

class were E. Hindekoper, Meadville, Pa., and Wm. Suh-ring, Sebringville, Ont. Holstein-Friesian nomenclature is fearfully and wonderfully made; so is that of the judges.

GRADE CATTLE.

The display of grade cattle was one of the best we have ever seen at the Industrial. The exhibitors were: Jas. Leask, Greenbank; Jas. Oke, Alvinston; J. Fried & Sons, Roseville; and Goodfellow Bros., Macville. The entries were all grade Shorthorns, and most of them had all the excellence of form and quality that we look for in first-class thoroughbred cattle. Leask's three-year-old cow, which won 1st in her class and the sweepstakes, is a marvel of substance, smoothness and quality; and Fried's two-year-old heifer has wonderful depth and rotundity, with great heart girth and evenness of flesh. The men who show in this class are masters of the art of breeding and feeding for high-class meat production.

JAY CATTLE.

This is a class that ought to be encouraged by the offer of larger prizes. It is one of the greatest attractions of the show, and brings out a magnificent display; but the prizes are not varied or high enough to bring out the best possibilities in this line. The exhibitors were: Brown & Robson, Ayr; Jas. Oke, Alvinston; Jas. Bowman, Guelph; Mat. Wilson, Fergus; Jas. Leask, Greenbank; J. R. Snyder, Woodbridge; Harry Smith, Hay; J. Fried & Sons, Roseville; T. Russell & Son, Exeter; Goodfellow Bros., Macville; John Sibbald, Anna; W. J. Rudd, Eden Mills; and Walter Hall, Washington. Among the most interesting contests of the show was that of two-year-old steers, where out of ten entries of exceedingly good ones the 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes were won by white steers, the owners being Mat. Wilson, Jas. Leask, and Harry Smith, winning in the order named. In yearling steers the 1st prize was won by Walter Hall with a Polled Angus that has grand quality and smoothness of form. James Bowman showed a cow of the same breed, which won 2nd prize, and is a grand, good one; the 2nd prize going to a pair of a Devon cow of wonderful substance and great smoothness. Leask's yearling steer and steer calf were remarkable for early maturity and smoothness of flesh and form. An exciting contest was that for the prizes offered for pairs of fat cattle of any age, neither of which is entered in other sections. There were ten pairs in competition, and the judges were long in coming to a decision as to how they were to be placed, but finally gave 1st place to a pair of white registered two-year-old steers bred by J. M. Gardhouse, fed and shown by J. R. Snyder, and sired by the imported Scotch-bred bull Guardsman, sire of the champion bull St. Valentine, also bred by Mr. Gardhouse, and winner of many 1st prizes and sweepstakes at State fairs. These are a wonderful pair of steers, having grand quality and much smoothness. One of them especially is good enough to bank on for the Xmas show, if smoothness and quality is wanted, for he has it to perfection. Leask's 2nd prize steers are also a great pair, well fed, and full of good flesh, as also are Russell's pair, and Mat. Wilson's roly-poly roars. All are creditable—the winners and those that did not win. We confess the highest respect for men who can feed cattle as these have been fed, and we doff our hat to them.

SHEEP.

All the classes of sheep were well filled, and the quality of the exhibits was quite up to the standard of other years, which is saying a good deal, for at no show in America is so large or so good a display of high-class sheep seen as at Toronto; yet the number on exhibition was, perhaps, not as great as we have seen in some years. This is accounted for by a healthy condition of trade, however, the exhibitors in most of the classes having had large demand for show sheep from their customers in the United States, who were preparing exhibition outfits for the fairs in that country. The best, however, were here, for our people know that is the only class that can win at Toronto. Being the first on the list, we review first the

COTSWOLDS.

which were represented by selections from the flocks of the estate of the late J. G. Snell, Snellgrove; John Park & Sons, Burgessville; C. T. Garbutt, Claremont; A. J. Watson, Castlederg; and Goodfellow Bros., Macville. The class was stronger than it has been for several years, and was well filled in every section with large, strong sheep, full of style and good quality. Park & Sons showed a magnificent entry in the section for aged rams, winning first honors. He is a very large sheep, weighing well up to 400 lbs., yet showing no signs of coarseness, standing well on strong legs and having a fine, even fleece and superior covering. Garbutt had a good second in a ram of grand constitution and good quality. In the section for shearling rams, Park & Sons got first place again with a grand sheep of their own breeding, large and evenly fleshed, with a fleece of great weight and fine fiber and nicely covered, winning over all the imported sheep, second place being given to an imported ram shown by the Snell estate, a lengthy, strong-boned, well-wooled sheep, shown at a disadvantage on account of the strict rules of the English shows as to shearing, which require that the wool be short, or they run the risk of being disqualified by the shearing committee. Garbutt had a useful sheep in the 3rd prize ram (imported), showing good breeding and finish, and Watson got 4th with another imported ram. The sensational feature of the class was the trio of imported ram lambs shown by the Snell estate, which won, hands down, all the prizes offered. Three of these were the 1st prize pen at the Royal Show at Birmingham, being bred and shown there by Russell Swanwick, of the Royal Agricultural College Farm, Cirence-

