

Agricultural Intelligence.

Cattle at the Centennial International Exhibition.

The Centennial Commission proposes to adopt a scale to regulate the respective numbers of each breed of Neat or Horned Cattle to be entered for competition.

It is assumed that seven hundred head will cover all desirable entries; and upon that basis will be calculated the number of stalls which will be apportioned each breed. The scale divides the aggregate number into ten parts, and of these, four tenths are assigned to Short Horns, two tenths to Channel Islands, one tenth to Devons, one tenth to Holsteins, one tenth to Ayrshires, and one tenth to animals of other pure breeds.

The exhibition in each breed will comprehend animals of various ages, as well as of both sexes. Draft and fat cattle will be admitted irrespective of breed.

The exhibition of Horned Cattle will open September 20th, 1876, and continue fifteen days. It is desirable that all persons who contemplate exhibiting, will make application for stalls without delay, and if necessary at a later day, such applications can be amended. Inquiries may be addressed to the Chief of the Bureau of Agriculture, International Exhibition, Philadelphia.

Short-Horn and Hereford Sale in Australia:

AUSTRALIA PAPERS bring reports of large stock sales on their continent. At the sale of Messrs. Robertson, on March 19, 2nd Duke of Rockingham was bought by Gibson & Sons, of Tasmania, for 510 guineas; 3rd Duke of Rockingham, W. Neweray, Glen Thompson, 250 guineas; Fanny 12th, Messrs. Chirnside, Windham, 450 guineas; Fanny 13th, Mr. G. Mylne, Clarence River, New South Wales, 410 guineas; Fanny 14th, 300 guineas, and Bridal Flower, 320 guineas, W. McLean, Campbellfield; Empress, Messrs. Chirnside, 270 guineas; Marlborough, by Kirk, Queensland, 220 guineas. The above are Short-horns; in addition to them, some Herefords were sold at unusually large prices: Graduate, Bayles & McVillie, Hamilton, 210 guineas; Student's Cadet, same, 550 guineas; several other bulls brought over 150 guineas. The heifer Morning Star was bought by Messrs. Chirnside, for 250 guineas. The total realized at the sale was:

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| 4 Short-horn bulls, average | 284 10 0 |
| 2 " " heifers " " " " " " " " | 110 18 0 |
| 2 " " " " " " " " " " " " | 543 10 0 |
| 4 Hereford bulls, " " " " " " " " | 183 15 0 |
| 4 " " " " " " " " " " " " | 284 16 8 |
| 3 " " " " " " " " " " " " | 130 7 6 |
| 3 " " " " " " " " " " " " | 203 0 0 |
| 98 Short-horn cows and heifers average | 46 17 8 |
| 21 " " " " " " " " " " " " | 66 14 6 |
| 183 Hereford cows and heifers " " " " " " " " | 31 15 6 |
| 25 " " " " " " " " " " " " | 40 1 0 |

246 head, realizing £20,617 15s., or an average of £84 6s 7d per head

Dukes and Duchesses on this Continent.

"H." writes to the *National Live Stock Journal*, disputing the statement of a recent correspondent of that paper [CANADA FARMER, p. 97] as to the number of Dukes and Duchesses existing on this continent. "H." says: "I notice that you give the United States the credit for possessing only sixteen, and Canada two Duke bulls, when in fact, at the present time, although one has died and another been sold to go to England since that article was written, we have at least eighteen, instead of sixteen, and Canada three, instead of two, as the following list will show. This gives the admirers of in-and-in-breeding twenty-one Dukes to show for over twenty years of breeding in this country, and of these twenty bulls with high-sounding titles, almost half have arrived at such an age as to unfit them for much longer service. Enfeebled as their constitutions are by this long-continued course of in-and-in-breeding, it is no wonder that the 'Fancy' are becoming alarmed. Lest this family should become extinct if this insane folly of in-and-in breeding is followed much further; and already we hear rumors of more out-crosses to be added, to give this so-called 'blue-blooded' race of cattle a longer lease of existence.

