

DURCO JERSEYS -- There was a fine display of these, in which the chief competitors were Tape Bros., Ridgeway, Wm. Butler & Sons, and W. M. & J. C. Smith. F. W. Trehune, Brantford, was also a strong exhibitor. To judge from the number of exhibitors, this breed is becoming more popular. There was keen competition in all the sections, particularly in sections 2, 3, 4 and 5. Tape Bros. carried off first honors in most of the sections, and had on exhibition some very fine pigs, as also had Butler & Sons and W. M. & J. C. Smith.

GRADES AND CROSSES -- A number of good pigs was shown in these classes, the principal exhibitors being A. Elliott & Sons, Butler & Sons, Norman M. Blain, and J. Featherston.

The prize for the heaviest hog at the show was awarded to Robt. Agnew, Acton, Ont., though George Green's Berkshire came near gaining the red ribbon.

EXPORT BACON HOGS.

The keenest interest was shown in this branch. All animals were judged as to their suitability for the export bacon trade by representatives of the pork packers in the persons of Mr. Chester Fearman, Hamilton, and James Leach, of the Wm. Davies Co., Toronto, with C. W. Yapp, Brantford, as a reserve. Prizes were awarded for the best bacon hog in the different breeds, and a grand sweepstakes with special prizes for the hogs that killed the best.

BERKSHIRES -- Three animals faced the judges. They were all of good length, but, as they were fitted for the regular classes, were too heavy for the export trade. Geo. Green was first and third, and T. A. Cox, second.

YORKSHIRES -- As was to be expected this breed showed up well in this class, and the judges had considerable difficulty in judging. The two lots (four in each) which were in it for first place bothered the judges considerably. These were shown by J. E. Brethour and Jas. Featherston, the latter getting first place and the former second, and Henry Didels third. Many were of the opinion that Oak Lodge should have had first honors, but the judges did not seem to think so.

TAMWORTHES -- Some capital bacon hogs were shown of this breed, the winners being H. George & Son 1st, A. Elliott & Sons 2nd, and W. R. McDonald 3rd. Wm. Butler & Sons showed in this class, but as one of their pigs was too thin they had to drop back.

CHESTER WHITES -- The Chesters showed up better as bacon hogs than many expected. First honors went to D. DeCoursey, Bornholm; 2nd to Wm. Butler & Sons, and 3rd to R. H. Harding, Thorndale, who had a really nice lot on exhibition, two of which showed up pretty well in the killing test.

POLAND CHINAS -- First and third went to W. & H. Jones, Mount Elgin, and second to W. M. & J. C. Smith, Fairfield Plains.

DURCO-JERSEYS -- F. W. Trehune won first place and Tape Bros. second in this class. The only competitor in Suffolks and Essex was Jos. Featherston.

GRADES AND CROSSES -- Some extremely fine bacon hogs were shown in this class, and the judges had to make some very fine distinctions in making the awards. First honors went to J. M. Wilson, Mount Vernon, for a Tamworth cross, though showing Tamworth qualities to a very marked degree. This was also the case with the second prize pig shown by Butler & Sons, which was a Tamworth and Durco-Jersey cross. The third prize went to A. Elliott & Sons, Galt, for a Tamworth and Berkshire cross, a very fine lot for the export trade.

For the best 4 bacon hogs of any breed or grade there were 25 different lots entered in the catalogue, nearly all of which faced the judges. The coveted red ribbon in this class was looked upon as the highest honor in this section, so that the keenest interest was shown in the contest. After a great deal of handling and examining the 1st honors went to J. E. Brethour, Brantford, for four Yorkshires, ideal bacon hogs. One of the judges stated that a barrow in this lot was one of the best pigs on the ground. The 2nd prize also went to the Yorkshires, Joseph Featherston being the winner, his lot being a very close competitor for 1st. The 3rd prize went to J. M. Wilson for his Tamworth grades, winners of 1st place in the grade class. H. George & Sons won 4th place, and Wm. Butler & Sons 5th.

Eighteen different lots were slaughtered for the two best export bacon hogs dressed, making thirty-six hogs in all. These hogs were on exhibition till the second day, when they were killed and the awards made on the last day of the show. This was really the great feature of the show, not only because it was a new one, but because of the great object lesson it furnished of the kind of hog that was really required for our export bacon trade.

The prizes in this class were awarded as follows: First to H. George & Sons, Crampton, for a pair of Tamworth grades; 2nd to Jno. W. German, St. George (Tamworth); 3rd to J. R. McWilliams, Mt. Vernon (Tamworth); 4th to Geo. Green, Fairview (Berkshire); and 5th to Jos. Featherston (Yorkshire grade).

There were thirty-six cows competing in the dairy test, but as the results were not made out till this week we will have to reserve our report till next issue.

There was an interesting exhibit of cream separators shown by R. A. Lister & Co., Montreal, and of grain grinders and windmills by the Gould, Shapley & Muir Co., of Brantford.

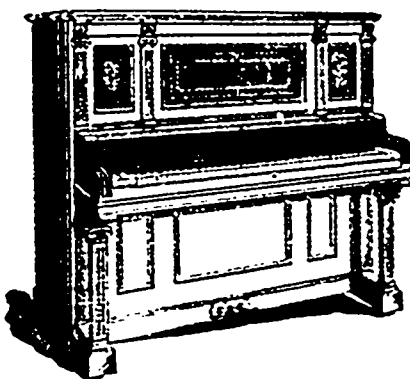
A very interesting, as well as valuable, exhibit was made by the Dominion Department of Agriculture of chickens from the poultry fattening stations dressed, prepared and packed for the export trade.

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