

full share of attention from all interested in draft horse breeding. He is a horse of beautiful quality, and though perhaps not quite of so massive a type as his opponent, shows plenty of substance, together with clean, flat joints and hard, flinty bone. Perhaps we are justified in saying that never before have two better Clydesdales stood side by side in a Canadian showing, and the judges seemed to fully realize that their work was cut out for them. After a careful examination, however, the red ribbon went to the son of old Darnley, with the Cairnbrogie horse a very close second; third place being taken by a very useful horse (owned by Messrs. Little, of Sandhill, Ont.), Westfield Stamp, a big, powerful horse, by Cairnbrogie Stamp, of a pattern calculated to get good export geldings, although perhaps hardly as nice near the ground as he might be. Fourth went to McQuaker, by McGregor, exhibited by Messrs. Graham; a smaller horse of good quality.

In the class for stallion and four of his colts, Grandeur again scored a win, although pressed hard by Westfield Stamp, two of whose colts were of exceptional merit. Only one three-year stallion was forward: Locksley, bred and exhibited by R. Beith & Co., and got by their old stock horse, Sir Walter.

In the next two classes the Thorncliffe stud furnished the winners, first place in the two-year-olds going to King's Own, by Queen's Own, out of the imported mare, Candour, while his own brother took similar honors in the yearling class. Both are colts of nice quality, King's Own being a specially good mover; the younger colt, however, although not as far forward as a yearling, has, we fancy, a good deal of outcome to him and should make the better horse. Second place in the two-year-old class went to McQueen, another of the get of Queen's Own, shown by Alexander Doherty, with Grandeur 2nd third, a big but rather plain colt out of Grandeur, bred and exhibited by Messrs. I. Davitt & Son, Freeman, Ont. Another get of the same sire, out of a Boydston Boy mare, from the Woodlands stud, was second in the yearlings, while a big bay colt, bred and exhibited by Messrs. Davidson, of Balsam, and sired by Tofy, was placed third; a big strong fellow, but a bit plain about the feet and ankles.

Sweepstakes for the best stallion any age went to Grandeur, adding another to his already long list of trophies.

Three-year-old fillies had only one entry, a dark bay filly, owned by Messrs. Sorby, and sired by Grandeur; while the next two classes, two-year-olds and yearlings, brought out three of each age, the first prize two-year-old being sent forward by Messrs. Davidson: a very nice filly by Westfield Stamp, with a capital top and good hard shanks; a thick, drafty filly by Grandeur taking second, and a daughter of that old-time prize-winner, MacNeillage, shown by Wm. Foster & Sons, Humber, Ont., third. Grandeur's get were again victorious in the yearling class; the Woodlands stud taking first, with a short-legged, blocky filly of Messrs. Davidson's, by Tofy, second.

In the class for brood mares were five entries from Thorncliffe, but the brown mare, Candour, having lost her foal, unfortunately, could not show; otherwise it would have been a clean sweep for this popular stud. As it was they took away first and second ribbons for Bar Belle and Nellie, well-known winners, as a team, in the past; a useful sort of a mare, by Boydston Boy, shown by Messrs. Davidson, and somewhat low in condition, coming in third.

As the prizes for mares went, so did those for the foals; first going to Bar Belle's colt, foaled by Prince of Quality, and a right good one he is, big and full of quality. He shows wonderful character, and was pronounced by excellent judges around the ringside one of the best foals ever shown in Toronto. The second prize mare's foal, by the same sire, we did not fancy nearly so well, although, as he is only a little over two months old, he has not had much chance yet, and may develop into a much better youngster than we think him now; while on the other hand, the third prize winner, by Tofy, had, perhaps, been pushed a little too much ahead. An easy winner in this class for mare with two of her progeny was found in Candour, with her two sons, which were winners respectively in the yearling and two-year-old stallion classes, while the same matron finished up by winning the sweepstakes medal for mare of any age.

Messrs. Graham not having brought their entry, only three teams were forward, and again the Thorncliffe stud was victorious, with a pair of light bays, four and five years old; Hendrie & Co. (Ltd.) coming second with a pair of mares, bred by Wm. Foster & Sons, of a capital good pattern, but showing evidences of hard street work. Messrs. Davidson took third for a big, strong pair of bays.

ENGLISH SHIRE HORSES.

