

the best English blood, which fact makes their exhibition particularly attractive. What is much needed is a better and definite place of showing, so that the many who desire to witness this attractive display may do so in comfort and to the best advantage. No doubt the bad arrangement this year so much complained of in various horse classes (speeding excepted) will be rectified for the '97 exhibition.

In stallions, with their progeny of four not over two years old, Mr. Crossley had the matter his own way with his great stock horse Fireworks and four handsome youngsters. Messrs. Beith had entered Jubilee Chief, but through not having all the progeny registered he was not allowed to compete. In aged stallions the only new entry was Graham Bros.' Royal Standard, so successfully shown at the last Canadian Horse Show. He was brought out upon this occasion in, if anything, better form than upon his first Canadian contest. His size, which cannot be faulted; his finish, which is well-nigh perfect; and his magnificent way of going, behind as well as in front, can hardly be improved upon. Not only is he graceful, but such speed as he shows! He captured the first award, as did he also the sweepstakes for best stallion and for best Hackney on the ground. In his male sweepstakes contest he had not a great lead over his only opponent, Barthorpe Performer, the Hillhurst winning three-year-old, a high-going, well put up dark chestnut that we would say could strike a three-minute clip without much handling, and that, with his great style of going, makes him a great Hackney. Beith's Banquo and Crossley's Fireworks were in their usual good form. Their heavy stud demands do not appear to detract from their freshness in appearance and action. The noble son of Jubilee Chief took away the second award, and the Rosseau horse third. Hastings' little Black Nobleman is all Hackney, but more of him would be desirable. Three-year-olds had, besides the Hillhurst colt above mentioned, a very sweet horse of Mr. Crossley's, Rosseau Performer, the strawberry-roan that goes so gracefully. He has grown and filled out beyond our expectations, and continually improves in his way of going. Two-year-olds had the dark brown Rosseau Fireball, son of Fireworks, and Danish Duke, from Hillhurst, by Fordham. The Rosseau colt got it by a narrow majority. He is a bit more cobby in his make-up, and goes in a decidedly pleasing manner, as did also the other colt. Yearlings were represented by a colt from each of the Deer Park and Hillhurst farms. The latter, a bay by Hayton Shales, is a promising youngster, and goes well, while the Toronto black colt by Black Nobleman is of fairly cobby style.

Three-year-old fillies had two entries from the Hillhurst and Deer Park studs. The latter, Fannie Bardolph, by Lord Bardolph, a very fine chestnut, put up a pleasing exhibition. She won over Matchless Maid, by Fordham, a well-mannered bay with considerable style. One of the great mares of the show was Jessica, by Jubilee Chief, the winner in every contest she has entered, if we remember rightly. She is a full sister of Banquo, and resembles him very closely in conformation and action. She is a great goer and of good size. The second prize filly was Roan Rosa, by Dundrennan, a tidy mare, with very trappy action, shown by Graham Bros. Hastings' Princess Denmark, by Star of Mepal 2nd, was 3rd. Yearling Lady Shales, from Hillhurst, was the only yearling Hackney mare to which an award was given. A very fine mare from Bowmanville contested, but went a little lame and was thrown out.

In brood mares the judges had a heavy task to decide between three extraordinary matrons—Princess Dagmar, from Hillhurst; Crossley's Lady Bird, and Beith's Lady Aberdeen. These mares are all imported and all regular breeders. A casual glance at them standing, and going as well, would have led one to think that each might have been given 1st, with an equal distribution of the money. It will be remembered that Princess Dagmar won 1st at New York two years ago. She is a great mare, perhaps a little more worn than the others, but she was considered good enough for 1st place, also sweepstakes winner. Crossley's Lady Bird and Beith's Lady Aberdeen would match up well and stand a good chance in pairs of high-steppers. They are brown, very cobby, sweet, and act to perfection. Lady Bird won 2nd. Lady Aberdeen's foal by Banquo won 1st, Princess Dagmar's daughter by Barthorpe Performer 2nd, and Lady Bird's get of Fireworks won 3rd. The foals were a good lot.

Single Hackneys in harness, not more than 153 hands, had a good trio in the noted Althorpe Duchess, Beith's Mona's Queen, and Charwoman, from Hillhurst Farm. They were about as hard to judge as the brood mares, but the awards were given in the mentioned order. Althorpe Duchess also won in single high-steppers not more than 15.3. Pairs of high-steppers were numerous and good, the prizes being mostly taken by dealers.

The Dog-cart and Cob classes were better filled than on previous occasions, which shows that more attention is being paid to this class of city horses.

