

offered by the Dominion Shorthorn Association for best bull and four females under two years of age was won by J. & W. B. Watt, who showed a very superior collection, headed by Royal Standard, the 1st prize bull calf. The prize for the best four calves under one year, bred and owned by exhibitor, was won by Harry Smith, with a very even lot, sired by Abbotsford, showing much quality and good breeding.

HEREFORDS

were judged by G. de W. Green, Toronto, and Albin Rawlings, Forest. They were not out in large numbers, but the quality and the condition of the animals shown was quite up to a high standard. The herds represented were those of H. D. Smith, "Ingleside," Compton, Que., and Alfred Stone, and the F. W. Stone Estate, Guelph. Mr. Smith's cattle were brought out in splendid condition, as usual, showing freshness and bloom, without being overdone. The other herds were also in excellent condition, though not so highly finished, and made a very creditable display. Mr. Smith's Amos of Ingleside, as usual, was given the premier place in the section for bulls over three years. He is a big, useful bull, full of quality, and carries his great weight lightly on strong, straight legs, and is active and fresh looking. The Stone Estate came in for 2nd with Grandeur, and A. Stone 3rd, with Feudor. Ingleside had no entry in two-year-old bulls, and the Stone Estate won 1st and 2nd. In the section for bulls one year old, Mr. Smith's newly imported bull, Mark Hanna, by Eureka, dam Miss Lark, scored 1st over Alfred Stone's College Chief, the fine young bull bred at the O. A. C., which won 1st here as a calf last year, and which here had to take 2nd place. Mark Hanna is a typical Hereford of the modern type, being low-set, thick-fleshed, level, and full in all points, showing strong breed character and much quality of flesh and finish. He should do good service in the herd as successor to Amos, Sir Horace and the other excellent sires which have preceded him. The Stone Estate won 1st and 2nd with bull calves of good quality, Ingleside taking 3rd place. Ingleside pitted dam and daughter against each other in the section for cows over four years. It was a close contest and gave the judges considerable perplexity in arriving at a decision, but the 1st place was finally conceded to Spot 3rd, the mother, who has held her own famously as a show cow and a breeder, while Sylvan 3rd, her daughter, by Pinkham of Ingleside, is of the same smooth, even type, and full of good flesh.

In three-year-old cows, Jessie of Ingleside won 1st over imp. Duxmoor, of the same herd, who was given 2nd place. Both are good ones, showing strong breed character, and standing on short legs, having smoothly turned conformation and good handling quality. The Compton herd scored 1st and 2nd in two-year-old heifers, with the two imported heifers, Lady Rupert and Chatterbox, in the order named; the Stone Estate coming 3rd with Graceful 93rd. In yearling heifers, Ingleside scored 1st with Sylvan 7th, by Sir Horace, and 3rd with Rosa 2nd, the Stone Estate winning 2nd with Iona 3rd. The 1st prize for heifer calf went to the Guelph herd, and 2nd to Ingleside.

Mr. Smith got away with the 1st and 2nd prizes for herd of one bull and four females, the 1st prize herd being headed by Amos and the 2nd by Mark Hanna. Amos of Ingleside captured the championship for best bull of the breed, and Spot 3rd, of the same herd, the female championship. It is a way they have, thanks to individual merit, based on inheritance, and to the skillful care and preparation given them by Norton, the careful and capable herdsman.

POLLED ANGUS

were judged by James Smith, Brantford, and Wm. McCrae, Guelph. The exhibitors were James Bowman, Guelph; Walter Hall, Washington; Wm. Stewart & Son, Lucasville, and James Sharp, Rockside. The cattle were in fair condition, and many meritorious animals were shown, especially in the younger sections, but the men who are handling them will need to show more enterprise if they would keep up with the precession in these times of progression. The present is a critical juncture with Canadian beef cattle interests, especially if our export trade is to take the position that it should. The "doddies," as they have splendidly done in Britain and the States, should share in the advance and in the honor. In the section for bulls over three years, Bowman scored with Kyma's Heir, a typical bull of the breed, with correct outlines, well filled in all parts, and having excellent quality of flesh and handling. Hall had a strong competitor in Lucretius, the hero of many a well-fought field in past years, but beginning to show the effect of years and training for the ring. Stewart won 3rd with Oxford King. Hall had the section for yearling bulls to himself, and got 1st prize on Rapid's Prince. Bull calves made a good show, Bowman scoring 1st and 3rd and Hall 2nd. In cows over four years, Bowman won 1st on Kyma of Tweedhill, and Hall 2nd and 3rd. In three-year-old cows, Hall got into 1st place with Newton's Favorite, Stewart 2nd with Lady Bate of Metcalfe, and Bowman 3rd with his No. 1. Two-year old heifers were headed by Stewart & Son winning 1st, and Bowman 2nd and 3rd. In yearling heifers, Hall was 1st with Belle Favorite and 2nd with Forest Bate, Bowman winning 3rd with Kyma 6th. Hall won 1st with heifer calf, and Bowman 2nd and 3rd. The sweepstakes silver medal for best bull, any age, went to Bowman's Kyma's Heir, the herd prize to Bowman, and the sweepstakes for best female to Hall.

