

ective classes. These are all animals of the very highest class, both in point of breeding and good quality, and would be worthy of place in any agricultural show in the world.

Mr. George Miller, of Markham, another of our principal importers and indeed one of the earliest, and to whom our farmers are largely indebted, was also an exhibitor in this class, as well as in a number of others. His Prince of Wales, which took the first prize at Hamilton as a two year old, is a beautiful animal, although this year he received places with Mr. White's "Milton," which took the first prize, having taken the second last year. Mr. Miller's two cows were successful in their classes as was also a very nice heifer calf belonging to his herd.

Mr. John Miller, of Brougham, was deservedly awarded the first prize for his yearling bull, and the second for his bull calf, both of them, the yearling especially, being animals of first rate quality.

One of the finest animals upon the ground, perhaps of a style that is now considered somewhat out of date, was the three year old bull lately alluded to, belonging to Mr. James White, of Bronte, County of Halton, which took the first prize in his class. Mr. White took the first prize for a fat ox, a short grade, a monster weighing 27 cwt. as good a noble animal of his kind, and one we will cut up well at Christmas, for the profit, we trust, of our St. Lawrence market.

Mr. J. Snell, of Edmonton, Chingnacousy, had a good two year old bull, the first prize calf, and some nice heifers, all well bred of good quality.

Among the cows of this class, one of the most remarkable, though by no means the best, was one shown by Capt. Shore, of St. Thomas; the width of this creature, across the hips was something marvellous, her size altogether was uncommon, even for a Durham, still she was too coarse for the eye of a breeder, although the judges did not object next to Mr. Stone's Desdemona.

Two cows shown by Mr. Welford, of the same stock, displayed excellent breeding, and of them, in our opinion, was deserving of a better place than she obtained. They were very large, but had all the points of the breed in perfection.

Of the gentleman whose name we are now about to mention we perhaps owe an apology, for not having spoken sooner of the valuable contribution which he has made to our thorough-

bred stock. We allude to Mr G. H. Phillips of Prescott, whose recent importation of Shorthorns from Ireland, the first that have come from that portion of the empire, is one of the events of the year. Two of Mr Phillips' cows are really very fine and his whole herd is of superior quality. Among other exhibitors in this class we may mention A. Hogge, of Guelph, G. Black, of St. Mary's, J. Anderson, of Guelph, John Iles, Guelph, and G. Robson, of London.

It was not till Wednesday morning that the prizes in this class were decided, and in some of the classes the contest was very keen. This was especially the case in that for the diploma for the best bull of any age. Several animals were sent into the ring, but all were soon dismissed except Mr. Stone's "Grand Duke," Mr. Miller's "Prince Albert," and Mr. White's "Milton." The Judges were evidently much divided, and it was some time before they came to a conclusion. It was indeed no very easy task, as the three animals were very perfect, though somewhat differing in style. At last, however, the decision was made in favour of "Grand Duke."

For the herd here were only three entries, Mr. Stone's, Mr. Miller's, and Mr. Phillips'. But Grand Duke, Desdemona, and the prize heifers, formed a combination perfectly irresistible, and no difficulty was made in adjudging the prize in their favour.

DEVONS.—Next to the Durhams, in general value and importance, though at this show exceeding them in number, come the Devons. Of this breed we reckoned over ninety head.

W. H. Locke, of Yarmouth, is well known as the principal exhibitor of this breed, and, being so near at home, he was able to display his herd to the best possible advantage.

His entries numbered some forty, including two very fine bulls, and an infinite series of females, from the great-great-grand-dam of the herd down to calves of a tender age. Mr. Locke very wisely eschews pens and sheds, and his cattle, standing together in some conspicuous part of the ground, make a sight of never ceasing attraction.

Next to Mr. Locke, his neighbour, Mr. Pincombe, a name hitherto unknown in our prize list, deserves to be mentioned. Mr. Pincombe made his *debut* with no less than thirty head, chiefly bred from stock purchased from Mr. Locke. In Mr. Pincombe's hands they certainly have not degenerated. A heifer calf of his is the finest animal of the