14th Duke of Thordale—red, calved Feb. 27, 1868, owned by Geo. M. Bedford, Paris, Ky.

4th Duke of Geneva—red, calved Aug. 6, 1867, owned by A. Renick and B. F. Vanneter, Winchester, Ky.

2d Duke of Onida—red, with little white, calved Aug. 3, 1870, owned by T. J. McGibben, Cynthia, Ky.

3d Duke of Onida—red roan, calved Aug. 14, 1870, owned by Ware & McGoodwin, Danville, Ky.

1st Duke of Onida—red and white, calved Jan. 16, 1871; owned by Ezra Cornell, Ithaca, N. Y.

7th Duke of Onida—red, calved Jan. 24, 1872; owned by A. J. Alexander, Spring Station, Ky.

2d Duke of Hillhurst—red and white, calved July 17, 1871; owned by M. H. Cochrane, Compton, P. Q.

4th Duke of Hillhurst—red, calved Dec., 1874, owned by Robert Holloway, Alexis, Ills.

5th Duke of Hillhurst—red, calved April 13, 1875; owned by Noel, Cockerell & Gibson, Nashville, Tenn.

8th Duke of Airdrie—red, calved Aug. 14, 1862; owned by Harvey Sedowsky, Indianola, Ills.

13th Duke of Airdrie—red roan, calved Feb. 8, 1865; owned by A. & E. Whitman, Fitchburg, Mass.

14th Duke of Airdrie—roan, calved July 21, 1865; owned by James Wadworth, Genesee, N. Y.

15th Duke of Airdrie—roan, calved Dec. 30, 1865; owned by John Wentworth, Chicago, Ills.

17th Duke of Airdrie—red, calved Aug. 28, 1866, owned by Col. J. B. Taylor, London, Ont.

18th Duke of Airdrie—red and white, calved June 3, 1869; owned by Abner Stawn, Ottawa, Ills.

19th Duke of Airdrie—red, calved Sept. 6, 1869; owned by A. M. Winslow & Sons and D. Pratt, Vermont.

20th Duke of Airdrie—red and white, calved Sept. 5, 1870; owned by R. G. Dunn, Plumwood, Ohio.

21st Duke of Airdrie—red roan, calved Oct. 1, 1870; owned by C. E. Lippincott, Chandlerfield, Ills.

22d Duke of Airdrie—red and white, calved Sept. 9, 1871; owned by Richard Gibson, London, Ont.

23d Duke of Airdrie—red, calved Nov. 12, 1871; owned by J. P. Sanborn, Port Huron, Mich.

26th Duke of Airdrie—roan, calved Jan. 6, 1875, owned by A. J. Alexander, Spring Station, Ky.

Messrs. Beattie & Miller's and Hon. M. H. Cochrane's Sale.

These sales which came off at Toronto on June 16 were, beyond question, the most successful sales ever held in the Dominion, and were also the most successful in point of interest shown and prices realized, that have been held this season on this side of the Atlantic. The result seems to have satisfied Canadian breeders that Toronto is the best point at which to hold sales, where the presence of buyers from the United States is desired. Its accessibility and its excellent hotel accommodation give it advantages which, together with the liberality of the authorities in granting the use of the Provincial Fair Grounds, place its desirability beyond dispute.

The sales were conducted by Col. L. P. Muir, of Kentucky, who officiated as deputy for Mr. J. P. Page. The latter gentleman was present and generally superintended things, but was prevented by a slight hoarseness from undertaking the conduct of the hammer. The bidding was spirited, and in a few instances excited, for is not often that pure Dukes and Duchesses are placed within the reach of everybody that has a few thousand dollars to invest.

