

**Our Scottish Letter.****GLASGOW STALLION SHOW.**

There have been many shows of Clydesdale stallions held in the Glasgow cattle market, but without resorting to the usual cant of speaking of the last as the best, it can with truth be asserted that the general opinion of many well qualified persons is that the show was a very grand one. The display of aged horses was a sight never to be forgotten. The weight and quality of the stock was a marked feature, and it would be a strangely constituted mind that could find in it any indication of the decay of our noble breed of draught horses. The three-year-olds were in no degree behind them. In fact, if possible, the average of merit in the three-year-old class was higher than in the aged class. One cause of this in both cases is the falling off in the foreign demand. To meet this many comparatively worthless horses were kept, and large numbers of them were always to be found at the stallion show in the hope of securing sale. All this tended to reduce the average, and the general effect was so far against the breed. Many of the animals that would have been present, had the foreign trade not fallen off, will in the course of a year or two be seen doing more satisfactory work in lorries.

The order of the classes was the same as it has been for several years past. The first was for aged horses competing for the Society's premium of £80 to travel the Glasgow district.

The second class was for three-year-olds competing for a similar premium under the same obligation.

There were then three open classes for horses without restriction as to hiring, the premiums being in order £20, £10, £5, £3, and for the older horses £2, and for two-year-olds £10, £5, £3 and £2.

The judges who selected the horses for the district first completed their labors. The lot drawn for the aged class consisted of Mr. Geo. Bear's fine big horse Mount Royal 8065, a son of the celebrated St. Lawrence; Mr. Jno. Crawford's Right and Last 8947, a handsome horse which stood forward last year; Messrs. P. & W. Crawford's grand horses Eastfield King 7683, Lawrence Again, a well-known prize-winner, and Look Again 5972, a massive bay horse to which was awarded the Lynside or Herham premium; Mr. Richard Dunn's beautiful horse Master Robin 840, the Duke of Hamilton's premium horse of last year, and the chosen of the Gatehouse district of this, Galbraith Bros.' grand big horses Go a-Head 5052, Homeward 7822, and the choice well-known horse Lord Ailsa 5974. Go-a-Head was chosen by the East of Berwickshire Society, and Lord Ailsa by the Strathearn (Central) Society. Others in the draw were Mr. M. Gilmour's Lord Avondale 6952, a horse with excellent legs, and a former prize winner; Mr. Hodge's big horse Ayrshire, formerly owned by Mr. Clews; Mr. Wm. Hood's capital horse Prince Romeo 8144; Mr. A. Jackson's good moving horse New Moon; Mr. Kilpatrick's horse The Prince 8339; Mr. A. B. Mathew's Topknot 6360, first prize winner here when a three-year old; Mr. McRobbie's Prince William 6713, which was selected by the Easter Ross Society; the same owner's Gilderory II. 5038, chosen by the Strathord Society; Mr. J. S. McRobbie's Prince of Bathgate 8915, one of the Glasgow premium horses of last year; Mr. J. Pollock's horses Achilles 8419, and Earl of Glasnick 7679, both got by the famous Flashwood; Mr. W. Renwick's fine massive horse Johnnie's Style 6867, a son of the renowned Darnley, and the choice of the West Lothian Society; Mr. Riddell's big black horse Moneycom, and his chestnut horse Conspiracy, a noted prize-winner; Mr. Alex. Scott's Juryman 5906, a rare example of the Clydesdale and got by Darnley; the same owner's big strong horse Hamish McCann, by Lord Erskine; Mr. Spittal's well-known Crown Royal 4313, which keeps his youth well; Mr. D. Wilkie's Mountain Boy 6099, and the same owner's Prince Julian 8141, a thick, blocky, strong horse, got by Prince of Wales, out of a Top Gallant mare, and chosen by the Falkirk Society. From this a short list of seven was drawn, including Mr. Scott's two horses Juryman and Hamish McCann, Mr. Riddell's Moneycom and Conspiracy, Galbraith's

fine horse Lord Ailsa, which was looking very fresh, and to some seemed like the winner. Master Robin, without any question as fine an example of the Clydesdale as was on the ground, and Mr. Crawford's Look Again. After a deal of consideration the award was made in favor of Moneycom. This is a handsome, big horse, with grand feet and legs, a splendid mover, but a little light in middle, and narrow. Mr. Riddell, after receiving the award withdrew his horse from further competition.

