

the largest entry of that type in the class and rather better specimens than of the carriage type. W. Stuart had a fast clean gaited stylish looking pair, which were the outstanding winners, Neil McLauchlin being second. Stuart also won the single driver. In Hackneys three stallions came forward, the competition resting between Heath Rosador (Kinniburghs) and Agility (Will Moodie). The latter horse was going very well considering the ground which was uneven and decidedly unsafe for showing action and pace; his quality, action and muscling placed him over his rival with the double name, who was not going as well, being a little inclined to spraddle behind. W. Moodie had first also in yearling stallions with a breedy-looking chap, and a very promising youngster, although not qualified that day to beat the older horse for the breed sweepstakes. Bryce Wright had first and second on Hackney fillies. The progeny prizes for Heath Rosador foals went to G. A. Sharp on a yearling, C. J. McFarlane having second. It would be more satisfactory if such progeny prizes were confined to foals, or sections made for the different ages. Thoroughbreds were three in number in the aged classes, D. R. Lewis, W. E. McAbee and D. V. Woodruff with an American gaited saddle being placed in the order given. McAbee won with two year stallion and brood mare, Inglis in the yearling section.

The strongest competition in the light horse classes, outside of the drivers came in the saddle classes in which some rather good horses were shown. In the class over 15.2 Goddard (Bow River Horse Ranch) was first, R. de Malherbe getting second and third. In the section over 14.2 and under 15.2 hands Goddard again won first, this time with a well-built, good-actioned chestnut. Malherbe being second, Inglis third.

The showing of the stock horses under stock saddle created considerable interest, the work being very severe, the heavy weights to be carried and the heavy strain on the hocks from the quick turning necessitating a strong bodied and powerfully limbed horse. In the sections over 15, F. W. Bannister, Jas. Turner and Wm Parslow came in the order named, under 15, Harold Bannister first, R. J. Riddel and E. D. Adams were respectively second and third. Girl's saddle pony ridden by owner went to Elsie D. Miller, the three competitors for boy's saddle pony ridden by owners being rated in the following order, Turner, Dick Brown and F. Brown, the latter a five-year-old. Turner had the championship for imported Hackney mare; Moodie the Hackney stallion, sweepstakes. Bryce Wright the championship for light draft mare, a nomenclature we hope will not be followed in future, being confusing and not strictly correct, thus a Thoroughbred is classed as a light draft animal; such is apt to mix the general public up, and confuse in their minds the agricultural class, which is practically the light-draft class with the still lighter classes. Nothing is to be gained by the interbreed sweepstake of the Live Stock Association, it is only money thrown away, the educational effect is nil.

Some capital ponies were shown; the rating of the polo ponies being J. D. Freeman, Al. Landale, Dick Brown; saddle ponies were Goddard first, Wright second, the Cochrane ponies also being first and third over the hurdles. In the high jumping, Geo. Rolls, L. Durand, Goddard were rated in the order given.

#### SHORTHORNS.

The contest for senior bulls was very keen. Six were in the competition, and after much study the red ribbon was finally given to "Crimson General" while "Lucerne" (imp.) owned by John Ramsay of Priddis, a better bull, standing more squarely on his hind feet, with truer underline, line, "a meat to the hocks" fellow took second place. "Crimson General" is a mighty good bull, but he bears the marks of over fitting and "Lucerne" is, if anything a trifle out of show shape. R. K. Bennet's "Trout Creek Hero" was third. In yearling bulls R. K. Bennet's "Model Duke" was first, Turner came second and Little and Ramsay followed suit. Senior bull calves were a close class. Little won first with a very smooth evenly turned animal. McGill came second and Bennet was third. For junior calves, Bennet brought forward a nifty roan that landed the money and Ramsay was a close second.

Eleven entries competed in the class for three-year-old cows. Kinnon's "Endymion" was first. She is a very smooth even handler and was showing in splendid shape. Ramsay's "Howard Queen the 2nd" came next. She is a cow of good form and substance, but she felt rather soft in the covering and so failed to reach the coveted red.

