 7½ ozs. butter from 44 lbs. 8 ozs. of milk. The Lincoln Red Shorthorn cow, Suttie 2nd, yielded 67 lbs. of milk, but her butter yield was only 2 lbs. 4 ozs. Premier Jersey cow was Dr. H. Watney's Sabina's Goose 2nd, whose milk yield was 33 lbs. 10 ozs. in twenty-four hours, and her butter yield 2 lbs. 234 ozs. Among "other breeds" Sir Merrick R. Burrell's Red Poll cow, Sudbourne Minerva, yielded 52 lbs. 1 oz. of milk in twenty-four hours, and 2 lbs. 6 ozs. of butter. The Red Poll cow, Kettleburgh Rose 4th, yielded 60 lbs. 1 oz. of milk and 1 lb. 13½ ozs. of butter.

In the milking trials, the premier Shorthorn cow was E. C. Fairweather's Betsey Grey, which gave 62 lbs. 5 ozs. of milk on two mornings, and 59 lbs. 6 ozs. of milk on two evenings. Actual weight of butter-fat in the mornings was 1.13 lbs., and in the evenings 1.49 lb. 'Among Lincoln Red Shorthorns, Suttle 2nd (J. Evans') yielded 71 lbs. 3 ozs. of milk on two mornings, and 63 lbs. 8 ozs. on two evenings. The actual weight of butter-fat in the mornings was 1.15 lb., and in the evenings 0.96 lb. In Red Polls, Lady Graham's Gressenhall Southgate 6th yielded on two mornings 67 lbs. 3 ozs., and on two evenings, 60 lbs. 5 ozs. Her butterfat in the mornings was 1.39 lb., and in the evenings, 1.02 lb.

owned abroad." In this connection it is interesting to note the opinion of a man who understands the situation quite thoroughly, and who said as follows: "For a time after the British Committee's arrangements were made there was a little speculative buying, which took some cheese at slightly higher prices than the Committee was paying, but in the course of a few weeks the Montreal trade managed to get into the Continental market. The start was given to the purchase by a Belgian syndicate, through merchants in Montreal, and now this Continental trade is almost wholly in the hands of Canadian exporters, who seem to have won out completely against the American dealers, and in consequence of the higher prices offered for continental shipment there is no cheese now being offered to the Montreal Committee. The 20,000 tons of cheese have not been secured and it is doubtful if it will be. Of course, this is a temporary market, but I do not think our position in the British market will be injured under present circumstances, and once the control is lifted and trading comes back to normal again we will have no difficulty in disposing of all our cheese in the British

Holstein and Ayrshire Official Records.

Official records of Holstein-Friesian cows, from Sept. 1st to Oct. 31st., 1919, show seven animals which have completed seven-day tests in the mature class, and five animals which have completed yearly records in the same class. Black Plus Berkeyje leads the seven sevenday cows with 24.51 lbs. of fat from 495.5 lbs of milk, at the age of eight years. The youngest cow in the mature class is Colantha Queen, with 19.01 lbs. of fat from 501.6 lbs. of milk. Della Johanna Calamity 2nd., a six-year-old cow, leads the mature Record of Performance class with 20,225 lbs. milk, yielding 627 lbs. of fat. Lady Pontiac Segis is the best of three junior four-year-olds in the seven-day class, with 17.62 lbs. fat from 526 lbs. of milk. Leila Walker, as a senior three-year-old, beats this record with 560.2 lbs. of milk and 18.24 lbs. of fat. There are five junior three-year-olds, led by Fineview Colantha Alcartra with 17.62 lbs. of fat; four senior two-year-olds, led by Ormsby Rhoda Maud with 12.86 lbs. of fat; and four junior twoyear-olds, led by Korndyke Canary Butter Maid with



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Cheese Market Notes.

It is interesting to note from the dairy produce report of the Dairy and Cold Storage Branch, Ottawa, that from May 1 to November 15, 1919, 1,103,319 boxes of cheese have been exported from Montreal, out of a total of 1,503,054 boxes received. In 1918, 1,662,850 boxes were received during the same period. Of butter, 49,557 packages have been exported so far this year, out of total receipts amounting to 413,487 packages.

Last year the receipts amounted to 435,572 packages. During the week ending November 15 heavy exports to Europe were made, and the report says as follows: "A feature of the week was the sale of about 12,000 boxes (of cheese) to the Government of Switzerland at 30 to 301s cents, f. o. b. Montreal. Three thousand boxes of this lot will be shipped by way of New York, and the balance will probably go forward from the port of Montreal by Antwerp. During the week, 2,601 boxes were shipped from Montreal to New York, making a total of 66,518 boxes for the season. Exports to Europe were heavy: 78,761 boxes clearing for Antwerp, and 1,596 boxes for St. Nazaire, France. Total stocks of cheese in Canada on November 1, 1919, 28,283,928 lbs., which was 366,46 per cent. more than last year. Receipts for the week were 33,806 boxes,

Compared with 27,458 boxes for the same week last year."
In the report for the week ending November 8, we read that "of the quantity on hand the last day of October, 132,449 boxes belonged to the Cheese Export Committee, and a good proportion of the balance was

15.42 lbs. of fat. The last two cows are both from the Dominion Experimental Farm, at Ottawa. In the remaining Record of Performance classes there are six four-year-olds, six three-year-olds, and eleven two-year-olds with 16,201 lbs. of milk and 659 lbs. of fat. Agassiz Priscilla Korndyke tops the three-year-olds with 18,731 lbs. of milk and 658 lbs. of fat. She hails from the Dominion Experimental Farm, Agassiz, B. C. The eleven two-year-olds are led by Lulu Segis of Elderslie, with 11,892 lbs. of milk and 411 lbs. of fat.