The classes for Shire stallions were not by any means well filled, there being only three aged horses and one three-year-old forward. In the aged class, Pride of Hatfield, the Fonthill stock

horse, carried away the red ribbon; second going to Duke of Blagdon, shown by J. M. Gardhouse, a smooth, compact little horse, bred at the famous Blagdon stud—a good pattern, if a little undersized; while the third went to Geo. Garbutt's old horse, Darnley, an old-time winner, but now almost past his show days. Undoubtedly the best Shire present, however, was the three-year-old colt, Kilburn, imported and exhibited by Berry & Geiger, Hensall, Ont., to whom was awarded the sweepstakes ribbon. In our opinion this is the best Shire we have seen in Canada for a long time; he promises to make a very heavy horse, and, while showing any amount of bone and substance, he is a horse of excellent quality, and all that the most fastidious could ask for about his feet and ankles. He has a good top, and a capital shoulder and arm, but we should have liked to have seen his stifles a little better let down, and perhaps some judges might like a trifle less bend to his hocks. Three-year-old fillies brought out two from Fonthill and one from the Muskoka stud, and to the latter, a blue-roan, by St. Hybold, went the red. This is a very smooth, sweet mare, low down and thick, with excellent feet and pasterns, and handles herself well. Second and third went to a pair of bays by the Carbon horse, Prince Charles; fairly good bodied fillies, but with hardly the right kind of underpinning. Only one two-year-old was present, a bay from Fonthill, by Pride of Hatfield; while out of three yearlings, the first and third were by the same sire. Second went to a filly from the Muskoka stud, of rather a plain sort and in low condition. In brood mares, Morris, Stone & Wellington again scored a win with a brown mare of their own breeding, by Chieftain 2nd, with Mr. Crossley's Queen of Althorpe second, and Sham, by Samson the Great, exhibited by Wm. Fenwick, Stanley Mills, third. As in the Clydes, so here, the foals went as the brood mares did. The Fonthill stud got first on a very good foal by their own horse, decidedly the best foal present; second going to Mr. Crossley for a foal by Bravo 2nd, and third to Wm. Fenwick for a horse colt by Diseworth Blue. Queen of

brought out seven entries, the winner being found in Messrs. Davidson's Kate Hill 3rd, a very nice, sweet filly by Westfield Stamp, with Smithfield Maid, shown by Colin Cameron, Thistle town, by MacNeillage, second; and Corinne, by Queen's Own, from the Cairnbrogie stud, third. The latter has hardly done as well as she might, and was a little low in condition, otherwise she is a very useful, thick filly, with plenty of bone and hair. The Woodlands stud had a winner in yearling fillies in the dark bay Eva, by Grandeur, a good, even filly that should make a capital mare. Amos Agar, Nashville, came in second with Rose, by Castlemore Bob; and Colin Campbell, Thistle town, third, with The Thistle, a full brother to the second prize two-year-old. There were only four brood mares in this class, and of these the Lewie Gordon mare, Kate Hill 2nd, bred by Messrs. Davidson, and exhibited by Wm. Brewster, McIntyre, Ont., of a big, good sort, and, by the look of her foal, a good breeder, stood first. Dolly Newburn, by Lord Derby, captured the blue for Colin Cameron; she is a low-set mare, of a wearing pattern. Hyder & Parkin, Oxford Centre, came in third with Rose Beresford, by Lord Beresford. For foals, Wm. Brewster was first with a horse colt by Tofy, out of Kate Hill 2nd; Colin Cameron second with a filly by MacNeillage, out of Dolly Newburn; and Hyder & Parkin third with a rather nice youngster by Self-Esteem. The medal for the best mare and two of her progeny went to Kate Hill 2nd and her son and daughter—the first prize foal and the first prize two-year-old filly, while she wound up by winning the medal for mare any age. First place for span of draft horses went to Hendrie & Co. (Ltd.) for Thumper and Bouncer, with Geo. Morrison, also of Toronto, second with Sandy and Tom.

GENERAL PURPOSE HORSES.