ster, and were admitted to be, without exception, the best pen ever seen at the Royal. They are very large and long, are in fine condition, having broad, flat backs, strong bone, heavy fleeces of fine, even wool, and grand constitution. Two of these were sold to A. J. Watson, of Castlederg, for \$250, who intends to show them at the other leading shows in Canada, and also at St. Louis and Omaha.

Mr. Watson had the 1st prize aged ewes in a splendid pair of imported animals, of great size, fine quality, and good covering; Park & Sons winning 2nd and 3rd with grand ewes of their own breeding. The Snell estate scored first with a fine pair of imported shearling ewes, which were in the first prize pen at the Royal Show, bred by Mr. Garne; Garbutt having an excellent imported pair for second place, and Park & Sons a very meritorious pair for third. A pair of handsome and evenly matched imported ewe lambs, shown by the Snell estate, won first honors, Garbutt having the second prize winners in a capital pair, showing much quality. In the competition for the open flock prize, the Snell estate scored first and Garbutt second; Park & Sons won first for Canadian-bred flock, and the Cotswold Association prize for best four lambs bred by the exhibitor; Garbutt had the second prize flock in open competition, and also second prize Canadian-bred flock.

LEICESTERS.

This class keeps well up to the standard in size and quality, and is still in good demand, as evidenced by the many sales made at the fair and their wide distribution. The exhibitors were A. W. Smith, Maple Lodge; Whitlaw Bros., Guelph; and J. M. Gardhouse, Highfield, each of whom showed strong representative flocks, well brought out. Smith scored first in aged rams with a grandly out, modeled sheep standing well on his legs, and handling evenly from end to end, with a capital



AGED EWE, MAPLE LODGE MINNIE, 1ST PRIZE FOR THE FOUR LAST YEARS AT INDUSTRIAL FAIR, TORONTO, AND WESTERN FAIR, LONDON. BRED THREE LAMBS EACH YEAR FOR THE LAST THREE YEARS. BRED AND OWNED BY A. W. SMITH, MAPLE LODGE, ONTARIO.

fleece; Gardhouse won second with a typical Border Leicester, with a broad back, a fine, even fleece, and showing good bred character. Smith's 3rd prize sheep, however, contested the ground stoutly, and is a strong, good handling sheep, with a capital fleece. In the section for shearling rams the rating was the same, Smith standing first with a sturdy, strong constitutioned sheep, with great heart girth and an even fleece. Gardhouse's second prize ram had good quality, and is lengthy, level, and well proportioned.

Whitlaw Bros. made a clean sweep with ram lambs, winning 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes with typical Leicesters in fine condition, having grand backs and fine, even fleeces.

A. W. Smith showed a grand lot of aged ewes in the pink of show condition, the 1st prize pair being marvels of uniformity, of quality in flesh, fleece and finish, and clearly contradicting the prevailing opinion that show ewes cannot be successful breeders, one of them having produced nine lambs in the last three years, and been a winner in the showing every year, her mate having produced two lambs each year. No better evidence of constitutional vigor than this could be given. Whitlaw Bros. contested successfully for second place with strong, useful, well-bred ewes, and the Maple Lodge flock captured the 3rd prize.

The tug for pride of place in shearling ewes was between the entries of Smith and Gardhouse, the former winning by the grace of the judges, with what many considered his second best pair, being unevenly matched and not in line with the type of his flock generally, nor of those which had been winning. Gardhouse had a good even pair, showing good breed type, which came into second place, and Smith was given third place with a matchy pair, of fine quality and character, which might well have taken the lead. In the distribution of flock prizes, Mr. Smith was successful in winning first honors, both in the open flock and the Canadian-bred flock; Mr. Gardhouse winning second in the former, and Whitlaw Bros. second in the latter.