GALLOWAYS

were judged by James Smith and Wm. McCrae. The exhibitors were: D. McCrae, Guelph; John Sibbald, Annan; A. M. & R. Shaw, Brantford; and T. Loyd-Jones, Burford. The class was well filled with typical animals of the breed, as a rule, there being a few exceptions, one of which was the bull awarded 1st prize in section for bulls over four years, shown by Mr. Sibbald, which has neither Galloway breed character nor beef conformation. He has the head and hair of a Polled Angus, and the shoulder of a dairy bull, has the appearance of a slow feeder, and should not have had higher than 3rd prize, the lowest on the list. Mr. McCrae's Canadian Borderer is a typical Galloway bull, with the

right type of head, quality of skin and hair, long, level quarters and short legs; yet he was given 3rd place. Mr. Shaw's McCartney is a big, good bull, showing strong constitution and good feeding qualities, yet he was given 2nd place to a nondescript. In two-year-old bulls 1st place was given to McCrae's Alpha S., by Ottawa, a bull of very moderate merit, and 2nd to Sibbald's Scottie, scoring below mediocrity. The section for yearling bulls was headed by Colleague Gambler, a worthy representative of the breed; bred at the Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph, and shown by T. Loyd-Jones & Son, Burford. He has a model Galloway head, a long, level and even form, a capital coat of hair, a good disposition, a thrifty appearance, and worthily won 1st prize in his class, and also the male championship of the breed. We welcome new blood and individual merit in this class, as well as the spirit of enterprise. There is room for both, and we are pleased with the promise. D. McCrae's Denmark was given 2nd prize, and is a useful young bull. There were four bull calves shown, two of which were well up to the standard of good representatives of the breed, but these were placed 2nd and 3rd, the 1st being given to a short-ribbed, weak-waisted, wee calf, lacking in the indications of constitution, a ruling in harmony with most of those given in the class; the 1st and 3rd awards going to Col. McCrae's entries, and 2nd to Shaw's Lockinvar. In the section for cows over four years, Sibbald's Countess of Glencairn 3rd worthily won 1st honors, followed by the same exhibitor's Margery for 2nd, and Shaw's Rheta McErin for 3rd. McCrae's Adela won 1st in three-year-old section, Sibbald's Lucille 2nd, and McCrae's College Bright Eyes 3rd. In heifers two years old, McCrae's Semaramis, a charming heifer, scored 1st; Shaw's Maud 2nd, and McCrae's Duchess Louise 3rd. McCrae's Adela of Erin, a beautiful heifer with a grand coat of hair and full character, won 1st, Loyd-Jones & Son's Blanche of the Oaks making a good 2nd, and Shaw's Irena 3rd. The judges were a tie on the question of the award of the sweepstakes for best female, and Mr. Robert Miller, who was chosen as umpire, gave the casting vote in favor of Col. McCrae's 1st prize two-year-old heifer Semaramis. The herd prizes were awarded in the following order: 1, McCrae; 2, Sibbald; 3, Shaw.

DEVONS.

W. J. Rudd, Eden Mills, Ont., had this class to himself, there being no other exhibitor out this year. He showed some good specimens of the breed, but sadly needs the stimulus of competition to attract attention to a class of cattle which in England has many enthusiastic admirers and which might well fill a larger place in this country.