The following were the sales made:—

| Messrs. Beattie & Miller's Short-horns | |
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| COWS AND HEIFERS | |
| 1. Frantic 27th, E. T. Noel, Nashville, Tenn. | \$550 |
| 2. Surmise Duchess 10th, Wm. Major & Son, Whitevale, Ont. | 2,400 |
| 3. Surmise Duchess 5th, J. R. Page, Seneca, N. Y. | 2,700 |
| 4. Chaplet and bull calf by Royal Butterfly, S. M. Meredith & Son, Cambridge City, Ind. | 875 |
| 5. Statira, same. | 700 |
| 6. Young Bracelet, A. L. Stebbins, Port Huron, Mich. | 900 |
| 7. Princess Maid, Avery & Murphy, Port Huron, Mich. | 3,000 |
| 8. Princess of Baby, J. R. Page | 2,200 |
| 9. Delight, S. T. Spangler, Winthrop, Iowa | 750 |
| 10. Princess of Oxford 4th, J. R. Page | 3,000 |
| 11. Princess of Denmark 2nd, S. M. Meredith & Son | 1,000 |
| 12. Tea Rose and heifer calf, A. L. Stebbins | 550 |
| 13. Mountain Rose 3rd, S. M. Meredith and Son | 525 |
| 14. Fair Maid of Atha, Col. Holloway, Alexis, Ill. | 825 |
| 15. Belle of Atha, A. L. Stebbins | 425 |
| 16. Lady of Atha, same | 675 |
| 17. Flower of Atha and b. c. by Proud Duke, same | 525 |
| 18. Lady Bloom, same | 400 |
| 19. Duchess of Greenwood, George Miller, Markham, Ont. | 350 |
| 20. Duchess of Baby, J. R. Craig, Burnhamthorpe, Ont. | 3,100 |
| 21. Mary Hill, W. G. Pettit, Wellington Square, Ont. | 275 |
| 22. Countess and b. c. by Proud Duke, A. M. Darlington, Westchester, Pa. | 250 |
| 23. Katharine, S. T. Spangler | 175 |
| 24. Lady Barnes, C. S. Smith, Acton, Ont. | 525 |
| 25. Careless 8th, J. R. Craig | 2,300 |
| 26. Baroness Conyers, S. M. Meredith & Son | 1,650 |
| 27. Kirklevington Princess 2nd, Avery & Murphy | 4,050 |
| 28. Kirklevington Duchess 5th, J. R. Craig | 4,025 |
| 29. Duchess of Oakland, withdrawn | |
| 30. 9th Duchess of Oakland, Beng. Sumner, Woodstock, Conn. | 650 |
| 31. Casquet, S. T. Spangler | 575 |
| 32. Red Rose, same | 180 |
| 33. Melissa 3rd, not offered | |
| 34. Jessie Douglas, T. L. McKeen, Easton, Pa. | 325 |
| 35. Don Angeline 7th same | 200 |
| 36. Frantic Queen 2nd, E. T. Noel | 500 |

The bulls were withdrawn from the sale, as no biddings were obtained on the first two offered.

Hon. M. H. Cochrane's Short-horns

| COWS AND HEIFERS | |
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| 1. Airdrie Duchess 5th, Avery & Murphy | \$18,000 |
| 2. 4th Louan of Stauondale, Col. B. B. Groom, Winchester, Ky. | 2,350 |
| 3. Mattie Lee 4th, T. L. McKeen | 550 |
| BULLS | |
| 1. 5th Duke of Hillhurst, Messrs. Noel, Cockerell & Gibson, Tenn. | \$3,300 |

2. Ranger Prince, J. M. Peterson, Monmouth, Ill.

3. Louis le Grand, Jacob Lahrer, Vaughan, Ont.

Berkshires.

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Mapledale, S. M. Meredith & Son

Blackwatch, J. Miller, Markham

Fairy Sylph, S. M. Meredith & Son

Blushing Answer, same

Bride Elect, George Miller

Siesta and seven pigs, Birrell & Johnston

Somnolency, Hon. D. Christie

Smiling Morn, Birrell & Johnston

Beautiful Star, S. M. Meredith & Son

Baroness, J. Roach, Toronto

Susan, S. M. Meredith & Son

Surmise, same

Secret, J. Holderness, Toronto

Sow not in catalogue, J. White, Milton

BOARS.

