

smooth form throughout. Mr. Oke's red and white Ironclad, by imp. Eclipse, a thick-fleshed, blocky, well furnished bull, got second place, and Mr. Fairbairn's red Royal Albert, bred by Arthur Johnston, made a right good third. The yearling bulls were an extra good lot. There were four in competition, the first prize going by common consent to the rich roan Nonpareil Chief, shown by Messrs. Nicholson. He was bred by Mr. Johnston, sired by his imp. Cruickshank Victoria bull, Indian Chief, acknowledged to be one of the best bulls now in Canada, and proving an exceptionally true sire. This bull was one of the best cards in the show, and early made an impression upon the judges, which marked him as a candidate for higher honors later in the day. He is a young bull of fine character, with scale, flesh, finish, substance and style in high degree, a show bull in any company, and promising to do his breeder credit and his owners much good. The second prize in this class also went to a roan bull of Mr. Johnston's breeding. Messrs. Grier's Lowland Chief, a short-legged, smooth, level bull of fine quality. Messrs. Watt showed a red son of Prince Albert, named Village Hero, from imp. Village Blossom, the dam of the phenomenal young Abbottsburn, the conqueror of a continent, who is walking off with first honors and sweepstakes in the great circuit of Western State fairs this year as he did last year. We do not suppose that the fact of his having a big brother had any weight with the judges in making a decision between this bull and the rich red roan Roy Vincent, by imp. Mariner, shown by Messrs. Douglass & Son, of Strathroy, but we venture to say that if they made a mistake anywhere in their work it was in placing the red before the roan in this section. It is true the latter showed to some disadvantage in allowing his back to sag slightly, but he had a wealth of flesh and hair, and feeding qualities which ought to commend him to careful consideration, and from the comments of onlookers we judge the crowd would have placed him above the red bull. The class for bull calves was large and well filled, over twenty of them toeing the mark when called. They were an extra good lot and a hard ring to judge, but there was a clear first in Messrs. Russell's red Prince Royal, by imp. Windsor, out of imp. Roan Princess. He is an extraordinary youngster, was a powerful candidate for the sweepstakes, and promises to make one of the best show bulls the herd has produced in Canada for many years. The second place was given to Mr. Thomas Russell's roan Marryman, by Riverside Hero, by imp. Mariner. He is a calf of grand quality, with the best of hair, and is smoothly made. The third place was given to the red son of imp. Northern Light. Bright Light, shown by John Miller & Son, fourth to Mr. Nicholson, and fifth to Messrs. Watt.

The contest for sweepstakes lay between the first prize bulls in the foregoing sections. They were all good ones. The two-year-old, the yearling and the calf each had strong claims, but the judges finally agreed on Messrs. Nicholson's Nonpareil Chief as the champion, and he wears his honors worthily.

The aged cows were not as strong a lot as we have seen here in other days when Lady Jabel and Hovering Nonpareil, those sousie matrons of the Bow Park herd, held receptions in the same ring, but the Messrs. Watt showed a right good cow in Midland 3rd, a rich roan, four-year-old daughter of Challenge, out of imp. Mildred, by Gladstone, a cow of good size, true form and fine quality, with grand crops and brisket, and fine spring of ribs, and withal a show of udder that would do honor to a dairy cow of any breed. The two-year-old ring of heifers was noted for the presence of an extraordinary heifer in Mr. Robert Davies' Red Rose of Strathmore, bred by John Miller & Son, sired by imp. Vice Consul, and of a Strathallan cow, a family which has produced many markedly good things. She is a heifer of wonderful development and proportions—one of the big, good ones, which with a little more preparation would have been hard to get over in the sweepstakes competition. Messrs. Watt showed a magnificent yearling heifer, the roan Matchless 10th, by Perfection, a son of old Brampton Hero, which was an easy first in her

class and the favorite with many for the sweepstakes. She is as smooth as they are made, with the best quality and hair, plenty of substance, and a rare finish. She promised to be a show cow from the start, as she was the best heifer calf last year, taking first place by common consent then and now in her class; but the judges gave the sweepstakes to the matronly cow Mildred of the same herd, a decision which few would dare to question, though many had made up their minds that the yearling would get there. Perhaps the most interesting ring in the class was the heifer calves. There were twenty-five of them in competition, and it is safe to say there was not an inferior one in the lot—there was hardly a middling one among them. It was a hard place for the judges, and they had the sympathy of the crowd. To pick out the five best was a difficult task, and it would be strange if some mistakes were not made. After the second draft had been made, and the cards had been shuffled more than once it was found that first place was given to Messrs. Russell's deep, rich roan, Centennial Isabella 25th, by Stanley, a calf of wonderful substance and fine quality, the second going to Messrs. Watts' red Matchless calf, third to John Miller's beautiful red daughter of Northern Light, a model heifer in every way. The herd prize went to Messrs. Watt, second to Messrs. Russell. The prizes for best four calves went to the Russells first. Watts second, H. & W. Smith, of Hay, third, The Messrs. Smith showed a very nice lot of young things, and were successful in winning several prizes with their Village Blossoms, the family from which comes the invincible Abbottsburn, whose dam is in the herd. T. Douglass & Sons, of Strathroy, showed a capital lot of young things by imported Mariner, a Scotch bred bull which has proved an excellent sire. Their bull calves were especially fine, and the yearling red roan bull Roy Vincent is an extra good young bull, full of constitution and feeding qualities.

HEREFORDS.

