

thfrds. The other exhibitors in this class were W. M. Smith, Scotland, Ont.; R. S. Preston, Pilot Mound; D. Fraser & Sons, Emerson, and Ed. Brown, Boissevain.

The Chester awards were gathered in by A. E. Thompson, Wakopa, Man., who had little competition.

W. L. Trann and W. M. Smith again came into competition in the Poland China class. Both showed about as fine a lot of hogs as one could wish for. Eight firsts and one second fell to Trann; while Smith secured four firsts and five seconds.

The Durce-Jerseys were all owned by W. M. Smith, who had entries in every class, and secured all prizes offered.

Yorkshires were next to Tamworths the best lot on exhibition.

The sweepstakes year-old boar shown by Andrew Graham of Pomeroy, Man., was as fine a hog as ever entered the pens here; the same is almost as true in regard to the sweepstakes sow. There were also some very fine young animals, especially in the one-year-old class. There were more competitors in Yorkshires than any other breed. Andrew Graham, Pomeroy, Man., won 10 firsts, 2 seconds, 2 thirds and 1 fourth; W. Hardy, Roland, 2 firsts, 2 seconds, 2 thirds and 4 fourths; W. H. Mortson, Beausejour, 2 firsts, 2 seconds and 2 fourths; A. B. Potter, Montgomery, Assa, 3 seconds and 3 thirds; Rigby & Johnstone, Headingly, 1 first, 2 seconds and 2 thirds; G. J. Thompson & Sons, Headingly, 1 first.

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## Big Shorthorn Sale at Hamilton

Good Average Prices—Sir Wm. Van Horne a Buyer

The sale of the Hillhurst Shorthorns, the property of Hon. H. M. Cochrane, Que., at the Hamilton Stock Pavilion on Tuesday last was very successful considering the time of the year and the fact that the demand for Shorthorns has not been as brisk for a few months back as formerly. However, the spirited bidding and the prices paid would seem to indicate that the market for Shorthorns, especially in Canada, is active and reassuring. While several American buyers were present they were not as active bidders as they have proved at former sales. The failure of two prominent American Shorthorn breeders recently, through buying more than they could handle, at too high prices, has dampened somewhat, for the time being at least, the ardor of our American friends. The presence of Sir Wm. Van Horne, who is stocking his farm at Selkirk, Man., with high-class Shorthorns, added greatly to the interest and importance of the sale. Sir Wm., through his herdman, Mr. James Yuill, purchased several choice animals at good figures, among them being Lester's Pride (Imp.), for \$800. This heifer was bought by Mr. Cochrane at the Edwards-Dryden combination sale last June for \$500. She has now a fine calf at her heels, which added very much to her value, the two being sold together. The sale-topper was Lord Mountstephen (Imp.), sold to E. H. McCutcheon, Holstein, Iowa, for \$1,000. He is a fine two-year-old, red in color, and bred at Collynie. He is of the celebrated Missie family, now so popular on both sides of the Atlantic. Considerable interest centred around the stock bull, Joy of Morning. He has been at Hillhurst for four years, having been imported by Mr. Cochrane as a calf in 1899. He is also Collynie bred, of immense size and dark roan color, a noted stock getter,

and a bull that has made a reputation for the Hillhurst herd. He was the highest-priced bull imported to America up to 1899, having cost, we understand, \$2,000. He was offered for sale under disadvantages. He was in too good condition and was carrying about 400 lbs. more flesh than he should. Besides he had not been tuberculin tested, which shut one or two Americans out, who had come to the sale on purpose to buy him. He sold for \$375 to Mr. Geo. D. Fletcher, Binkham, Ont. He weighs about 2,800 lbs. and though a little patchy and heavy, is capable under proper management, of several years of usefulness.

Mr. James H. Cochrane, who managed the sale, is to be congratulated upon its successful outcome. He is also to be commended for his frank way of giving information about the different animals offered. The Bang system is followed at Hillhurst in reference to tuberculosis, all reacting animals being separated and their progeny raised on clean and healthy cows. Several of the animals offered had reacted and bore the Government ear mark. This did not appear to depreciate their value very much in the sale ring, as bidding was just as active and the prices averaged as high as for many of the others sold. Of course it is hard to say what they would have gone for had they not borne the Government mark. This is the first time cattle so marked have been offered at public sale. The ear mark will perhaps lessen the value of the animal wearing it from \$50 to \$100, depending largely upon the intrinsic value of the animal to begin with. Animals so marked are shut out of the American market.

