

field and a high actor as well. Third place was given to Hillhurst Sensation, though his placing was not altogether to the mind of the talent, a number of whom seemed to consider the Hassard string highly useful. Shanty Lord getting only fourth place. The three-year-old class turned up another string of nine, headed by another mover of the Hassard string, in J. B. Hogate's Thornton Royalty, who, without a great deal else to recommend him, showed a way of going that reminded one of the dark brown horse that is making the Waverly stables famous. Second place went to income, owned by W. C. Quickfall, of Glenail; third to Norfolk Performer, D. Dalton, Delhi, and fourth to R. Beith of Bowmanville, for his young imported chestnut Ivanhoe. K. Beith won the first in two-year-olds with his St. Louis junior champion St. David, and second with a good, big, handsome one, Terrigton Bellerophon. Third went to J. B. Hogate. First and second in year-olds went to the Beith string also, and third to a son of old Square Shot, owned by A. G. H. Luxton, of Milton. This exhibitor also won second in three-year fillies, first again going to the Beith string for his handsome chestnut mare, Smylett Duchess. First and second again went to this exhibitor for yearlings. Crossley, of Rossau, won first for brood mare, and again first for foal of 1904, this being a foal by Beith's stallion Saxon. The filly is a good one and shows the same high, true action as its sire, a foal that Saxon will one day be as celebrated as a sire as he now is as a show horse. The championships in stallions was contested by Saxon and Hogate's Thornton Royalty, and the action of both horses as they showed their paces was an interesting sight. The Beith string captured both trophies, Saxon being victorious in his prowess in the stallions and the handsome chestnut mare Priscilla capturing the championship for females.

#### ROADSTERS

There was a long string of entries in the roadster classes, and most of them were good ones, too. First in aged stallions was won by Ren Wilks, owned by A. C. McMillan, of Erin West. This one also won the championship. A splendid pair came out in the three-year-olds, Lucky Strike, owned by J. Rogers, and Wildbrino King, owned by J. L. Clark, of Norval. This latter horse is a very stylish fellow and a good mover. In the two-year-olds there was a good turnout and the first prize went to a nicely turned and fine going bay, Mikado ist. A colt by Furioso, bred by I. Natrass, Millbrook, came second, and third place was taken by Wilks' McKinley, owned by J. McKenzie, of Presque Isle. This one is nicely turned and sweet, a fine mover and breezy looking. He was champion in the yearling class in 1903. There were quite a number of contestants for the championship and the judges were a long time in deciding. Three-year fillies was a tight class, first went to C. Stein's mare, Miss McCrowen; second to F. Shaver, Islington, and third to G. F. Smith, of Guelph, with a mare by Lorraine. It was the class for two-year-olds that held the winner for the championships and this was perhaps the strongest class that came out. The winner was a fine going little bay mare, owned by Fuller Bros., of Norval, and sired by the good show and breeding horse Golden Jubilee. Second to this mare came the one that held the championship last year. Miss McMillan, owned by John McKenzie, of Presque Isle, Ont. Third place was taken by a nice chestnut owned by J. D. McKib-

bon, Milton, Ont. The first class for brood mares brought out a mixed-looking lot, but there was an outstanding winner in the string. Nellie Gold Leaf, owned by M. E. Mitchell, of Brampton, Ont. She is a mare of wonderful show quality. Her colt also won first in the 1904 class.

#### STANDARD BRED

Classes were not very well filled. An interesting feature was the judging of the aged stallions in harness, and their speeding round the ring. First went to the well known Oro Wilks, owned by The Ison, owned by W. H. Riddell, and third to Golden Jubilee, owned by Armstrong & Cheyne, Brampton. Two-year-olds were shown by Miss Wilks, Galt, and Stanley Isaac, Paisley, and placed respectively. The champion mare was owned by Paterson Bros. of East Toronto Viola E., sired by Diplomat and dam by Caledonia Chief.

#### CARRIAGE AND COACH

There was a fair number of entries in these classes, and the number of fine individuals. J. L. Reid, of Derry West, had a number of fine ones of his own breeding well to the front. T. H. Hassard, Millbrook, had a good imported coach horse that deserved better than third place in the aged class. R. Ness & Sons had also a good one in the three-year-olds. There were a large number of exhibitors of mares in this class.

#### SHORTHORN CATTLE

How are we to find adequate language to describe a display of Short-horn cattle as passing an exhibition of this grand old breed at this the very centre of the most famous breeding ground of the red, white and roans, on this continent?