AYRSHIRES

Seven mature Ayrshires, two four-year-olds, four three-year-olds, and seven two-year-olds have qualified in the Record of Performance test from September 13 to November 7, 1919. Springhill White Beauty, owned by the University of British Columbia, B. C., leads the mature class with 12,691 lbs. milk and 490 lbs. of fat in 365 days. The average test of her milk was 4.68 per cent.; the highest average test of any of the cows or heifers finishing during this period. Janet of Claresholm, from the Department of Agriculture, Edmonton, Alta., leads the four-year-olds with 9,791 lbs. milk, testing 3.91 per cent., and yielding 333 lbs. of fat in 365 days. The three-year-olds are led by Highland Lady, with 9,438 lbs. of milk and 389 lbs. of fat. The average test was 4.12 per cent., and she was 365 days in milk. The two-year-old class is led by Lady Charlotte of Yeeda that in 330 days produced 293 lbs. of fat from 7,578 lbs. of milk, testing 3.86 per cent.

HORTICULTURE.

Strawberry Growing For Big Yields.

As indicated in our report last week of the Ontario Fruit Growers' Convention, we want to reproduce in full for readers of "The Farmer's Advocate" the address of P. H. Wismer, Jordan Station, Ont., on "Intensive Strawberry Growing." Mr. Wismer is an exceptionally good grower of strawberries and raspberries and, we understand, markets annually from his farm of 70 acres about \$20,000 to \$25,000 worth of fruit and other farm products, including some wheat and other general farm crops. His methods are not necessarily intensive, as the word is properly understood, except that his yields per acre of certain crops such as strawberries and raspberries are very high. The following paragraphs include practically the whole of Mr. Wismer's address:

"Strawberries and raspberries have become the main source of my yearly income. There are few products that equal the strawberry for profit. My soil is a deep sandy loam with 18 to 24 inches of gravel below the loam, and clay below the gravel at an average depth of about six feet. Almost any location on the farm that will grow a good corn crop will do for strawberries, provided the soil is naturally well drained. I would recommend the use of lime. I prefer a one-year-old clover sod with a heavy application of well-rotted manure, say 40 tons per acre, plowed down about the last of August. This should be treated as a summerfallow and plowed again late in the fall.

'As soon as the land is in good condition and suitable plants may be obtained which have made sufficient start from their dormant state, we begin preparation by plowing. The land is then rolled and disked with the disk lapping half to leave the land level. The drag harrow is then used, followed by the roller, which leaves an ideal surface soil to set the plants in. The matted row system is giving largest returns, the rows being 3 feet 6 inches and 4 feet apart. Plants are set at 20 to 24 inches in the row after the field has been marked with a field marker. For plants select the best row in your one-year-old patch, digging up the whole row and using a close-tined fork. Select only the vigorous plants, discarding the smaller ones and plants with the dark roots. We never clean the plants, considering it a useless and possibly harmful practice. We avoid unnecessary handling. The strawberry plant is quite sensitive to sudden changes of temperature and excessive moisture. In Lincoln County, we do our planting about the first week in May, conditions being favorable. Great care should be taken to have the crown of the plant just at the surface of the ground. Past experience has proven to me that plants set by hand in a light furrow have made a much better start than those set in by the spade. Two men will plant just as fast by hand as by the spade. "Cultivation should be started as soon after planting

as possible and continued once each week and after each rain to hold the moisture. All blossoms should be hand picked. The weeds should be removed as fast as they appear. It is important that all the first runners be laid and held in place by covering with a small quantity of earth, placed back of the terminal would recommend the use of phosphoric acid in some form where heavy applications of manure are being made. My largest yield was obtained by the use of basic slag, 500 to 600 lbs. per acre, and bone meal 500 to 600 lbs. per acre, applied on the matured row. about the last of August. To restore a patch for a second and third year, all weeds should be removed as fast as they appear so that the patch is clean when the picking season is over. We plow a furrow off one side of the row leaving it the proper width. Coming back, the other side is barely edged to straighten it, the row being left about 10 inches wide. The ridge is then cultivated down. The refuse may be taken off the patch or it will disappear with cultivation. The following year a furrow is plowed off the row on the same side as before. By this method the patch is being moved on new soil and your plants are still only two years old, and should be more free from weed seeds than when you started.

"Never mow a strawberry patch; never burn a strawberry patch over; never harrow a strawberry patch, if you would have the largest returns. The plants will not regain normal vigor after these operations. My yield this past season was 1,226 crates from 2 9-10 acres, or about 11,414 quarts per acre. My average yield, however, one year with another is about 8,000 quarts."

In the discussion which followed his paper Mr. Wismer said that weeds were a very serious drawback to successful strawberry growing, but that he had found it possible to grow strawberries three or four years in succession on the same land if the land was clean first. For this reason he sometimes takes several years to rid a field of chickweed, which is exceptionally prevalent through his district, and he has grown two crops of wheat, a crop of clover and one of buckwheat successively in order to prepare the soil properly for

strawberries.

Some discussion arose as to the relative merits of the hill versus the matted row system of planting, but the matted-row system was declared best. Mr. Wismer prefers rows four feet apart, and at least 18 inches clear space between the matted rows. This space is kept by tearing off unnecessary runners with the cultivator teeth, although it is possible to keep the rows cut down to desirable width by special implements or a revolving coulter attached to the cultivator. "Heavy manuring and thorough cultivation are the keystones of success in strawberry raising," said Mr. Wismer, During the winter the plants are muched sufficiently