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Edmonton Exhibition

Edmonton exhibition this year reached the high water mark of success. In the comparatively few years during which Edmonton has been included in the western fair circuit it has rapidly developed, until this year one of the very keenest competitions amongst all branches of the livestock exhibits ever staged in Western Canada took place in the northern capital city. One of the drawing cards of the exhibition was, of course, the holding of the Percheron futurity, which brought out a splendid display of promising youngsters of the black and grey drafter breed. The judges were: Clydesdales, Robt. Graham, Toronto, and J. M. Gardhouse, Weston, Ont.; Percherons, J. M. Fletcher, Elgin, Ill.; Shires, J. M. Gardhouse; Belgians and Suffolk Punch, Robt. Graham; Shorthorns and Herefords, Peter White, Pembroke, Ont.; Aberdeen-Angus, Capt. T. E. Robson, London, Ont.; Holsteins, Ayrshires and Jerseys, W. F. Stephen, Huntingdon, Que.; sheep, J. McCaig, Edmonton, and hogs, W. J. Elliott, Olds, Alta.

Horses

The Clydesdales were out in fair numbers and some very close competition was in evidence. P. M. Bredt had a very good string of females, and "Poppy," his splendid aged mare, again justly brought home the female championship. In the aged stallion class "Gay Douglas," by "Scotland Yet," owned by Neil Cameron, Innisfail, was first, Bredt's "Royal Trustee" second, and Butler's "Solicitor

"Browndale" being put up over either "Burnbrae Sultan" or "Oakland Star." The unbeaten record thru the whole show circuit of Watt's "Gainford Perfection" as male champion and "Silver Queen," as female champion, was upheld.

The addition of two local herds, those of Lew Hutchinson, Duhamel, and W. R. Stewart, Halkirk, to the herds of Bowman, of Guelph, and McGregor, of Brandon, caused some interesting competition among the Aberdeen-Angus classes. The local herds had some very creditable animals, but, being shown in field condition, they did not have the finish for top places of the other herds. McGregor's "Eveux of Harviestown" was champion bull, and his "Key of Heather" was female champion.

The Hereford line up was particularly good. Alberta has some very strong herds of these splendid range cattle, and the local exhibitors were well to the fore against the three herds which have competed at the other shows. Exhibitors were: Frank Collicut, Calgary; V. W. Smith, Camrose; J. A. Chapman, Hayfield; James Page, Wallace town, Ont., and L. O. Clifford, Oshawa, Ont. Grand champion bull was "Bonnie Brae 31," owned by J. Page, and Chapman's "Miss Armour Fairfax" was grand champion female.

Holsteins are strong in Alberta, and the showing this year was very creditable indeed. There were three new herds exhibiting, namely, those of E. Eckert, Edmonton; Duke of Sutherland, Hay Creek, and J. J. Bell, Horse Hills.



"Beau Fairy," female junior champion and reserve grand champion at Edmonton Exhibition. Owned by J. A. Chapman, Hayfield, Man.

General' third. Champion and reserve stallions were "Dunrobin Pathfinder" and "Dunrobin Hiawatha," owned by W. C. Sutherland, Saskatoon. Other exhibitors well in the money were: H. Burns, Edmonton; A. R. Gillies, Clover Bar; W. E. Butler, Edmonton; Mrs. M. G. Bredt, Calgary; W. R. Minnick, Edgerton; J. A. Jamieson, Halkirk; D. Thorburn, De Winton, and P. H. Winter, Lacombe.

The Percheron awards on account of the important futurity are given in a separate report.

Some good individual Shires were shown by Tom Rawlinson and G. L. Warner, both of Innisfail. Rawlinson's "Hampton Royal Friar" was champion stallion, and Warner's "Queen Carlton" was champion female.

Belgians were not of any high standard, but some useful types were shown. "Perfection," owned by W. R. Gordon, Ryley, was champion stallion, and "Suzanne De Holder," owned by S. C. Villetard, was champion mare. Three representative Suffolk Punch horses were shown by the Diamond B Ranch, Nainoa. "Mortson Freeman" was champion stallion.

Cattle

The line up of Shorthorns was practically the same as at Regina and Saskatoon, and no very material changes in placing were noted. In the aged bull class perhaps it is difficult to justify

Bevington's herd seemed to have the type which best suited the judge, and the heaviest end of the awards went his way. The judge's placings were not altogether consistent with those given at other shows, and did not give quite as much satisfaction generally as might have been wished. Bevington's bull, "Count Tensen A," was grand champion male, and his cow, "Jacoba Johanna," was grand champion female.

Unfortunately only R. Ness' splendid herd of Ayrshires was showing this year. Formerly much more competition was in evidence among Ayrshire breeders. In Jerseys the same two herds contested for the ribbons, namely, those of R. H. Bull and Sons, Brampton, Ont., and J. Harper and Son.

Sheep and Hogs

In sheep local exhibitors were well to the fore, and in all classes excellent representatives of the several breeds were in evidence. Naturally, in a range country, there were some particularly good grade sheep shown. Some of the breeds were represented by one exhibitor. In Southdowns, Johnston Bros., Langdon, Alta., exhibited alone, so did A. McEwen, Byron, Ont., in Shropshires, H. Smith, Camrose, with Leicesters, and J. A. Chapman, Hayfield, with Dorset Horns. In Oxfords, Hampshires and Suffolks competition was keen. Exhibitors of Oxfords were: G. R. Ball, West