

One of these is the bull, Glencairn of Maple Grove, imported in dam, and purchased from Mr. R. G. Steacy, Lyn, and sired by Lord Glencairn, winner of seventeen first prizes in Scotland, while his dam is Irene of Cavens (imp.), and the other is Matchless, sired by Glencairn 3rd (imp.), and his dam, Nellie Osborne (imp.). Matchless is a most promising calf, and, we learn, has been sold to head the herd of Messrs. Robertson & Ness, Howick, Que. Perhaps no cow of the breed has done more for her adopted country than Nellie Osborne, which, in addition to her numerous prize winnings in Canadian show rings, carried first in her class and champion medal for the best cow in milk at the World's Fair, Chicago, while the number of extra good bulls she has produced, and which have been placed at the head of purebred herds, show her value in the breeding herd.

The other cows and heifers in the herd are large in size, and have every appearance of being deep milkers, while in numbers they range about twenty-five head of purebreds, among which are some fine young heifers by Silver King, which display the typical form which one would expect to find among heifers of his get.

Mr. Drummond was very successful at Chicago, where he won eight prizes, among which were first and fourth for cows, and first and fourth for two-year-old heifers.

Ayrshires at Parkhill.

The names of Messrs. James Drummond & Sons, Petite Côte, have been so long identified with high-class Ayrshires that anything we might have to say concerning the herd would appear superfluous, except by way of reminding those of our readers who are not so well posted concerning their achievements.

Like many successful breeders, Messrs. Drummond have such confidence in the blood and performances of their cattle that they have been loth to introduce a foreign strain. They have, therefore, continued to use bulls of their own breeding for several years, and have introduced no fresh line of breeding since the famous cow, Viola 3rd, and the bull, Promotion, were imported. Thus, after imported Promotion had been in use for several years, he was followed by his son, Rob Roy, whose dam was the imported cow, Viola 3rd. The next bull in use was Victor, which has recently been sold. He was by Rob Roy, and out of the cow Victoria, which had a milk record of 10,500 lbs. in one year. As should be expected, the young things are exceedingly promising, and testify to his breeding qualities. The bull now in use is Nelson of Parkhill, by Victor, while a neat yearling bull is also being retained in the herd, also by Victor, his dam being Maggie, by Promotion (imp.).

There has been such a demand for good cows that we found very few Promotion cows left, but those we saw were of such merit that we do not wonder that they made a favorable impression on buyers. The beautiful show cow, Viola 5th, by Promotion, dam

Viola 3rd, was not in as good form as we have seen her, but some very good heifers of hers are all that one could desire, while the grand old cow, Viola 3rd, is still marvellously fresh, considering her years and the numerous times she has been fitted for show. Her appearance in the show ring is fresh in the memories of all, and what a show she and her daughter, Viola 5th, made two years ago at all the fairs!

The heifers in the herd are of great promise, having plenty of size and quality, while the large number of cattle give plenty of choice. Mr. Drummond has a large stock of trophies, which run over many years, the farm itself having won more than one medal for good management.

Maple Grove Ayrshires.

The importation of Ayrshires made by Mr. R. G. Steacy, Lyn, during 1893 and 1894, caused quite a ripple of excitement in Ayrshire circles, which may be ascribed to the high-class breeding and extraordinary merit of the individuals.

In fact, it is doubtful if there ever has been as much care exercised in the selection of the same number of cattle. An analysis of the breeding lines will show that not only have prize-winning strains been selected, together with breeding in which high milk records are a strong feature, but it seems that an effort was made to include many of the most popular lines, and therefore the importation included a great variety of breeding.

Carlyle of Lessnessock, calved in May, 1892, was purchased from Mr. Robert Montgomery, Lessnessock, and was sired by that great show bull, Cock o' Bendie, while as an assistant Mr. Steacy has the beautiful yearling, Lord Douglas of Maple Grove, bred by Mr. Hugh Drummond, Craighead, and sired by Lord Douglas.

The high character of these two bulls is such that we may expect them to prove of vast benefit to Ayrshire breeding interests in Canada.

Among the imported cows in the herd are Love 4th of Craighead, by Cherry Lad of Craighead, bred by Mr. Robert Montgomery; White Rose of Alticane, by Scotland Yet of Piper Hill, bred by Sir J. M. Stewart; Lady Diana, by Father O'Flynn of Garlaff; Blink Bonny, by Adjutant, bred by Mr. Andrew Mitchell, Barcheskie; Irene of Cairns, by Watchman, bred by Mr. Robert Lindsay, of Coylton, and the grand three-year-old heifer, May Queen, that was so much admired at last year's fairs, and which has presented her owner with a fine specimen of a bull calf by the famous Duke of Mockland.

The foregoing comprise a variety of grand breeding lines which should claim the attention of those looking for fresh blood to infuse into their herds.

Mr. Steacy has been especially careful in selecting cows of the most approved type, avoiding anything approaching fleshy udders.

Perhaps a few will remember the imported collie bitch that Mr. Steacy won first prize with at the