

duce their good qualities may be judged off the frequency and persistence in their stock of certain slight markings. How frequently, for example, do well bred bulls, with a strong infusion of Duchess blood, get their calves out of us of all sorts and colors distinctively marked with the white spot on the loin, and frequently on the tail!

To obtain a tolerably certain result in breeding, reats must be selected possessing tolerably similar characters. Uncertainty and disappointment are sure to follow from the attempt to breed from unlike or very dissimilar parents. The failure generally follows the union of the sought mare and thorough-bred horse, or vice versa. The dissimilar characters of such unlike animals cannot be properly blended in the offspring, and nondescript horses with big heads, inefficient action, weak limbs, and bad feet, are the usual results. All this, we thought, was already sufficiently well known to every farmer and breeder, and yet we this week met an intelligent gentleman returned home from the Cape, purchasing to take out with him a number of cart fillies to be put to an Arab, and from this ignorant and unsuitable union a good stamp of fine horse is expected. Time and money could be great better spent on strong, active, affbred mares, which should, in our opinion, be put, not to an Arab, but a strong stout, well-bred, short-legged English thorough-bred.—*Yth British Agriculturist.*

Judging Stock, &c., at the Provincial Exhibition.

EDITOR OF THE AGRICULTURIST—SIR,—I take liberty of sending a line to you, as I see many complaints in last number of the *Agriculturist* in reference to having too many classes on Sheep. You say you want communications on subjects touching the different merits of the arrangements of the show. Formerly one set of Judges had to act on two three classes of sheep, and I have frequently seen sheep shown in two different classes. When thrown out of the Leicester class, they would turn right into the Longwool. I think by having sets of judges for every class, making them all come out at the same time, is the best preventive against such things. The principle is a good one, and would be carried out every year, however much it may displease a few exhibitors. Truly if a man has got ambition to raise five six distinct breeds of stock, he can or will go to employ men to look after his own interest when it would be only for one or two years. I have been an exhibitor of late and shall be one this year, and think it behoves every one to try and have the show conducted in a

proper manner. I am sure the managers will not encourage anything else, as it is to the verdict of those shows that we look for satisfaction. Yours respectfully,

AN EXHIBITOR.

Halton, Sept. 1862.

Agricultural Intelligence.

Agricultural Exhibitions this Autumn.

PROVINCIAL AND STATE.

Upper Canada, at Toronto, September 22nd—26th.

New York State, at Rochester, September 30 to October 3.

Illinois State, at Peoria, September 30 to Oct. 4.

COUNTIES.

Stormont, at Cornwall, Oct. 8th and 9th.
North Simcoe, at Barrie, Oct. 1st.
Brockville, at Brockville, 18th and 19th.
South Simcoe, at Bradford, Oct. 2nd.
Durham West, at Bowmanville, Oct. 9 to 10.
North Lanark, at Almonte, Sept. 16th.
Russell, at Osborne, Sept. 30.
Peel, at Brampton, Sept. 17th and 18th.
North Leeds & Grenville, at Frankville, Oct. 1.
North Ontario, at Prince Albert, Oct. 7th.
East York, at Markham Village, Oct. 9th.
South Wellington, at Guelph, Oct. 10.
North Wellington, at Fergus, Oct. 14.
South Grenville, at Prescott, Oct. 8th and 9th.
West Northumberland, at Grafton, Oct. 15.
Addington, at Newburgh, Oct. 25.
Dundas, at Morrisburgh, Oct. 2, 3.
Niagara, at Niagara, Oct. 9.
Lambton, at Sarnia, October 8th.
South Waterloo, at Ayr, October 1st.
Prescott, at L'Orignal, September 26th.
Kent, at Chatham, October 9th.
West Elgin, at Wallacetown, October 14.
Norfolk, at Simcoe, October 14.
South Hastings, at Belleville, October 7.

TOWNSHIPS.

Puslinch, at Aberfole, Oct. 8th.
Hamilton Township, at Baltimore, Oct. 9.
Barton and Glanford, at Ryckman's Corners, Oct. 2nd.
Camden, at Centreville, Oct. 18.
Vaughan, at Burwick, Oct. 30.
Norwich, at Otterville, Oct. 11.
Portland, at Harrowsmith, Oct. 17th.
Erin, at Hillsburg, October 16.
Yarmouth, at Clark's Hotel, St. Thomas, October 14.