

prize was won by a two-year-old heifer belonging to these gentlemen. Several other prizes and the silver medal for herd were taken by them.

The Messrs. Moody's herd consisted of seven animals, which showed good dairy points, but owing to lack of fitting had to take second place in most instances.

#### AYRSHIRES.

The show of Ayrshires, though less in number than last year, was of splendid quality. The entries numbered quite one hundred, which turned out eighty-one animals, which would have been far more except for the fact that some of our best herds were in quarantine on their way from the "Columbian."

The exhibitors were Jas. Drummond, Petite Cote, Que., twelve head; M. Ballantyne, St. Marys, eight head; Jas. McCormick & Son, Rockton, fifteen head; John Newman, Lachine, three head; Duncan McLachlan, Petite Cote, nine head; James Johnson, Como, Que., six head; Kains Bros., Byron, eighteen head; W.M. & J.C. Smith, Fairfield Plains, ten head.

Amongst the most noteworthy animals we will refer to Jas. Drummond's aged bull, Victor of Park Hill, a very smooth and well-finished animal. He appears to have plenty of character to enable him to retain the qualities in a first-class herd, such as he belongs to, or build up one not so perfect. This herd has made a splendid record in the Industrial contest, taking eight first prizes, among which are the herd prizes, and also for female and two of her progeny.

The first prize and sweepstake two-year-old bull, Silver King, belonging to McLachlan, is one of great depth and splendid skin, together with many other valuable dairy points. The herd which he heads has been lately imported, and contains some very fine animals.

Mr. Johnson's yearling bull, Prince Henry of Barcheskie, is an even one, with fine shoulder and rib, and a splendid skin. This newly imported herd gives evidence of careful selection.

Kains Bros.' three-year-old cow, Amy, is almost a model on a smallish scale, with a wonderful udder; also the two-year-old heifer, Rosa, deserves special mention.

The Messrs. Smith's herd were not so fortunate in obtaining prizes as some of the others, but when we know that their choice animals were on their way from Chicago the matter is easily understood. They were successful in taking two fourth-place herd prizes in that great contest.

Jas. McCormick & Sons' herd is a very useful one; the stock bull, Sir Laughlin, made a splendid second prize animal, with hardly as much substance as his more successful competitor.

Mr. Newman's herd is fine in quality, but perhaps too light in color to please some Canadians, although this is the fashionable color in Scotland. The yearling bull taking second prize is a nice straight one, and will no doubt develop into a valuable stock animal.

The Ballantyne herd is of the true working type, but hardly in the pink of condition that other years have found them. The young herd, especially the heifers, are particularly nice.

We take this opportunity of correcting an error that appeared in our Montreal show report. James Drummond received the Ayrshire herd prize, instead of McLachlan as previously stated.

#### BEEF BREEDS.

##### SHORTHORNS.

The Shorthorns this year were an extra good class. Many of the old exhibitors having sent their best to Chicago, there was a feeling that the showing would be light, and, consequently, many of the younger and more timid breeders came out to try their luck and let the public see that there were many good ones left in Ontario; indeed, we think there were in several classes individuals that should have been at the World's Fair in the place of some that were there. A. Johnson, Greenwood, and Wm. Linton, Aurora, were appointed judges, but Mr. Johnson, not wishing to act, as so many of his breeding were among the entries, remained as referee, and J. C. Snell very acceptably filled the position.

The principal exhibitors were:—Thos. Russell, Exeter; R. & S. Nicholson, Sylvan; John Miller & Sons, Brougham; John Miller, Markham; Jas. Crerar, Shakespeare; Wm. Redmond, Millbrook; J. & W. Watt, Salem; H. & W. Hay, Hay; Jas. Currie, Everton; J. & R. McQueen, Salem; H. Cargill & Son, Cargill; D. D. Wilson, Seaford; John Fried, Roseville; H. K. Fairbairn, Thedford; Eastwood Bros., Mimico; Simmons & Quirie, Ivan and Delaware; Jas. Gardhouse & Sons, Highfield; Jas. Leask, Greenbank; Wm. Shier, Sunderland; Jas. Oke & Son, Alvinston; A. F. McGill, Hillsburg, and P. & F. Laufshiers, Burnhamthorpe.

The aged bulls, as a class, were sent up to former years, but some good ones were forward, and out of a class of eight the judges selected Jas. Currie's War Eagle, a very smooth red, of Arthur Johnston's breeding, sired by War Eagle, out of Daisy's Star, for first place. (This bull was after-

wards awarded the medal as best bull any age). Second went to Crerar's Nobleman, of W. & J. Russell's breeding, a nice, even little bull; and the Bow Park bred Roan Duke 20th, a big, sappy son of Ingram from a Roan Duchess dam, was third place.

