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GOLD MEDAL.

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## GROUP OF PRIZE-WINNING SHROPSHIRE.

*The property of John Campbell, Jr., Woodville, Ont.*

### The Fairview Shropshires.

Our illustration this month represents a ram and two ewes of this fine flock, exhibited by Mr. John Campbell, jr., Fairview Farm, Woodville, Ont., from a sketch by our artist, taken upon the exhibition grounds, Guelph. The former, named "Gold Medal," because he had been placed at the head of the pen which won this prize at Ottawa in 1884, though shewn at fifteen of the leading fairs of the Province, carried the red ticket on every occasion save one. The ewes, "Topsy" and "Nancy," one year old, were placed first at the recent Toronto Industrial, and when shown singly at the Provincial, Guelph, Topsy won first and Nancy second. These three, with four others, brought to Mr. Campbell this season the pen prizes and the silver medal referred to below.

Mr. Campbell began breeding Shrops in 1881 in company with Mr. D. Grant, since when his career has been one of almost uninterrupted triumph in Ontario showings, and no doubt deservedly so. We feel safe in saying that there is no flock of this rising breed in the Province that have made so high a record: and we may here state that individual

ewes in the Fairview flock have brought Mr. Campbell an average of from \$75 to \$100 per annum.

The first purchase consisted of a selection from a large lot of sheep imported by the late Mr. W. M. Miller, of Claremont; another followed from an importation by Mr. John Dryden, Brooklin, and a few more were added from Mr. H. H. Spencer's selections of the same place. In 1884 this firm made an importation from the famous flocks of T. S. Minton and Messrs. Crane & Farmer, of England, including the ram Lord P., which cost 40 guineas in England.

In 1885 the partnership was dissolved, when Mr. Campbell showed at the Provincial, winning 4 firsts, including special prize for Canadian bred pen. This year at the Toronto Industrial he carried 4 firsts again, and the pen prize; and at the Provincial, Guelph 3 firsts and two silver medals. Also at Hamilton Central, six firsts, including first on flock, besides numerous other prizes.

This remarkable success cannot be accidental, as Mr. Campbell has been equally successful in the showing with stock of his own breeding as with that brought from beyond the sea.

### The Exhibition Prize Lists.

Before we knew anything of the stand the leading newspapers of the day had taken in reference to the non-printing of the prize lists this year, we had requested of the secretaries of the Industrial and Provincial Exhibitions to prepare us a revised copy of the prizes given in all the live stock lines of these Exhibitions respectively, to appear in the October and November issues of the JOURNAL. It seems strange to us that while a full report of every sporting movement in the country is given in every detail, that what is of so much interest to the hard-working farmers who so largely support these papers, should be deemed unworthy of a notice. It just adds one more to the list of the many wrongs to which the farmer is subjected, and should teach them as a class to be more loyal in supporting papers issued in their interest. We will furnish any desired number of these prize lists along with the JOURNAL at the usual price of the latter. Parties desiring extra copies of the November issue, which will contain both prize lists, will please send in their orders early.

The reports of the dairy and swine exhibits at Toronto failed to reach us in time for this edition.