Several new competitors now entered the arena, and the judges of the open class took it in hand. As far as they had the same horses they did not slavishly follow the lead of those who preceded them. The most notable new comer was Mr. Peter Crawford's magnificent big horse Prince Robert 7135. He has not been shown since the Royal at Windsor in 1889, but has generally been regarded as one of the very best horses in the country. He was shown in great form, and was a clear winner from the moment he entered the ring. Such a combination of substance, size and quality is rarely seen in a draught horse. For second place the tie lay between Mr. Riddell's big horse Gallant Prince and Mr. Wm. Taylor's beautiful horse Rosedale, the Duke of Hamilton's premium horse. This is one of the best horses in the country. He is more even than Mr. Riddell's horse, but the latter is bigger and heavier. The umpire decided the tie and put Gallant Prince second, Rosedale third, Juryman was fourth, Johnnie's Style fifth, Topknot sixth, Conspiracy seventh and Master Robin eighth.

The three-year-old class was a first-rate one, and Mr. Walter S. Park's beautiful young horse Gallant Poteath was awarded the Glasgow premium. He was bred by Mr. D. McKinnon, Poteath, W. Kilbride, and is own brother to Mr. J. Gilmour's fine prize mare Montrave Lady. His sire was the great Top Gallant, and his dam was descended from a first-rate class of mares, the dam of the renowned Lass O' Gowrie being amongst the first of them. The stiffest opponent Gallant Poteath had was a splendid horse named Glenalbyn 9228, a horse with first-rate action and extra good bones. He is like his sire Knight Errant in many ways, while he excels him in formation of top. The contest between these horses was very keen, and the umpire had to be called in before the matter was settled. The award was popular, as both horse and owner are worthy. Gallant Poteath is a thick, lowset Clydesdale of first-rate quality, with a faultless formation in front, and good action. The class was then handed on to the other judges, and reinforced by several new comers. Chief amongst these was Mr. Kenwick's renowned and unbeaten Prince Alexander, which easily secured first place, Mr. Riddell's Prince, a grandly colored, big horse that stood second, and Mr. Johnston's big horse William the Conqueror, which passed into seventh place. All of these are sons of Prince of Wales 673, and have been hired on big terms. Gallant Poteath was third, Glenalbyn fourth, Prince of Princess fifth and Royal Stuart sixth. These are promising young horses of first-rate merit—heavy and big.

There was nothing remarkable about the two-year-old class. Mr. Jas. A. Wallace was first with the strong, big colt Duke of Rothesay; Mr. Alstor was second with Vanoras Prince, perhaps the best mover in the show; Messrs. P. & W. Crawford was third with Bonnie Chief 9136; Mr. Wm. Clark fourth with Choice Goods 9161; Mr. Dunn fifth with Sterling 9425; Mr. Shepherd sixth with McCamon Erskine; and Mr. Dempster seventh with Baron of Ladyton.

All else being completed the ring was cleared for the judging of the Cawdor Challenge Cup. Seven judges acted, and the two leading competitors, Prince Robert and Prince Alexander, both sons of the world-famed Prince of Wales, entered the ring. After examination and discussion, followed with great interest by an immense crowd, an award was made in favor of Prince Alexander. We believe the issue was reached by a vote—four voting Prince Alexander and three Prince Robert. A hearty cheer greeted the deliverance, and the first name on the Cawdor Cup will be that of the much-esteemed Mr. William Kenwick, Meadowfield, Corstorphine. The show of 1892 will be long remembered.