JERSEYS

were judged by Geo. V. Green, Hopkinsville, Ky., and Prof. G. E. Day, Guelph. The class was the largest but one in the exhibition of cattle, there being 122 entries catalogued, and these owned by 16 exhibitors. In no class has so much improvement been made in the last five years. Last year the wealthy firm of Miller & Sibbey, Franklin, Pa., invaded the leading shows of Canada with an invincible expedition of Jerseys and carried off the lion's share of the prizes, although the champion female was owned by a Canadian and the champion bull was bred in Canada, though shown by our visitors. In our report of last year's show we counselled Canadian breeders to profit by their experience and to prepare to meet "our friends the enemy" if they should presume to repeat the excursion, which they did with commendable courage and with a very much stronger contingent than they brought over last year, but they met a force that must have surprised them, a force which we understand Manager Norton acknowledged to be the strongest he has ever met on any show ground in his long and varied experience, and no one is better qualified to give an opinion as to the comparative merits of this class of stock.

Shortly after last year's show Mr. W. E. H. Massey, of Toronto, commissioned a first-class judge to proceed to the Island of Jersey, the home of the breed, to make selections of the best that could be bought, and a dozen ideal animals were imported which proved to be equal to the occasion, winning the much-coveted herd prize for the best bull and four females, which was the first award made at the opening of the competition and which augured well for the success of the following sections in which Canadian exhibitors bravely held their own, winning the championship prizes for best male and also for best female, though the American herd put up a strong show in nearly every section and won more first prizes than any other single exhibitor.

Among the other exhibitors who found a place in the prize list were Robert Davies, Toronto, who showed a capital herd of imported Island-bred animals and won a number of important prizes; B. H. Bull & Sons, Brampton, who had the honor of winning the championship for best bull any age; E. N. Fleming, Toronto, who won the female championship for the second time; J. H. Smith & Son, Highfield; R. B. Smith, Arkona; D. G. Hamner & Sons, Burford; I. M. McKay, Elmbank; S. Wicks & Son, Mt. Dennis; and others who showed single animals.

In the section for bulls over three years, five excellent entries competed, including Miller & Sibbey's famous Ida's Champion Rieter, son of the great Ida's Rieter of St. Lambert, and grandson of Ida of St. Lambert, whose record is among the best of the breed. Ida's Champion Rieter made a fine record as a show bull in his first year, winning the male championship at Madison Square Garden, New York, and at several State fairs in the hands of his present owners, who sold him at one year old and bought him back a few months ago, he not having been shown in the interval. He has developed into a magnificent animal, showing ideal dairy conformation, strong constitution and rich quality, and most of the breeders around the ring had conceded him the first place without a struggle, but the judges who alone were responsible for the decision, for what reason we know not, consigned him to second place, giving premier honors to Mr. R. B. Smith's Belvoir's King, bred by Richard Gibson, a grandson of Belvoir's Pet, a 1st prize and sweepstakes cow at Toronto a few years ago. He is a strong, lusty bull, carrying a lot of flesh and having many good qualities, though not exceptionally strong in any of the

indications of excellence from a dairyman's standpoint, though he has many admirers who think he had not fared as well as he deserved in former contests. Mr. Robert Davies showed the imported bull, Distinction's Golden, by the famous Golden Lad, a bull of grand constitution and fine quality, and if that was what the judges were looking for, one could not but wonder that they did not tie to him, for if he has a fault it is the same as the 1st prize bull has, that he is somewhat heavy in his shoulders and carrying too much flesh; but who would not rather breed to him than to the other? Jack of Meadow View, a bull of fine dairy character and quality, shown by J. H. Smith & Son, was awarded 3rd prize without protest.

There were five bulls entered in the ring for two-year-olds, and a right good lot they were. The contest for 1st place lay between Massey's imported Lord of Dentonia and Hamner's Stoke Pogis. The imported bull is young for his class, but has exquisite style and quality, and is rich in his secretions, but he found a lusty rival in Hamner's bull, which has grand constitution, great depth of ribs, fine shoulders and large rudimentaries well placed. The imported bull was finally approved by the judges as worthy of 1st place; B. H. Bull's Peel's Bonanza, by Yankee's Pogis, winning 3rd, and R. Gibson's Pedro of Snelgrove 4th prize.