The auctioneers were Capt. T. E. Robson, Ilberton; Thos. Ingram, Guelph, and George Jackson, Port Perry, who disposed of the 57 sold

in an energetic and businesslike way, getting all to be had from the crowd for each animal offered. The imported stuff, in order to pay well, should have brought more money, but considering everything prices were satisfactory.

The following is a list of the principal animals sold, with the purchaser and price paid: (A.H.B.) means registered in the American Herd Book.

(Imp.) Vain Belle 2nd—\$4194 (A.H.B.), calving January 29, 1894; D. McIntyre, Paisley, Ont., \$185.  
Joy Bell (Vol. 20) (A.H.B.), July 2, 1902; Jos. White, St. Mary's, Ont., \$330.

(Imp.) Fancy Lady—\$4184 (Vol. 46, p. 638E.) (A.H.B.); March 6, 1899; Chas. E. Porter, Appleton, Ont., \$375.

(Imp.) Butterfly 49th—\$4176 (A.H.B.), Feb. 20, 1899; J. & E. Chinnock, Chatham, Ont., \$450.  
(Imp.) Rosemary 10th—\$4191 (A.H.B.), March 4, 1899; Ed. Bryan, Ridgetown, Ont., \$330.

Rosemary 2nd of Hillhurst, Vol. 20, Feb. 9, 1903; Jos. White, \$260.

(Imp.) Crabtree Beauty 7th—\$4181 (A.H.B. Feb. 22, 1898; Jno. Hill, Wellesley, Ont., \$250.

(Imp.) Rose Bloom and calf (Vol. 19), April 15, 1898; W. L. Horton, North Pelham, Ont., \$335.

(Imp.) Heather Bloom (Vol. 20), Feb. 27, 1902; Sir William Van Horne, Selkirk, Man., \$500.

(Imp.) Flower Princess (Vol. 19) and calf, Dec. 8, 1899; W. H. Taylor, M.P.P., Parkhill, Ont., \$300.

(Imp.) Village Beauty (Vol. 19), March 9, 1901; W. A. Galbraith, Dutton, Ont., \$200.

(Imp.) Helena (Vol. 19), Jan. 9, 1900; R. Mitchell, Coldstream, Ont., \$240.

(Imp.) Mayflower 3rd (Vol. 19), March 30, 1901; R. Wilkin, Harrison, Ont., \$200.

(Imp.) Annie 5th (Vol. 19), Oct. 22, 1899; Sir Wm. Van Horne, \$300.

(Imp.) Annie 6th and calf (Vol. 19), Nov. 2, 1900; Amos Smith, Trowbridge, Ont., \$375.

(Imp.) Augusta 33rd (Vol. 19), March 31, 1901; A. Garland, Howell, Mich., \$300.

(Imp.) Madge 2nd and calf (Vol. 19), Dec. 31, 1900; Jno. Watson, Seagrave, Ont., \$340.

(Imp.) Doris 3rd (Vol. 19), March 16, 1901, and calf Lady Mountstephen, June 5, 1903; Jno. Hill, \$230.

(Imp.) Listas Pride (Vol. 20) and calf, April 13, 1901; Sir Wm. Van Horne, \$800.

(Imp.) Belladonna 2nd (Vol. 19), June 7, 1900; W. D. Platt, Hamilton, \$395.

(Imp.) Bella Hillhurst (Vol. 19); March 15, 1902; Thos. Hargraves, Markham, Ont., \$185.

(Imp.) Rosemary 12th (Vol. 19), Feb. 24, 1898; Malcolm McDougall, Tiverton, Ont., \$360.

(Imp.) Rosemary 13th (Vol. 19), Jan. 23, 1902; J. T. Gibson, Denfield, Ont., \$260.

(Imp.) Sira 3rd (Vol. 19), May 9, 1900; W. L. Horton, \$265.

(Imp.) Queen of Renan (Vol. 19), April 13, 1901; J. C. Littlejohn, Highgate, Ont., \$300.

(Imp.) Scottish Maid (Vol. 20), Feb. 27, 1901; D. McMillan Hillsburg, Ont., \$415.

(Imp.) Camella Blossom (Vol. 19), March 16, 1901; Jno. McFarlane, Dutton, Ont., \$260.

(Imp.) Jessamine 10th (Vol. 19), Dec. 23, 1901; James Brown, Thorold, Ont., \$270.

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