Mr. Cochrane's herd was not in the show this time, and it was thought the class would not be strong, but the other breeders found themselves equal to the occasion by bringing out their cattle in better bloom than usual, and we do not remember to have seen a better all-round show of Herefords in many years. There were some extraordinary animals shown, and the whole class was decidedly strong. The principal herds represented were those of Messrs. Fleming, of Toronto; Judah, of Hillhurst, P.Q.; Smith, of Compton, P.Q.; Dawes & Co., of Lachine, and R. H. Pope, of Cookshire, among whom the prizes were divided. The ring for bulls over three years old was especially good, the first prize going to Mr. Smith's Young Tushingham, a massive bull of great size, length and depth, very full and complete in all his points. Mr. Fleming's bull, Wilton Hillhurst, a grandson of the great Cassio, stands on shorter legs and is more like the type of Cassio, the most successful Hereford bull that has ever been shown in Canada. Messrs. Dawes & Co. won first prize on their yearling bull, and Mr. Fleming got first and second on bull calves, Mr. Pope securing third prize. The cows, we thought, were not as strong as the heifers. The first prize was given to Mr. Fleming on his imported Lilly 6th, a cow of large size and good quality, with great constitution and weight, but a bit plain at the setting on of her tail, and a trifle short in her quarters. She was, however, awarded the silver medal as best female in the class, which stamps her a good one in a good class. The three-year-old cows were fine, and Mr. Fleming won first on his Lady Wilton, by Conqueror 2nd, Messrs. Dawes winning second prize on Rosebud, by Barrister. In yearling heifers Mr. Judah won first, and on heifer calves Mr. Fleming got first and third prizes. In the competition for herd prizes Mr. Fleming was very successful, winning first and second prizes, Mr. Smith's herd taking third place.

POLLED-ANGUS.

In this class Mr. Cochrane's fine herd of other years was missed, but there was a very good representation of the breed in the herds of Dr. Craik, of Lachine; R. H. Pope, M.P.; Dawes & Co., Wm. Stewart & Son, Lucas, Ont.; and Wm.

Nesbit & Son, of Colville. The first prize aged bull, Emlyn, shown by Dr. Craik, is a bull of great substance, good length and fine quality. Mr. Pope had a good second in the head of his herd, and Messrs. Nesbit got third prize on Pres. of Bli Bro. The cows were an excellent lot and Dr. Craik's Fairy, of Eastview, is a perfect model of the breed, long, low and level in form, with fine quality throughout. She won the silver medal for sweepstakes. Dawes & Co. had a right good second prize cow in Jeannie of Kinlochtry. The young things in this class were very fine, and Dr. Craik's first prize heifer calf was a perfect model. In the competition for herd prizes Dr. Craik won first place, Mr. Pope second, and Messrs. Stewart third.

GALLOWAYS.

The competition in this class was again between Mr. McCrae and Mr. Kough, both of whom have excellent herds, showing all the true characteristics of the breed. Mr. Kough's herd was in fine condition, and captured the majority of the prizes, but Mr. McCrae has a very useful herd, which, kept in the ordinary way, show fine quality and strong breeding, with all the best points well preserved. The ring for aged bulls was very good, and Mr. Kough's Claverhouse was placed first, Mr. McCrae's Stanley Second making a good second. Claverhouse was awarded the silver medal for best bull any age. The cows were a good ring, the first prize going to Mr. Kough's Countess of Glencairn and second and third to Mr. McCrae. The gem of the class was Mr. Kough's Countess of Glencairn, the first prize two-year-old heifer, to which was also awarded the sweepstakes silver medal for best female in the class. Mr. Kough's herd was placed first and Mr. McCrae's second.

DEVONS.

In this class Mr. Rudd had the field to himself, which is not so interesting as when there is competition; but Mr. Rudd has good cattle and keeps them in good shape. He had about fifteen head on exhibition, a very even lot, and creditable to their owner.

AYRSHIRES.

The exhibitors in the milking breeds have favored the appointment of a single expert judge in their classes, and their wishes have been met by the Association, but we judge from the feeling which prevailed amongst them in all the classes where an expert was employed that there is no less complaining, but rather more than under the old system of three judges. The Ayrshire class was full as usual, and the quality was quite up to the mark. There were 117 entries in the catalogue, and about a dozen exhibitors, making a grand display of this old standard dairy breed. The section for aged bulls was well filled by strong representative animals, Mr. McCormack's Campbell getting first place, Mr. Guy's Butterfly Duke coming in second, and Messrs. Morton's imp. Royal Chief third. We could not but think the latter bull was entitled to a higher place, as he is a very true type of the breed and shows strongly all the best points of a dairy bull, but he was in good company and there was room for difference of opinion. Mr. J. Yuill, of Carleton Place, had an excellent bull in his Baron Mansfield, and W. & J. C. Smith, of Fairfield Plains, showed a very handsome bull in Rob Roy of Oxford. In the ring for two-year-old bulls Kains Brothers, of Byron, were successful in winning first honors in his class, and also the silver medal for best bull of any age, with Prince of Byron, a model Ayrshire bull, handsome in form and finish, and carrying all the true characteristics of the breed in his outlines. In the ring for yearling bulls Mr. Guy captured the red ticket with his White Prince, the second prize going to the Messrs. Smith, of Fairfield Plains. Mr. Yuill got to the front in the bull calf section with the handsome young Birchall, a very promising calf, second prize going to Kains Bros., and third to Mr. Guy. The show of Ayrshire cows at Toronto is always strong, but it seemed to be better than usual this year, as a dozen finely furnished cows were ushered into the ring. It was a sight to do one's eyes good, those large udders, so shapely and yet capacious. It must have been a hard place for a judge to be placed in, and he needed