

been those held at Edinburgh, and the show of the Royal Agricultural Society at Doncaster. Both were very fine displays, and it is no exaggeration to say that the Clydesdale made a grand impression at Doncaster on the classic ground of the St. Leger. There were several good classes at Edinburgh, but both there and at the Royal Mr. Wm. Renwick's Prince Alexander was the champion male Clydesdale. This fine, well-balanced, beautiful horse is the result of the combination of Prince of Wales and Darnley blood—the double crop of Samson blood which never seems to fail. His grandam was got by the famous Lord Lyon 489, and his great grandam was bred from an old Galloway strain. He is a horse in which substance and quality are combined in a remarkable degree. It is further worthy of notice that the female champion at the Royal, Scottish Snowdrop, was bred on almost similar lines. She was got by Prince of Wales out of a Darnley mare, and so has the double Samson crop, but her grandam is also of Samson breeding, being got by Old Times. The dams of Prince of Wales and Old Times were own sisters, and the dam of Darnley was also like them by Samson, so that there is a triple crop of Samson blood in her veins. She has never been beaten in her own class, although shown at every important Clydesdale show since April 1889, and she has been champion at the Royal two years in succession. Her owner, Mr. Sinclair Scott, was also first at Edinburgh with his grand, handsome brood mare Scottish Marchioness. This mare has since foaled, and consequently was not at the Royal. She is, perhaps, as beautiful in outline as any Clydesdale of the season. The Darnley mare, Scottish Rose, was first in the yeld class at the show in the Scottish Metropolis. The Kippendavie mare, Brenda, was first at Edinburgh and third at the Royal in three-year-old class, and Lord Polwarth was first at Edinburgh and second at the Royal with an excellent, well-colored two year-old filly named Maggie IV., and got by Sidar. Curiously enough, another daughter of the same horse, Crosby Rose, owned by Mr. William Montgomery, was first at the Royal in the same class, and stood reserve to Scottish Snowdrop for the championship. Lord Polwarth's breeding like mare, Connie Nairn, stood second at Edinburgh and fourth at the Royal in the three-year-old class. She is a daughter of Prince of Wales, and a great favorite with breeders, having substance and depth, combined with good breeding like points. The Earl of Cawdor was second at the Royal in the three-year-old class with that choice mare Derocto, by the famous Flashwood. This is a mare of much substance, and a great favorite on all hands. Mr. David Mitchell's Maritana, by Excelsior, was first at Edinburgh, and the Earl of Galloway's grand mare Lillie Langtry, by Flashwood, was first at the Royal in the yearling class. The most successful exhibitor at the Royal, perhaps, was Mr. William Montgomery, Banks, Kirkcudbright. He was first with the three-year-old stallion Breastplate, a well-colored, level horse, and, as we have seen, first with Crosby Rose. These were the only two animals he exhibited. Mr. William Graham, Edengrove, Penrith, was first in the brood mare class with Lizzie of Inchparks, a very handsome mare by Belted Knight, which gained a similar honor at Plymouth last year, and the same gentleman was second in the class of three-year-old stallions with the MacCash, a

big, strong, well-colored horse, got by Macgregor. Mr. Andrew Montgomery, of Netherhall, was first in the class of yearling colts with Ross Macgregor, a strong, well-built horse, which, I observe, is commended on all hands, and the same owner was second and third in the class of two-year-old colts with those splendid horses Prince Patrick and the Macquhae, respectively. The Lords A. and L. Cecil showed some first rate Clydesdales from their stud in Kent, and the Marquis of Londonderry was also represented by a number of fine animals. There was in every way a grand show of Clydesdales at Doncaster, and although veterinary inspection was compulsory for all male animals only one Clydesdale failed to pass.

SCOTLAND YET.

The Royal Society's Show at Doncaster.

The late show was the fifty-second held under the auspices of the Royal Agricultural Society of England, and although the attendance reached up higher than last year's show, still in this particular it was considerably behind that held in Windsor in 1889.

LIVE STOCK.

As Doncaster is right in the Coach horse district, Yorkshire having always been considered headquarters for horses of this breeding, it is not surprising that the entries for this class were both numerous and high in quality. Unfortunately the application for separate classes for Cleveland Bays was not recognized, therefore the entry of over seventy included representatives of the Yorkshire Coach horse and Cleveland Bay, less than half being entered in the Stud Book of the latter.

HACKNEYS

were a great show, and 128 entries were found at the Doncaster Show, the classes being defined as follows:—Those over 15 hands, those over 14 and under 15 hands, and Hackney mares and geldings over 14 hands. As weight carries up to 12 and 14 stone respectively.