"Loise" owned by Little, a cow of somewhat different type came third. Kinnon was first with a very level roan in the next class and Little and McGill followed in the order named. In the over eighteen months and under two years class there was a good smart ring of six entries. Bennet was first, Peterson was second and Kinnon third. The reversal of the two latter prizes would have met with approval from many, for while the second prize animal was a large sappy heifer, she showed signs of unevenness over the hooks. A half dozen of all types and sizes came forward in the next class. McHugh of Calgary had a winner, Kinnon was second and McGill third. Ramsay had the best yearling calf, Bennet came second and Kinnon's "Golden Jewel" was awarded the honor of being the best female of any age. For herd prize, Kinnon with Sittyton Hero 7th at the head was justly awarded first and Ramsay and Little won second and third respectively. For the special prizes contributed by the Canadian Pacific Railway for Alberta bred Shorthorns there was some good competition. Bennet's herd headed by the yearling bull "Carnation's Hero" was first, McGill and Ramsay second and third. Bennet won first and second for cow three years old or over and Peterson third. Ramsay got first for two-year-old heifer and Bennet for yearling and the same gentlemen got the "firsts" for heifer calf and bull calf. "Juanita" a very smooth even yearling, also owned by Bennet was awarded the silver medal for the best female under two years, bred and owned by exhibitor. The silver cup given by R. K. Bennet of Rushford Ranch for the best two animals any age or sex bred and owned by the exhibitor the progeny of one cow was won by a very fine pair owned by Kinnon.

In Shorthorns it seems strange that there should be a junior and senior bull calf sections, and not in the heifers, although in heifers there was a section for junior and senior yearlings. In view of the rivalry twist Edmonton and this show, it would appear to be good policy for the Calgary board to increase their prize money for Shorthorns in order to qualify for and retain the grant of \$400 of the Dominion Shorthorn Breeders' Association, which is given on the understanding that the exhibition association receiving the grant gives, at least, an equal amount of money to the open Shorthorn classes. Calgary barely does that this year, and judging from the comments of some breeders made at the show will need to buck up to get an equal grant in 1907.

The Hereford entries were not numerous, the Baxter Reed Co. of Olds being the only exhibitors. In Galloways, Adams and King had the field to themselves and brought forward a few very good entries. Dairy cattle were scarce, Tregillus of Calgary and A. Blackwood practically had the field to themselves.

#### SHEEP AND SWINE.

This end of the show is very small, and the entry was said to be lighter than for years past, which, considering the keen demand for the bacon breeds along the C. and E. was rather strange. Sheep were classified as medium, long, and fine wools and while no great fault can be found with such, so long as the exhibit is so small, we submit it would have a good educational effect to state the breeds to be found in these divisions, and a rule should be made that all sheep shown must have been shorn some time previous to the show, since January first in the year in which the show is held. An increase of prizes to the grade sheep section would be beneficial, especially if a flock section as at Winnipeg this year, to include a purebred ram and three or four females any age; grade ewe and wether shearlings might be put in one section, the money increased and pairs called, same with grade lambs, and three prizes offered and it should be stipulated that all grades shown by be purebred rams. This may be considered radical, but from the experience of the writer is necessary. In medium wools, "Balgreggan" was to fore with some Shropshires in good fit, in some classes Peterson being the runner-up, Dick Brown had a large lamb in the class but it wasn't in the bloom of the others. In aged ewes "Balgreggan" was first with a ewe of good conformation, Peterson with a big sheep but dry; ewe lambs, Brown led with "Balgreggan" second and Peterson third. In grades Jones had some big ones, carrying all the wool possible, crossbreds (Oxfords-Leicester) and won easily, Peterson, Brown, and Watkins also got a look-in.