In three-year-old bulls, Watt's Clan Stewart, a nice, level son of old Barmpton Hero, out of Village Bud, got the red ticket; Mina Chief, shown by Simmons & Quirie, bred by A. Johnston, taking the blue, while third went to Gardhouse's handsome, rangy Earl of Aberdeen 3rd, of Bow Park breeding.

Messrs. John Miller & Son, Brougham, captured first in two-year-olds, with Sittyton Stamp, and Wilson's imp. Prime Minister—very much improved since last year—received second; Cargill's (imp.) Saladin, third.

Riverside Hero II., a very stylish roan yearling, brought out by Russell, of Exeter, and of his own breeding, won the red; Valasco 19th, shown by Eastwood Bros., left the ring wearing the blue, and Fairbairn's Great Chief won third.

A wonderfully fine lot of bull calves lined up before the judges, and it took considerable care and consideration to draw the following short list, which were finally placed in the order named:—Aberdeen, a thick, level-topped calf possessing great quality, shown by John Miller, Markham, first; Valasco 22nd, a white of great smoothness and finish, from Messrs. Nicholson's string got second, while Sir Walter, a strong, stylish, thick-fleshed red, the property of Wm. Redmond, was third, and Starlight, a strong, smooth calf, fifth, both of these the get of Baron Fenelon; Mr. Chas. Simmons' Allan won fourth place.

A fairly good class of cows over 4 years was forward, and the rich red Rugby Vensgarth, exhibited by Messrs. Watt, was a mighty good one.

Russell, of Exeter, showed Jane Gray 2nd, in the three-year-old class, and though she was near the calving and several other extra good ones pushed her hard, the judges considered her entitled to first place.

A wonderfully level heifer, Strathallan of Kent, shown by Messrs. Simmons & Quirie, was first in the two-year-old class, and afterwards pronounced sweepstakes female. Crerar's Rosabel, a particularly sweet heifer, stood second in this class, the beautiful white heifer, Fragrance, shown and bred by the Smiths, of Hay, gaining third. They also had forward the first-prize-winning year-old Vanity, a daughter of Village Hero, now at the head of Walter Lynch's herd at Westbourne, Man., and out of Vesta II.; this is an uncommonly thick-fleshed, sweet heifer, but Russell, of Exeter, contested the place strongly with Medora 12th, sired by Sultan Selim, out of an imported Medora; third went to Matchless 14th, a heifer showing much quality, sired by Barmpton Hero, bred and shown by the Messrs. Watt.

Nicholson's Nonpareil Chief scored another victory when the lovely heifer, Vacuna 23rd, headed an extra strong lot of sweet, stylish calves; Cargill's Ury Queen, out of imported sire and dam, was a very close second, while Redmond's Rose 13th was placed third. It was a difficult class to judge, there were so many good ones.

Mr. Crerar had no opposition in the class for cow and two of her progeny, with Kirklington Duchess 7th and her produce, Roan Rose and Kirklington Duchess 8th.

The class of four calves under one year brought out a great number of handsome calves, Mr. Redmond's lot proving, however, too strong for the others; Nicholson's were ranked second.

The Messrs. Watt had the winning aged herd in Clan Stewart, Rugby Vensgarth, Matchless 8th, 11th and 14th, but the Messrs. Miller, of Brougham, were mighty close up with Sittyton Stamp, Crocus, Lydia 5th, Adelina and Merry Maud.

#### HEREFORDS.

F. W. Stone, Guelph, and F. A. Fleming, Weston, were the only exhibitors of the white faces, and showed many good useful animals in good breeding condition, none of them having been specially fitted for the showing. The honors were pretty well divided, and fairly placed by R. T. Mackie, of Oshawa, and A. Rawlings, Forest.

#### POLLED-ANGUS.

Mr. John Miller, Brougham, tied the ribbons in this and also in the Galloway class. Two exhibitors only were present—Wm. Stewart & Son, Lucasville, and Jas. Bowman, Guelph, each having some good useful "Doddies." Stewart's aged bull, Lord Forest, being especially worthy of mention, as also is Bowman's sweepstakes cow, Ryma 2nd.

#### GALLOWAYS.

As usual, when this class is called, D. McCrae, Guelph, has a good strong lot to lead out. This time he had 20 head, while A. M. and Robert Shaw, Brantford, who have within the last four years established a herd of this hardy breed, had 11 head of a very useful sort. These herds shared up the prizes, the former winning the herd and sweepstakes on male and female. John Sibbald, of Annan, showed a very good two-year-old bull, with which he captured first place. W. H. & C. H. McNish, Lyn, won a blue ribbon on a nice year-old heifer.