#### ROADSTERS.

The Roadster class is always a mixed one in breeding, the entries being sired by Standard-bred trotters, Hackneys, and Thoroughbreds. This is sure to result in a variety of type and way of going. This year, as upon some former occasions, the gets of running sires captured a good portion of

the awards, especially in the younger sections. The judges—Messrs. A. Choate, Port Hope; F. C. Hulton, V. S., Welland; Dr. Aikins, Burnhamthorpe—expressed a preference for the progeny of Thoroughbred sires when desirable size and conformation can be secured along with moderate action. Such horses can seldom be driven faster than ten or eleven miles an hour, but that rate of speed can usually be maintained seven days in the week. The entries this year were not more than one would expect to see, but invariably more than enough very worthy ones could be found to bear away the ribbons.

Stallions four years old and upwards had to be 154 hands in height in order to qualify. Of these, eight were out to be judged. With the exception of a couple, the section was a good one. The race for first place lay between three horses, any of which could not well have been objected to had they been placed at the top. On their first appearance, Tony Wilkes, by Honest Wilkes, owned by John McBride, Newton Brook, seemed to have the preference. He is almost a perfect pattern, being very uniform, handsome, and an excellent mover. His depth and girth, as well as his length and fullness of quarter, are hard to improve upon. The second day's showing placed him where he stood last year, in second place. The first prize winner was Black Valentine, by Valentine, a horse much like Tony Wilkes in make-up, while his glittering coat could not fail to win one's affections. His action, too, is of the right sort, being graceful and rapid. He won the sweepstakes award. The third award was taken by a particularly breezy bright bay, very sweet and fine, owned by J. D. Smith, Campbell's Cross. He is a son of Gold Leaf, and is known as Gold Dust. To get speedy horses we would depend upon this horse. There were at least two prizes between the third and fourth in the matter of quality.

Three-year-olds were an indifferent lot of four, just two of which were considered in their classes. The best colt, Rialto, by Rio Grande, and owned by H. C. Charlesworth, Bedford Park, is quite a fine sort of chestnut, with very good limbs and action. A good-looking brown son of Hermit, Aurelian, owned by C. W. Brereton, Bethany, took second place. No other awards were made in this section.

Two-year-olds were a fair lot of seven. A very fine chestnut with silver mane and tail, a fair goer, led the list. He was shown by M. Higgins, Toronto. The next colt, Victor, by Lee Christie, a Thoroughbred, and shown by J. B. Cowieson, Queensville, is a little model. He had no trouble in winning wherever shown as a yearling. Glenwood, by Thoroughbred Glendale, seemed a little fine for third place, but he may be a late colt. He is owned by G. T. Asling, Saintfield.

Yearlings were five strong. Most of them were a little plain and thin, but two or three very good ones were among them. The best one, a very good bay, Star, by Altoner, shown by A. Levack, Toronto, has a promising future with good management. He is nice, and goes well. The next, Wild Flower, by Wildbrino, is a fine little colt; in fact, he is handsome, and moves rapidly, but folds his toe too near the other leg when going to suit us. A Belmont Star colt won third prize.

Geldings or fillies three years old always turn out well at the Industrial, as do always the younger sections. Out of fourteen entries present in the three-year-olds, a very good half dozen could have been selected. A breezy filly, Nelly Sharp, by Henry Sharp, and shown by Robt. Wilson, Brampton, was considered best in the long line. She is nice, but appeared a little tied up in front as compared with some of the others. A mare that one could find very little fault with was Miss Dennison, by Dennison, and owned by W. W. Ward, Utica, was placed second. She should be fast with luck and proper handling. A well-grown and well-fitted gelding, George, by Munro Wilkes, and owned by P. Farrell, Woodstock, appeared to many as good enough for first place, but he got third, and no one seemed to complain. He will make a great roadster. The next three or four were good horses. Two-year-olds were even harder to judge than were the last section. There were twelve out, and nearly all good. Last year's sweepstakes roadster filly was among them, and got only third place on this occasion. She is Bella B, by Graham Bros.' Standard-bred Deacon. Her owner, H. G. Boag, Queensville, has brought her along well since last year. She is a right good one, and moves very smoothly. She was beaten by more rangy mares. The first, an exceedingly sweet chestnut, going just right, by Forest Membrino, is owned by Joseph Piper, Newmarket. A real trotter, with grand conformation, was placed second. She is J. J. & S. Kiscock's (Guthrie) Nelly K, by Hamilton. Her color is black, and her style is just what one would look for. The next three or four were not much behind the prize-winners as young roadsters. A dozen yearlings very hard to judge came into competition. Last year's winner in foals kept her place in this contest, as she deserved. She is J. B. Cowieson's Maid, by Lee Christie, a mare with very desirable size and conformation. Graham Bros.' Princess, by Deacon, a sweet mare with free action, was placed second, and third went to McClurg & Zivitz.