Fitzmeador, S. M. Meredith & Son

Germ of Success, A. Pardoe, Toronto

Starlight Sentinel, Hon. D. Christie

Smalinstown, A. L. Stebbins

HORSES.

Stallion colt by Pope, S. R. Shearer, East Cleveland, O.

Pickering Lad, Mr. West, Brougham

Young Conqueror, T. McKeen, Easton, Pa.

Belle of the Ball, John Miller

Corra Linn, same

Mare by Richmond, same

Polly, R. West, Toronto

Carriage Stallion, T. L. McKeen

Carriage team of geldings, S. M. Meredith & Son

SHEEP.

Six Cotswold rams were sold, five of which were bought by Mr. John Miller, for \$50, \$35, \$65, \$85 and \$75, and one by Col. R. Gibson, Tennessee, for \$115.

SUMMARY OF THE DAY'S SALE.

MESSRS. BEATTIE & MILLER'S STOCK.

9 Horses, average \$480.50

15 Berkshires, av. \$100

6 Cotswolds, av. \$75

31 Cows and heifers, av. \$1,227 35

Grand total realized

Bearing in mind that these sales are at gold prices, while the sales in the United States are for greenbacks depreciated as we write by 17 per cent, it will be seen that the average realized Messrs. Beattie and Miller's Short-horns is greater by \$200 per head than the average realized at any sale this season on the continent. The cattle sold by Mr. Cochrane are of such a strain that no deductions can be made as respects the average price paid as applicable to Short-horn stock in general.

Sale of Mr. Heacock's Short-Horns.

On June 17, Mr. Seth Heacock's Short-horns were sold at Toronto. Despite bad weather, and the fact that the sale clashed with another stock sale in Newcastle, the prices realized were satisfactory. The following were the sales:—

| Cows and Heifers. | |
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| Belle of King, J. R. Craig, Burnhamthorpe, Ont. | \$270 |
| Carlotta, Corkery & Long, Thornhill, Ont. | 115 |
| Cherry Duchess, same | 150 |
| Daisy 4, and heifer calf, by Fidget's Oxford 5th, S. J. Spangler, Winthrop, Iowa | 520 |
| Minnie Herman and heifer calf, by Fidget's Oxford 5th, Corkery & Long | 320 |
| 2nd Duchess of Oakland and bull calf, by Fidget's Oxford 5th, E. T. Noel, Nashville, Tenn. | 205 |
| 3rd Duchess of Oakland, same | 135 |
| Susie Mowbray and heifer calf, by Fidget's Oxford 5th, S. T. Spangler | 300 |
| Carlotta 2nd and heifer calf, by Fidget's Oxford 5th, Corkery & Long | 255 |
| Wallflower, S. T. Spangler | 200 |
| BULLS | |
| Oakland Duke 2nd, John Little, Greenwood, Ont. | 200 |
| Earl of Hamilton, Daniel Dow, Kimmere | 140 |
| Alpheca's Oxford, S. T. Spangler | 460 |

SUMMARY.

10 Females, average \$255 00

3 Bulls, average \$266 66

Total

AT THE BATH AND WEST OF ENGLAND SHOW last month, great dissatisfaction was given by the award of the blue ribbon to a heifer without a name, belonging to Lady Pigott. Complaint is made that the only merit she has is that "she is by Booth's bull. If she stood in any market place she would not be noticed for any striking points of beauty; and if a question were raised by her owner as to her quality, she would be set down by a judge on being touched as the issue of a common Irish cow by a well bred bull. She is just a neat, shapely heifer, such as may be seen by the hundred almost any week in Liverpool and Manchester markets, and that is all that can be said of her; for she has neither hair nor color." Two other decisions were impugned, both of the cattle being by Baron Oxford 4th. Mr. T. Booth was one of the judges, which, says an English contemporary, was a likely appointment to engender dissatisfaction on the part of Bates men.