

have visited the largest shows of the United States to have largely outranked the best ever made in that progressive country. From first to last it was the main attraction, the two narrow alleyways between coops having been overcrowded with interested spectators.

The total number of entries was 4,250, the great bulk of these being in the utility classes, and among them it would be difficult to say which was the best. All were so good that the judges must have had great difficulty in placing their awards. The Wyandottes were as usual largely represented, the white variety producing a large class of very handsome birds, conspicuous among them being the pens exhibited by Messrs. J. Belford, Geo. Brierly, J. Coulter, Wright Bros., L. H. Baldwin, John G. Martin and Mrs. W. Dawson.

A comparatively new variety, which is becoming popular, is the Columbian Wyandotte, of which about one hundred birds were shown. In appearance they resemble the Light Brahma but are not so coarse and lack the feathered legs. Mr. T. H. Scott, of St. Thomas, who exhibited some fine specimens, says that he finds their excellent winter layers and good general utility birds. In other varieties of Wyandottes, Partridge and Buff were in the majority, many of them being very handsome and well shown.

Plymouth Rocks made a grand display, showing that these popular birds have in no way fallen in public estimation. In point of numbers, the Barred and the White led, and a finer lot of fowls it would be hard to find, the exhibits of Messrs. Newton Cosh, I. K. Millard, F. W. Krouse, Jas. Hodge, Jno. Pringle and C. Hocken in Barred Rocks attracting much attention for their high quality. Want of space in this issue prohibits our dealing in detail with all the varieties of fowls on exhibition. All were well represented from the giant Cochins to the diminutive and lovely Bantams, and will be more particularly referred to later on.

TURKEYS.

Turkeys were a splendid class, the Bronze specimens being greatly admired. These birds are not, however, as a whole, exhibited to the best advantage, a great many of them, probably the majority, being penned down upon the floor, where the light is bad and so they are largely passed over unseen, it being impossible to stoop so as to get a view of the birds, with the crowd pressing in the alleyway.

WATERFOWL.

To the waterfowl fancier this show must have been a revelation. Never before have so many and such fine birds been brought together. Ducks and geese of all varieties were particularly strong in quality, though it was rather surprising to find among them so few specimens of those grand old favorites, the Rouen ducks. Some nice specimens of the exhibited by Messrs. Baker Bros., Jas. M. McCormack, G. J. Lawrie, G. & J. Bogue and Thos. M. Shea, but there should have been more of them.

PIGEONS.

The varieties of these birds seem to be endless, and the greater the oddity in shape and color produced by the fancier, the more they are valued. The exhibit in this class was an immense one, and Mr. Wagner, who judged it, certainly had the time of his life in placing the awards.

Cattle and Sheep Awards next issue.

THE DAIRY TEST AT GUELPH

There were thirty-five entries in the dairy test at the Winter Fair this year. The records made were of a much higher average last year. A feature was the records made by the younger animals in the test. The highest score was 155.57, as compared with 139.28 last year. A year ago, several cows did not make the min-

imum score to qualify. This year there were only one or two below the minimum. A feature was the high average made by the milking Shorthorns. The Jerseys were again conspicuous by their absence. Jersey breeders are making a mistake by remaining away from this show. The following is the score for the 48-hour test:—

SHORTHORN COW, 48 MONTHS AND OVER.

| Name of Cow and Owner. | Lbs. MILK. | PER CENT FAT. | Lbs. FAT. | Lbs. SOLIDS NOT FAT. | Total Points. |
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| Kentucky Queen, 38948, Jas. Brown, Norval. | 91.32 | 4.1 | 3.74 | 8.54 | 119.12 |
| Can. Queen, Vol. 19, G. Armstrong, Speedside | 103.87 | 3.1 | 3.22 | 9.45 | 110.85 |

SHORTHORN COW, 36 MONTHS AND UNDER 48.

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| Lady McKay 2nd, 69110, Jas. Brown | 97.33 | 4.2 | 4.09 | 8.86 | 131.13 |
| Rose of Kentucky 34, 69970, Jas. Brown | 89.08 | 3.6 | 3.21 | 7.79 | 104.32 |

SHORTHORN HEIFER, UNDER 36 MONTHS.

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| Lady Guelph, 76721, Jas. Brown | 80.86 | 4.0 | 3.23 | 7.33 | 102.74 |
| Gracey Gwynne, 80976, Jno. Kelly, Shakespear | 50.32 | 4.4 | 2.35 | 4.89 | 73.42 |

AYRSHIRE COW, 48 MONTHS AND OVER.

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| Jean Armour, 15591, Geo. Rice, Tilsonburg | 114.26 | 3.8 | 4.34 | 10.40 | 139.70 |
| Sarah 2nd, 13192, H. & J. McKee, Norwich | 115.56 | 3.5 | 4.04 | 10.34 | 132.02 |
| Victoria, 13788, H. & J. McKee | 91.52 | 4.3 | 3.94 | 8.67 | 124.51 |
| Pet of H. Hill, 21259, N. Dymont, Clappison | 91.67 | 3.8 | 3.48 | 7.63 | 110.69 |

AYRSHIRE COW, 36 MONTHS AND UNDER 48.

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| White Rose 2nd, 17841, H. & J. McKee | 95.58 | 4.2 | 4.01 | 8.79 | 127.02 |
| Old Ada's Last, 17340, H. & J. McKee | 73.57 | 3.5 | 2.57 | 6.99 | 88.02 |
| White Floss, 18652, Geo. Rice | 55.83 | 4.1 | 2.29 | 5.11 | 76.26 |

AYRSHIRE HEIFER, UNDER 36 MONTHS.

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| White Floss of Brookside, 20139, H. & J. McKee | 67.38 | 3.4 | 2.29 | 6.10 | 76.45 |
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HOLSTEIN COW, 48 MONTHS AND OVER.

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| Ev'rgr'n March, 3,806, G. Clemons, St. George | 139.82 | 3.4 | 4.73 | 11.54 | 155.57 |
| Beauty's Buffalo Girl, 3562, P. Ede, Oxf'd C'tre | 115.57 | 3.2 | 3.70 | 10.34 | 123.52 |
| Canary Starlight Lassie B, 3960, Geo. Rice | 93.64 | 3.9 | 3.65 | 8.76 | 117.53 |

HOLSTEIN COW, 36 MONTHS AND UNDER 48.

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| Artalissa, 5845, Jas. Rettie, Norwich | 116.75 | 3.1 | 3.62 | 9.77 | 121.41 |
| Daisy Texal Posh, 5280, Geo. Rice | 109.01 | 3.0 | 3.27 | 9.43 | 110.04 |

HOLSTEIN HEIFER, UNDER 36 MONTHS.

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| Iantha Jewel M. 3rd, 5530, L. Hale, Springfield | 93.64 | 4. | 3.75 | 9.04 | 120.87 |
| Iantha Jewel Posh, 6891, Jas. Rettie | 108.32 | 3.2 | 3.47 | 9.21 | 116.18 |
| Ina Pauline Mercedes, 6063, H. Bollert, Cassel | 92.68 | 3.7 | 3.43 | 8.39 | 111.44 |
| Queen Pietertje Mercedes 2nd, 6094, Geo. Rice | 71.87 | 3.6 | 2.59 | 6.68 | 84.79 |

GRADE COW, 48 MONTHS AND OVER.

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| Holstein Lassie, Geo. Rice | 99.76 | 4.1 | 4.09 | 8.93 | 129.04 |
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GRADE HEIFER, UNDER 36 MONTHS.

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| Pet, N. D. Liddycoat, Clappison | 64.82 | 3.4 | 2.20 | 6. | 73. |
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