Brood mares were fewer in number than for some years, but the falling off was of the sort we don't want to breed. There were ten mares and foals this year, as against about twice that number in 1895. The best mares were of very desirable

size; in fact, some of the winners might almost have gone into the small carriage class. Graham Bros.' Mayflower, by General Keen, was the successful number, as was she also in the sweepstakes contest. She is very breezy, on grand limbs, and goes with speed and grace. Dent Dalton, of Delhi, showed Daisy Patchen, a graceful mare of a good type. She won second, and was followed by Geo. Jackson's (Cooksville) Victor, and J. B. Cowieson's Maud. Most of the mares had good foals, which made a strong competition and will insure a good lot of yearlings for 1897. Geo. Jackson's Tom, by Woodburn, won first, while Wm. Ewen's (Elora) get of Guelph Boy was placed second, and John McBride's Miss Altoner, by Altoner, took third. J. B. Cowieson's sister to the first prize yearling came fourth.

Roadsters in double harness, between 15.2 and 16 hands, were out eight strong. The best ones were good enough to sell for some \$800 to the President of the First National Bank, Little Falls, N. Y. They are well-mated, chestnut, full sisters, by Axland and out of Clara Brown. They were shown by J. C. Dietrich, Galt. The second pair were also chestnut, hardly as well mated as the first pair, but were good individuals and quite speedy. They were shown by F. E. Shaver, Islington, and sired by Toronto Chief and Belmont. The next pair showed a rapid clip. They are browns, much alike, got by Crown Imperial, and shown by J. F. Clark, Brampton.

Pairs 15.2 and under were all good movers. There were six of them, and they were mostly up to good size. Here the '96 Canadian Horse Show first prize winners were placed at the top after a deal of looking over. They were shown by C. A. Burns, Toronto. They, like the second prize pair shown by P. Irving, Woodstock, are long enough. The third prize pair, shown by J. C. Dietrich, Galt, were more compact, good movers, and nice.

Both sizes of single harness section were well filled, the smaller having some twenty entries, containing a large percentage of very good ones. It was after a deal of very careful looking over that seven of the best were drawn out. The larger ones had some fifteen out, also hard to judge.

#### CARRIAGE HORSES.

Carriage and Coach horses were all thrown together this year, which brought the big, good German Coachers into competition with the finer English horses. Among the younger sections the gets of Thoroughbreds did a deal of the prize-taking. The sections were not very largely filled, but each had a few good ones. They were judged by J. D. O'Neil, V. S., London, and Dr. Strange, Toronto.

Stallions four years old and upwards, 16 hands and over, were out seven strong. Such farm horses as some of them would make!—great strong, well-built, clean-limbed fellows, having action that would shame many representatives of the lighter classes. German Coachers carried off the three best premiums. Kaiser Wilhelm, shown by S. P. Thompson, Woodstock, was considered best in his section and for best male. He is such a breezy, fine fellow, which, together with his uniformity and action, makes him a safe one to breed to warm-blooded Carriage mares. Geo. Cockburn's Ludwig is in grand form this year. He is a big, well-made Coach horse, on short legs, quite a good mover and very handsome. He was placed second, followed by a massive black German shown by J. P. Fisher, Brussels. Joseph Manary, of Goring, was given fourth place on Prince Arthur, an English horse with a good deal to commend him as a sire.

Three-year-olds were shown by W. C. Brown, Meadowvale; Joseph Piper, Newmarket; and Dent Dalton, Delhi. They were a fair lot. The first winner, a chestnut, is quite a good colt. The exhibitors won in the mentioned order.

Two-year-olds and yearlings were not numerous, and of fair quality. In fact, just one two-year-old, a son of Regent, was out.

Geldings and fillies had about half-a-dozen in three-year-olds and two-year-olds, and three in yearlings. The first prize yearling was by Kaiser Wilhelm, and the first yearling by Windham.

Brood mares and foals were a fair lot. Each of the foal prize-winners were by Thoroughbred sires.

Single and double harness sections had a strong competition, most of them bang-tailed and able to show very handsome action.

The best mare any age was Bella Cord, a noble chestnut with white markings, got by General Cleveland by Clear Grit. She was shown by James MacQueen, Elora.

#### SADDLE HORSES.

were strong in many sections. The sections for Hunters of different sizes contained many magnificent horses, most of which resembled the Thoroughbred in conformation. They were mostly shown by dealers and city gentlemen.

#### CLYDESDALES.

Judges.—R. Ness, Howick, P. Q.; J. Y. Ormsby, Woodstock; and J. Warrilaw, Owen Sound.

In the ring for aged stallions, seven horses out of nine entries faced the judge; Mr. R. Davies' well-known Prince of Quality having been withdrawn, owing to an unfortunate accident. The center of attraction in this ring were the two grand horses, Grandeur, exhibited by Messrs. Sorby, and The Royal Standard, exhibited by Graham Bros. Grandeur has been so often described that we need not say more than that he was shown in excellent form; while The Royal Standard, who was the sweepstakes winner, as our readers will remember, at the Canadian Horse Show last spring, drew a