SHIRES

figured up to 191 entries, in which all the classes were filled to overflowing with capital specimens of this English cart breed. The two-year stallion Buzy Victor Chief, purchased lately by Mr. Wainwright at \$12,500 caused quite a sensation in this class.

CLYDESDALES.

This class has been well described in the letter by Scotland Yet.

SUFFOLK PUNCHES

were not out in such numbers, only forty being entered; but of these some particularly useful horses filled the classes.

SHORTHORNS

were exceedingly well represented, the number footing up to 116 entries, which made a grand display. Less of the unfashionable white appeared to be conspicuous this year. According to the Mark Lane Express the awards were not without dissent from onlookers, two of the judges' predilection for Booth blood causing their judgment to be criticised. In aged bulls Mr. Evan Jones won first with Nugget, described as low and level, but wanting in style. He was sired by a bull of the Warlaby Bright family, from a dam of Mr. Handley's breeding. The second was won by a bull of Mr. Robert Thomson's breeding, and of his Millicent family, Lord Polwarth gaining third and reserve respectively with Commander and Gunboat, both by Sir

Arthur Irvin. Twenty-two entries appeared in the ring for bulls calved in 1889, the first going to Lord Polwarth's Windsor Royal, which also took championship. He is described in the London Live Stock Journal as being round ribbed and gay in carriage. The largest class was that of bulls calved in 1890, there being 27 entries, in which Mr. W. Fowler's Eryholme Prince, sired by the Bliss bull Lord Broughton. He is said to be a very handsome yearling, with masculine head, massive forequarters and well covered top. Mr. Folgam came second with a bull of mixed Scotch and Booth breeding, and Mr. Dean Willis 3rd.

Cows in milk. First and second were won by Lord Polwarth with Wave of Indiana and Wave of Lock Levin, both by Warlaby sires. For heifers in milk Lord Polwarth again won with Truth, by Sir Arthur Irvin. The second was one of Mr. W. Graham's, bred by Mr. Thomson, of Inglewood. Molly Millicent, of Mr. Thomson's lot, took the reserve number. In yearling heifers Lord Polwarth was again first. The Queen's herd scored second with a daughter of Field Marshal.

SHROPSHIRE

were the most numerous represented of the sheep classes, there being an entry of 182 out of a total of 649 of all breeds. In aged rams there were 27 entries. Mr. G. Lewis was 1st, Mr. A. S. Berry 2nd, Mrs. Barrs 3rd, and Mr. D. Buttar reserve number. Ninety-five shearling rams made plenty of work. Mr. Inge won 1st, Messrs. Bradburn 2nd, Mrs. Barrs 3rd, and Mr. E. Nock reserve number. Mr. David Buttar and Mr. J. Dixon both had highly commended sheep. Shearling ewes were a grand class of 28 entries, Mrs. Barrs winning 1st, Mr. Inge 2nd, Messrs. Bradburn 3rd, S. Minton H. C.

SOUTHDOWNS.

In aged rams there were ten entries, the Prince of Wales' flock scoring a 1st, Mr. J. J. Coleman 2nd. Shearling rams numbered 30. Mr. J. J. Coleman 1st, the Prince of Wales 2nd, Mr. J. J. Coleman also taking H. C., also Mr. Ellis and Mr. Wm. Toop.

COTSWOLDS.

Three flocks were forward, Mr. Russell Swanwick taking 1st and 2nd, and Mr. Garne 3rd in aged rams. In shearlings Mr. Garne was 1st, Mr. Bagnall 2nd, Mr. Swanwick 3rd. Three pens of shearling ewes were forward, all from Messrs. Bagnall's flock.

LINCOLNS.

In aged rams Mr. Henry Dudding lead off with 1st, Mr. R. Wright 2nd, Mr. Dudding 3rd and H. C. For shearlings Mr. Wright was 1st, Mr. Dudding 2nd and 3rd, as well as commended. Mr. Dudding was also 1st and 2nd in pens of ram lambs. Messrs. J. Brown and J. Westbrook were both highly commended. Pen of shearling ewes, 1st and 3rd, R. Wright; H. Dudding 2nd, also R. and V. H. C.

OXFORD DOWNS.

Only a small entry. Messrs. J. C. Eady, A. Brassey, J. Treadwell, S. Adams, and F. Street were among the winning exhibitors.

Appleton's Annual Cyclopaedia.

The above work is again to hand, and for general information concerning the events of the world during 1890, it is difficult to conceive anything more concise and thorough. It contains scraps of last year's history of each country throughout the world, as well as obituaries of marked characters. One, three, and five Bond street, New York, is the address of the publishers.