LINCOLNS.

were represented by the two old and reliable flocks of Gibson & Walker, Denfield, and Uncle Willie of Oliver, Avonbank, and the class was quite up to the high character it has usually maintained at leading Canadian shows, being noticeable for strong constitution, heavy fleeces of fine, lustrous wool, strong, level backs, and a good quality of flesh. The prizes were pretty evenly distributed, Oliver winning 1st and 2nd with aged rams of great size and strength, combined with good wool; Gibson & Walker in turn winning 1st and 2nd with shearling rams showing typical breeding and character, being large and even in proportions, with elegant fleeces, and strong, straight legs. The same firm got into 1st place with an excellent imported ram lamb, Oliver winning 2nd and 4th. Gibson & Walker had 1st and 3rd in aged ewes, and Oliver 2nd. In shearling ewes Gibson & Walker had 1st on a pair of imported ewes, one of which is an exceptionally strong ewe in size and quality combined. The same firm also won 2nd in this section. In ewe lambs Oliver scored 1st and also 3rd, Gibson & Walker coming in for 2nd, and they also won the open flock prize, Oliver capturing the 1st Canadian flock prize and 2nd for open flock.

SHROPSHIRE.

were not out in as large numbers as usual, but the high character of the breed for quality and finish was well maintained. The principal exhibitors were John Campbell, Woodville, and D. G. Hammer & Sons, Mt. Vernon; a few useful young rams in field condition being brought out for sale by R. Gibson, Delaware; T. Lloyd-Jones & Son, Burford; and W. E. Wright, Glanworth. The Woodville flock was brought out, as usual, in the pink of condition—not overdone, but to the "Queen's taste," looking fresh, bright, and healthy, and being of uniform character, and was successful in winning 1st and 3rd prizes for aged rams, 1st and 2nd for shearling rams, 1st and 4th for ram lambs, 1st and 2nd for aged ewes, 1st for shearling ewes, 2nd for ewe lambs, 1st for open flock, 1st for breeder's flock, and the Shropshire Association's 1st prize in each flock, the breeder's flock being headed, the owner states, by the shearling ram which as a ram lamb last year was protested against on the ground that he was not Canadian-bred, but imported, a challenge being openly made by the exhibitor on this occasion to all comers to repeat the protest.

Hammer & Sons showed a strong, useful lot of sheep, all of their own breeding, except one imported ram lamb, showing good type and character, and in excellent condition, and succeeded in winning 2nd prize for aged ram, 2nd and 3rd on ram lambs, 3rd on shearling ram, 3rd on aged ewes, 2nd and 3rd on shearling ewes, 1st, 3rd and 4th on ewe lambs, 2nd for open flock, and 2nd for breeder's flock. Their aged rams, ram lambs, and ewe lambs are especially worthy of commendation, as are also their two prize shearling ewes, being all of high-class quality, and exceedingly creditable to the breeders.

SOUTHDOWNS.

were well represented by the standard flocks of John Jackson & Son, Abingdon; W. & G. Telfer, Paris; and Robt. Shaw & Son, Glanford Station. The Abingdon flock was brought out in the fine state of finish which the owner knows so well how to put on them, and was successful in winning a large share of the best prizes, among which was the 1st and 2nd for aged rams, 1st, 2nd and 3rd for shearling rams, 1st and 2nd for ram lambs, 1st and 3rd for aged ewes, 2nd for shearling ewes, 1st for ewe lambs, 1st for open flock, and 1st for breeder's flock. The 1st prize shearling ram is a strong, sturdy sheep from the flock of J. J. Coleman, and has masculine character in a high degree and excellent quality.

The Telfer exhibit was also in fine trim, and showed true breed character and the best of quality. They won 1st prize on shearling ewes with an exquisite pair, nicely matched and made after the most approved pattern, and their 3rd prize pair in the same section were also well up to the standard of first-class. The same firm won 2nd on aged ewes and 2nd on ewe lambs, 4th on ram lamb, and 2nd on a flock. A grand pair of wethers were also winners in the class for fat sheep. R. Shaw & Sons also made a very creditable show in this class, having about twenty head on exhibition, showing uniformity of type and fine quality, winning five prizes, including 2nd prize for a flock.

OXFORD-DOWNS.

were exhibited by R. J. Hine, Dutton; Smith Evans, Gourcock; and J. H. Jull, Mt. Vernon. The class was not as numerously represented as usual, but the quality was well up to the mark. Mr. Hine had a strong string, and succeeded in capturing 1st prize with his aged ram of his own breeding, beating imported sheep; 2nd for shearling ram, 1st for shearling ewes, 3rd for ewe lambs, and 2nd for flock. Included in his exhibit was the 1st prize pen of ewe lambs at the Royal Show, and also a pair of imported shearling ewes, which won 1st prize; these were bred by Mr. Hobbs, and are large and fine. Mr. Evans had the 2nd prize aged ram, 3rd prize shearling ram, 3rd prize ram lamb, 2nd and 3rd prize aged ewes, 2nd prize shearling ewes, 2nd prize ewe lambs, and 1st prize pen of Canadian-bred sheep.