#### DEVONS.

Mr. Rudd, Eden Mills, was the only exhibitor of the pretty "Rubbies." Having sent all his best ones to Chicago, those shown at Toronto were taken off the pastures without any special fitting, but were a good, strong lot.

#### SHEEP.

For many years past the Toronto Exhibition has been the meeting place of the best flocks in America; nowhere else on this continent are there so many fine sheep of the various breeds penned at one time. This year was no exception. The show of sheep as a whole was better than usual. The Long Wools were a noble lot. First on the list came the

#### COTSWOLDS.

and a handsome show they made. They were good last year, but this year they were better. A noticeable feature in this class, as in nearly every other, was that many finely fitted animals were either fed or bred in Canada.

The most notable exhibitors were Wm. Thompson, Uxbridge, Ont., and John Thompson, Uxbridge—two brothers each of whom has for many years been well-known in Cotswold circles. Last spring Mr. Wm. Thompson decided not to show this fall, but he fitted a show flock for Mr. Robert Miller, Brougham, Ont., who exhibited them at this show. This lot numbered sixteen, all plums. Mr. John Thompson imported this year from England a number of grand animals; he also fitted several others equally good, which were selected from his breeding flock. This show herd numbered twenty-two.

John Park, Burgessville, Ont., showed a strong, useful flock, numbering twenty-one. His aged ram, bred by himself, weighed over four hundred pounds. H. Crawford & Sons, Canboro, were out with nineteen in this class. A good, useful, well-bred lot they were, but not highly fitted. Thos. Boynton and R. W. Boynton were also exhibitors of Cotswolds. Never before were the

#### LEICESTERS.

so good or so numerous at any Canadian or American show. John Kelly, Shakespeare, Ont., as in former years, was out with a flock of good ones, all well fitted. To particularize seems to cast a reflection on the others, but to say that his imported yearling ram was the best sheep ever shown by Mr. Kelly places him in a very high place, yet this is probably the case. Messrs. Gaunt & Sons, St. Helens, Ont., proved the strongest competitors Mr. Kelly has encountered for years. They showed twenty-seven head, very good in quality and well brought out; all were bred and fed by the exhibitors. This was one of the largest and best flock of any breed ever shown in Toronto. The five yearling ewes and nine yearling rams were unusually fine and large, and of the best quality. Canadian breeders of Leicester sheep can find in this flock a grand lot of rams, all good, many fit to head any of the fine Leicester flocks for which Ontario is noted. Wm. Whitlaw, Guelph, Ont., was out with thirteen head of typical Border Leicesters, a draft from a flock of eighty. Those shown were field sheep—few if any of them had received any special fitting, and all had run in the fields. The ewes nursed their lambs until August first. James Gardhouse & Sons, Highfield, Ont., A. Easton, Appleby, Ont., and C. E. Wood, Freeman, Ont., were exhibitors in this class.

#### LINCOLNS.

were not more numerous than last year, but the quality of the animals was very high. This sort has made wonderful progress in Ontario during the past few years; there was a time, not so many years ago, that most of the sheep shown in this class were of very doubtful breeding and of inferior quality, but that time has past. Those shown this year, and for several years past, are of undoubted purity of blood, and of the highest individual excellence; in fact, this is now one of the best classes shown, though not as numerous as some of the others. The exhibitors were Messrs. Gibson & Walker, Denfield, Ont., and Wm. Oliver, Avonbank. Each made a fine display of large, hardy, vigorous, well-wooled sheep. As usual the

#### SHROPSHIRE.

were numerous, over ninety entries having been made. The individual animals were good, no really poor specimens were seen, yet as a whole the class was not up to former years. John Campbell, Woodville, showed a fine, well-fitted flock, numbering thirty. Messrs. Hanmer & Son, Mount Vernon, Ont., were out with twenty-three, all but four being bred by themselves; they were a credit to the exhibition and to the breeders. Mr. R. Gibson, Delaware, showed a flock in field condition—a good, useful lot they were. Robert Davies, Toronto, had twenty-seven on exhibition. His aged ram is a noted prize-winner in England and Canada; he weighs 325 pounds, combining size and quality in a marked degree. The yearling ewes were in character much like the ram; the average weight of these was 201 pounds. The aged ewes, the shearing rams, ram lambs and ewe lambs were one and all of fine quality. C. W. Gurney, Paris, was out with a flock numbering twenty-two—a well-wooled, well-bred lot, of good quality. Mr. J. N. Greenshields, Q. C. Danville, P. Q., exhibited eighteen head; these were of good quality and breeding. Several specimens were of unusual merit. As in previous years, J. M. Smith, Paris, showed several pens of good, well-wooled lambs. Horace Chisholm, also from Paris, showed two very fine ewes. The