**Standard-Bred Trotters at Otter Park.**

Every new accession to the ranks of fine stock breeders deserves to be well received, but when this comes in the form of a first-class breeding establishment it is a benefit to the public at large. Such is the stud at Otter Park. The proprietors, Messrs. Cornwall & Cooke, of Norwich, Ont., have contrived to get together an array of standard-bred horses that are proving that they have a knowledge of their business.

Lexington Boy well deserves premier position at the head of the stud, as he is royally bred and can back up his breeding with performances, as he is endowed with great natural speed, having been given a record of 2.23 at Independence last fall under circumstances that satisfy his owners that this mark is by no means the limit of his speed. It is, therefore, their intention after the coming season in the stud to push him for a lower record, which they have every confidence he will easily obtain. Lexington Boy, foaled 1884, is a handsome seal brown horse, standing fully 16 hands, and weighs 1,150 pounds. He has the best of feet and legs, formed of material that will stand any amount of campaigning, which is proved by the fact that after much road and track work he is still perfectly sound. He is bred in the best speed producing lines, his sire, Egbert (1156), having forty-five performers with records from 2.12½ to 2.30. The dam of Lexington Boy (2.23) is Dixie, by Richelieu, by Mambrino Chief. She is also the dam of Armand 2.25½. Lexington Boy's second dam was Sally, by Merengo, by Imp. Sovereign; third dam by Lint Bassenger, by Imp. Fyde; fourth dam by Hancock's Hamiltonian, by Imp. Diomed; fifth dam by Sea Gull, by Sir Archy, by Imp. Diomed; sixth dam by Blackburn's Whip, by Imp. Whip, by Saltram, by English Eclipse.

Richelieu, also sire of Monogram 2.29½, and Mowgahala 2.39½, and of the dams of Gertie Harkaway 2.26½, Alfred 2.26, Armand 2.25½, Lexington Boy 2.23, Delaware Medium 2.30, and of Waterloo, sire of the dam of McAllister 2.22½, full brother to the dam of Annie Easton, the dam of Dolly Davis 2.29, Endymion 2.23½, and Golden Rod 2.19½, also the dam of Hidalgo, sire of Carl 2.23½, and grandam of Minot 2.26½, by Mambrino Chief. First dam Helen Marr, by Downings, by Messenger, sire of the dam of Clark Chief 89, sire of six 2.30 or better performers. He has nine sons that have sired thirty-seven trotters in the 2.30 list, and seventeen daughters that have twenty in the list. Second dam Red Bird, by Cameron's Whip; third dam by Imp. Diomed.

West McGregor is a bay four years old, bred by A. Young, Lexington, Ky. He is by Robert McGregor 2.17½, sire of Bonny McGregor 2.13½, and twenty-four others in the thirty list. First dam Phoebe, by Ward's Flying Cloud, sire of dams of Early Rose 2.20½, and Defender 2.26. West McGregor is a bright bay, strong, full quarters, with fine showy action, and from his attractive form should prove a most desirable sire.

Dudley Cook 15.955, is a bay colt of handsome build, and well developed, foaled 1890. He is by Barney Wilkes, sire of eight in the list by George Wilkes.

Eglington, brown colt foaled 1888, by Lexington Boy 11.639, record 2.23, dam Belle Stover, by Sherman's Black Hawk, second dam by Imp. Brilliant (Thoroughbred). His colt closely resembles his sire, whom he also imitates in his gait. Altogether there is a very choice array of stallions and fashionably bred mares, while the young things sired by Lexington Boy attest to his wonderful ability as a sire.

Otter Park is conveniently situated in the town of Norwich, which is accessible by rail by the Port Dover, as well as the Tilsonburg, branch of the G. T. R., contains 150 acres of fine pasture land, each field being watered by a running stream, while in buildings and paddocks the equipments are of the most perfect kind. These gentlemen train their own horses, and have built a half mile track second to none, and certainly deserve a share of patronage from the breeders and farmers of this country in response to the enterprising spirit they have displayed.