The necessarily limited space at our disposal absolutely prohibits an attempt even at conveying to our readers, by individual description, the battles that were fought in the little crowded paddock on this memorable occasion. For two long days the classes, one after another, filed in before the judges, Messrs. Robt. Millar and John T. Gibson, who worked with the utmost diligence and painstaking care over every class drawn up before them. Only twice or thrice was the official referee, Mr. Thos. Russell, called to adjudicate where they had failed to agree. Nevertheless, there were now and then cases where the policy of give-and-take between the two judges was apparent, again confirming our preference for the single judge system.

The Dominion Shorthorn Breeders' Association had supplemented the very liberal prize list by a grant of \$5,000, thus creating prizes well worth striving for, but we venture to say most of the contestants, once the battle was called, lost sight for the moment of the dollar and cent side of the question in the glory of winning (or trying to), such was the keenness of the competition. In addition to the many familiar exhibitors whose names were catalogued in this year's list, there were a number of newer ones and by way of returning the compliment paid to the Western breeders, by the visit of several breeders from Eastern Canada to the Dominion Fair at Winnipeg, the Van Horne herd had come down from East Selkirk, Manitoba. From the United States had come a show herd of no less fame than that of J. F. Robbins & Sons, of Indiana, and these outside herds added immensely to the interest of the exhibit. The prize list had been very greatly improved by the elimination of the class for bulls 4 years old and over, consequently all bulls over three years were shown together and the animals presented

were a much fresher lot than usual under the old classification. Seven bulls lined up when the class was called, five of which were imported, viz., Prince Sunbeam, from Sir William Van Horne's herd, Lord Chesterfield, from J. G. Robbins & Sons, of Indiana; W. B. Watts' Sons' Volasco 40th, and Jas. I. Davidson's Missie's Prince. Mr. Millar, not having received a referee Russell was asked to act, with Mr. Gibson, and the fun began. The Robbins' bull, Lord C'sterfield, had been doing a successful stunt down the circuit of the great American fairs, and the "talent" were all expectation as to his chances here. He was bred by Thos. Redmond, of Millbrook, Ont., by Sailor Champion, out of a Matchless dam. The Van Horne bull, imported, Prince Sunbeam, bred by Robt. Bruce, by Prince of Archers, had only recently been purchased from Mr. Platt, of London, and gone abroad that since his appearance in the ring a year ago, he had developed wonderfully. The Watts had in the Nicholson-bred White Volasco, both a great, massive bull, that many thought would prove a winner. It was soon apparent that it was a fight between the two roans, Prince Sunbeam and Lord Chesterfield, both of the thick, blocky type, and both brought out in the pink of condition. The white Volasco, not conforming quite so closely to the type now winning, dropped into third place, with the Dutrie-bred Village Champion, from the Rockland herd, in fourth position. After a lengthy consultation the judges failed to agree on the first two, and so great roans, and the ring was finally dispersed to be brought back later before Mr. Millar as referee, and his ruling sent the favored red to third to the imported, but Prince Sunbeam. He is, perhaps, a little thicker all through, a bit better packed along the back, and with somewhat fuller crops, but his rival surpasses him in length and liveliness and hind quarter. Fifteen 2-year-old bulls lined up before Messrs. Gibson and Millar and a grand lot they were. Harry Smith's Gold Drop, a thick, blocky red, bred by Cargills, was picked for first; G. H. Oak's Invincible for second, and R. Gibson's imp. Gay Lothario third, with John Gardhouse & Sons' imp. Scottish Prince in fourth place. This rating did not meet with very general favor from the ring side talent, many considering that the Gardhouse bull should have gone higher, at least into second place.

There were nine senior yearlings out, Hon John Dryden & Son's thick, low-set, level, red Clipper Prince made a strong first. Goodfellows coming next with Remus, followed by Russell's Breastplate, Robson's White Hall Ramsden, and Elliott's Wanderer's Star.

Again there were nine entries forward in the junior yearling class, the most uniform lot thus far presented. The red ticket again went to Dryden's entry for another son of Prince Gloster, Edgar Prince, a deep, thick-fleshed one of the sort that's wanted. A good second was found in the showy roan, son of Lord Chesterfield, Admiral, a quarter shown in capital form by Capt. Robson. Third went to the Van Horne entry, Vain Baron, one of the best backed bulls in the bunch. He was bred by Thos. Redmond, and went to the imported roan Old Lancaster, shown by Amos, and fifth to Royal Star, bred and owned by John Watt.