Ten yearling bulls were entered, and were an exceedingly good lot. The fight in this case lay between B. H. Bull & Son's imp. Monarch of Brampton, son of the imported cow; Manor Lass 2nd, sweepstakes female at Toronto last year and this, and Miller & Sibbey's Koswin of St. Lambert, a bull of strong constitution, fine dairy conformation and rich quality, one that is rarely equalled and would stand high in first-class company anywhere, and by many had been booked for 1st place here, but the judges, after very careful and protracted examination and consultation, gave the place of honor to the imported bull, who is apparently many months younger, and has much to recommend him for the position, having ideal dairy conformation, a handsome head, fine neck, deep ribs, fine wethers, long, straight quarters, thin thighs, and good handling qualities, and such a mother before him! J. H. Smith & Son's Prince Highfield, which came into 3rd place, is very nearly equal to either of those placed above him in all that goes to make up a model dairy bull. He has lots of constitution, fine form and quality, and is rich in promise. Mr. McKay won the 4th award with Exile of Elmbank, a beautiful grandson of the famous Exile of St. Lambert, who has more tested daughters in the list than any other bull of the breed.

A ring of seventeen bull calves, most of them of a high order of merit, made it interesting to the judges. Miller & Sibbey showed 2, Bull & Son 3, McKay 2, Massey 2, and Smith & Son 3. The 1st and 2nd prizes were finally awarded to Miller & Sibbey's entries, the 1st going to Counsellor of Prospect, a calf of very fine pattern; the 2nd to Aaron Pogis, of a very different type, rich in the quality of his skin and hair, but with head and neck after the Brown Swiss pattern. Massey's Bern of Dentonia was given 3rd place, and McKay's Captain of Elmbank, by Kaiser Fritz, a calf of fine character and conformation, 4th. He might well have stood 2nd, while Bull & Son's entries might well have had a place in the prize list.

The Sweepstakes.—The call for the sweepstakes contest brought out the 1st prize bulls in each section, but the contest was evidently between Massey's imp. two-year-old Lord of Dentonia and Bull & Son's Monarch of Brampton. They are of different types, though both imported from the Island, the two-year-old being stronger in the indications of constitution and richer in the color of his skin, while the younger bull has more correct dairy conformation and a finer neck, and the judges placed the badge of honor on the Brampton bull, a consummation which must be exceedingly gratifying to his owners, as well as to Master Everett Fleming, son of ex-Mayor Fleming, who raised and sold the bull, and who owns his excellent dam, herself the champion female here for two years in succession.

The greatest show of Jersey cows ever seen in Canada was generally remarked as the 15 entries filed into the ring. Five of these were recently imported from the Island and represented the best that money could buy. Some idea of their excellence may be gleaned from the fact that the 1st prize cow of last year, Miller & Sibbey's Duhenna 2nd, was here in much better shape than she was a year ago and swinging an immense under, but she got no place in the prize list, though four awards were made. These all fell to the imported cows, not because they were imported, but because of their ideal dairy conformation and breed character, combined with the indications of capacity for large production of butter. Mr. Massey's cows, Phenomenon and Brilliant of Dentonia, showed great capacity and richness, have wonderful milk veins and capacious udders, somewhat pendulous from long and heavy use, as they are advancing in years, and give evidence of having done royal service. Island Queen is a model cow in shape and character, and would have shown to better advantage a few days later, as she was nearly due to calve. The real contest was evidently between the two four-year-old imported cows, Manor Lass 2nd, owned by Mr. Fleming, and Robert Davies' Crocus. Both are beautiful, and show all the indications of usefulness. Manor Lass had only calved about ten days before the show and had to be fed sparingly to guard against milk fever, and was consequently in only moderate condition and not in as good form for showing as she would be a month later, but she has a sweet head and fine neck, fine dairy form throughout, and a large and shapely udder, well balanced fore and aft, though not as wide as we could wish. Crocus put up a grand show of udder—wide, and fuller forward and back and flatter and more even on its sole than the other, and she looks a stronger cow, judging by the greater depth of her fore ribs and thickness through the heart, while she has all the fineness and finish of conformation one could desire, together with a beautiful, dished face, well-sprung ribs, long, straight quarters and fine withers, and great capacity for work. Many good judges around the ring had named her for first place and stoutly contended for their opinions after the agony was over and Manor Lass was declared the winner by the official judges, who, no doubt, had carefully weighed the evidences and have reasons for the faith that is in them. Massey's