In pigs, Whelan won with a good Berkshire boar, Tregillus being second; if a suggestion is in order, would suggest that class 23 be confined to Yorkshires, and class 24 made for Berkshires with money equal to 23, and that class 25 be made for

Tamworths, that the lard breeds be dropped entirely (this latter suggestion might be followed with profit at every Canadian fair west of the Great Lakes, as the exhibits of the American breeds as seen at Winnipeg, Brandon, Regina, Calgary, Edmonton, New Westminster and Victoria are inferior specimens of their representative breeds and as such should not be encouraged, especially in a country which possesses more suitable kinds, viz., the bacon breeds.)

The class for fat pigs should be dropped entirely, or better a class for bacon barrows over six and under nine months be substituted. Provision should also be made by which the pigs, especially the boars, may be shown in competition outside the pens, no judge can do justice to himself, the owners, or the animals by judging the exhibits in their pens.

#### The Royal Show.

(From our Scottish correspondent.)

"Our Scottish Letter" this time is written from England, where the Royal Show of 1906 is in progress, June 27, to 30, at the great railway center, Derby. His Majesty the King travelled from London, and spent several hours in the yard during the judging day. Accompanied by the Duke of Devonshire, he made an extended examination of the stock, and had a most cordial reception. In spite of the rain, the show was 40-day visited by some 25,000 paying visitors, in addition to members and guests. From these His Majesty received a rousing welcome. Twenty-five thousand paying visitors at 2s. 6d. each represents a revenue of over £3,000, so that there should not be a big loss on this show, even should the weather conditions for the remaining two days of the event be as unfavorable as the first.

The display of stock is one of the best ever seen in a Royal showyard, and this is true beyond cavil regarding the Shorthorn section. No grander display of the red, white and roan has ever been seen on this side of the water. There are close upon 320 representatives of the breed entered, and almost all are forward. Around the ring were fanciers of the breed from many lands, and speaking many languages; among them our good friend, Hon. John Dryden, of Ontario, and several other friends whom the writer met when in Canada a few years ago. The feature of the show was the remarkable success of Mr. J. Deane Willis, Bapton Manor, Codford, St. Mary, Wilts. He bred and owned both the first-prize yearlings, and with them gained both the male and female championships. Both are by one bull, Violet's Fame 78078, a choicely-bred animal, such as Mr. Deane Willis is ever in the way of having at the head of his herd. The male champion is a beautifully level red, exceptionally well furnished at the tail root, and so evenly that you cannot find a flaw in him. He is known as Bapton Viceroy, and is reported to be sold for the extraordinary figure of 2,500 to a South American buyer. Even if the fact be not so, the rumor is sufficient indication of the quality of the animal. His dam is Vanity, by the celebrated Count Lavender 60545. The champion female is Golden Garland, by the same sire, a lovely well-haired roan, out of Golden Geraldine, another daughter of Count Lavender. This is one of the truest and most level heifers seen for many a day. Her maturity of form and fidelity to breed character are rare in an animal so young. It is reported that she also is sold to an Argentine buyer, the price in her case being quoted as 600 gs. [Our correspondent has been misinformed as to the destination of Golden Garland, as this is the heifer Sir Wm. Van Horne has purchased for his Selkirk, Man., farm.—ED.]

Regarding the other youngsters in the classes led by this pair from Bapton Manor, the bull was pressed very hard by a beautiful roan, named Royal Windsor, bred and owned by His Majesty the King. He was got by Luxury, out of another Count Lavender cow. Many regarded this Windsor yearling as fully a match for Bapton Viceroy. He is certainly a much more stylish youngster, carrying himself with unusual gaiety; but he is not as well finished at the tail and on the plates as the red. More wonderful things have happened than that he will finish the better old bull of the two. Earl Manvers had the third in the class, another red, named Illustrious Count, by Lavender Royal, and thus standing in the same relationship to Count Lavender through the sire as the two in front and the champion female do through their dams. He is not at all unlike the first one, but lacks his finish. Mr. John Handley, Greenhead, Milnthorpe, a Westmorland farmer, and one of the best Shorthorn judges in England, had the fourth, another red, named Frayne Challenger, bred in County Meath, Ireland, with a grand