The advisability of having a class of this description having been frequently mooted some two or three years ago, the directors did away with it, but for some reasons it was this year restored to the prize list. The justice of the objections made to the class in the past was, we think, fully proven this year by the heterogeneous nature of the exhibit. While there were not more than five entries in any class, the prizes were divided up between half-bred Clydes, Coach and Carriage horses, Thoroughbreds, Trotters and Hackneys. Exhibitions are generally supposed to be for two purposes chiefly: to encourage the breeding of the best stock and to act as an object lesson to those who are trying to improve their methods of breeding, but we are very dubious as to the advisability of encouraging the breeding of a class of horses that are not fetching enough money to pay for the cost of raising them, and if any one can learn anything about the best way to breed general purpose horses in a class in which the prizes were divided as follows—to colts sired by imp. Coach horses, 4 prizes; to colts sired by Carriage horses, 2 prizes; to colts sired by Trotting horses, 4 prizes; to colts sired by Thoroughbred horses, 2 prizes; to

colts sired by Hackney horses, 2 prizes; to colts sired by imp. Clydesdales, 6 prizes; to colts sired by Canadian Draft horses, 2 prizes—we shall be very much surprised. If the Association is anxious to give a class for horses of the stamp usually used on farms throughout the country, why not call it the Agricultural or Light Draft Horse class? and then we venture to say that a much more even and satisfactory exhibit will be sent forward.

PONIES

were numerous and well brought out, especially the children's turnouts, which caused many an ambitious youth to transgress the tenth commandment.

THE CATTLE.

The cattle-breeders of Canada have shown commendable courage and enterprise in keeping their stock up to a high standard of excellence, in spite of the hard times and of reduced prices available. They seem to fully realize that live stock is the sheet anchor of farming, and that only the best will pay for raising, and especially for showing. The show of cattle at Toronto this year was fully up to the average of past years in numbers and probably above the average in quality. All the breeds were well represented and were brought out in fine condition. The number of entries in the various classes, according to the catalogue, were as follows:—

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| Shorthorns—123..... | Exhibitors—27 |
| Jerseys—110..... | "—20 |
| Ayrshires—84..... | "—10 |
| Holsteins—74..... | "—8 |
| Galloways—48..... | "—4 |
| Polled Angus—40..... | "—4 |
| Herefords—40..... | "—4 |
| Guernseys—31..... | "—4 |
| Devons—12..... | "—1 |

SHORTHORNS.

The display in this class was unusually good, and the cattle were brought out in exceedingly fine condition. There was a uniformity of type throughout the whole class, which speaks volumes for the good judgment and skill of the breeders. The smooth, medium-sized, blocky, short-legged sort



THE SHORTHORN SWEEPSTAKE COW COMPETITION.

Althorpe and two colts was the only entry for mare and two of her progeny, while the only team shown was a pair of big, powerful mares by Hero and King of the Castle respectively, shown by J. M. Gardhouse. Best mare of any age brought out the greatest number of entries of any class, but finally the judges tied the ribbon on Mr. Crossley's blue-roan three-year-old. Although not as big as some others, this is a big little mare, very thick and short-legged, and of excellent quality, with good wearing feet, and a nice mover.

HEAVY DRAFT HORSES (CANADIAN-BRED).

The class for aged stallions brought out a ring of good, big, heavy horses, headed by the sweepstakes winner of 1894—the black horse, Samson, bred by J. McMillan & Son, and exhibited by P. Harold, V. S., Tavistock, sired by Ringleader, a very useful-looking horse, of a thick, blocky type, with heavy bone and plenty of feather. Second went to Ira Nattress, Mill Brook, Ont., for another black, by Gen. Arthur, a good thick one also; while D. & R. McGeachy, Coleraine, came in third with Lochiel II., by Lochiel, a wide, low-set, short-legged bay, that by the look of some of his get that are being exhibited is breeding well. There were no three-year-old stallions, and the sweepstakes went to Samson. In the gelding class, Hendrie & Co. (Ltd.) came in first with Douglas—a good pattern for a lorry—bred by Jno. Morrison, Brooklin, and by The McFadden; second going to Wm. Wilson, Oshawa, for a gray by Eastfield Laddie; and third to I. Davitt & Son, Freeman. In the three-year-old class there were three fillies forward, and the winner was found in Graham Bros.' Queen of Atha. This is a grand mare, and was shown in the pink of condition. She has now an unbeaten record, having won first at the Industrial as a foal, yearling, two-year-old, and three-year-old. Good as this filly is, she had a very close competitor in Bell, by Lochiel II., bred and shown by Amos Agar, Nashville, Ont.—a very sweet mare with excellent feet and pasterns; third place going to Hyder & Parkin, Oxford Centre, for a filly rather low in condition. Two-year-old fillies