

EASTERN ONTARIO WINTER FAIR.

The executive committee of the Eastern Ontario Live-stock and Poultry Show have had every good reason for feeling satisfied over their show, just closed. The exhibitors, the visitors, and even the weather, have all to a gratifying extent contributed to make the show held Jan. 17th to 20th not only by far the greatest that has been held at Ottawa in the winter, but one of the best Winter Fairs held anywhere.

To begin with, the building is a capital one for a cold-weather exhibition. There is but one entrance; all the stock is in one building, and that one is splendidly heated, and in the judging arena equally well lighted. Stock and people are free from drafts and comfortable all the time, in which respects the Ottawa Fair is a splendid example for some other organizations. The new dairy building is roomy, sanitary, well lighted and warm—too warm for the cows' sake; over it is an excellent lecture room. The accommodation for sheep and hogs is somewhat cramped, and too dark to please the lookers-on or exhibitors, but that may be readily remedied.

Commendation, too, must be expressed of the excellent stall arrangement of the horses, whereby they are practically always open to public inspection, without any inconvenience to the animals.

THE HORSES.

Canadians are essentially horse-lovers, and the people of the Ottawa section are in no sense lukewarm admirers. The show of Clydesdales which was presented to the ring-side and officiating judges was one which drew forth the highest commendation. Nowhere in Canada this year, save at Guelph, was it excelled or equalled. It was especially gratifying to find such a numerous display of superior females presented, and augurs well for the future of breeding operations. All draft classes were judged by Senator Beith; Prof. M. Cumming, Truro, N. S., and John A. Boag, Queensville, Ont. Their work was commendably satisfactory, and, while difference of opinion could be held on a couple of rings, disputants must allow that the contest was sharp indeed. Exhibitors were: Graham-Renfrew Co., Ltd., Bedford Park, Ont.; Smith & Richardson, Columbus, Ont.; Hodgkinson & Tisdale, Beaverton, Ont.; Robert Ness & Sons, Howick, Que.; Wm. Meharey, Russell, Ont.; Adam Scharf, Cumming's Bridge, Ont.; Smith & Eadie, Vars, Ont.; Barber Bros., Gatineau Point, Que.; Mount Victoria Stock Farm, Hudson Heights, Que.

Clydesdales.—It has been a long time since as good a ring of aged stallions faced a judging committee in Canada. The recent Guelph show was outdone. Seventeen horses appeared for adjudication. From the beginning, it was evident that Craigisla, Gay Sprig and Sir Spencer would fight it out for the highest places. Craigisla had defeated all the others except Sir Spencer before, so that he had some advantage. Gay Sprig, however, never looked better, is a splendid moving, well-balanced horse, of splendid quality. He had, however, to be content at third. Sir Spencer is in splendid show shape, and is an exceedingly typical horse of quality. The judges, however, chose Craigisla for his massiveness, his bone, his front feet, and his going, as the fitter horse for first place. There could not help but be a difference of opinion in the rating where such grand horses contend, but those of different mind must grant that the judges had no easy task.

Nine drafty 3-year-old stallions faced the judges, and their verdict gave chief honors to the typical, massive, flash-going Sailor King. Next him went the well-known Glenavon, looking fully fit, and of the quality and type that ever pleases. A horse of much promise, and a contender for higher honors, was Bowhill Baron, thick and smooth, with good feet and the right kind of ankles, to whom third honors fell.

Scarcely as strong a class was that of the twelve two-year-olds. Baron Marquis led the ring, and, with his quality, width, depth and attractive going, could not be gainsaid. His stablemate, Ruby, showed deeper feet and a stronger top, but had neither the finish, width nor going ability of the one higher up. Baron Crawford, at third, showed the substance, type and size of a good draft horse; while compact, typical ones of a little less scale, came fourth and fifth.

Four aged Canadian-bred stallions came out. Koyama found chief favor in the judge's eyes, with his pleasing action and heavy proportions. Kinross, a big, thick, smooth finished colt, led the two-year-olds; while Baron Tofty, also of size, but with less quality, went second. Fascination again turned the trick of heading the yearling class, and, for type, quality and build, is hard to beat.

There has never been a stronger class of aged Clydesdale mares shown anywhere in Canada, according to men in continued close touch with Clydesdale affairs, as was that shown at Ottawa last

week. Type, with size, quality, smoothness, style, beauty and action, predominated from the top to the bottom of the ribbon-winning aggregation, and splendid ones stood outside the money. Baroness Insch, fit and attractive as ever, none too gracefully yielded first place to her elder, the Moncreiffe Duchess. Both are grand mares. Rosabella, at third, could get no points on moving from any of them, while, in quality and size and feminine character, was very attractive. Harmony Jess, that took fourth honors, is a new star of the first magnitude, and nothing but the very best could keep her from going higher. Black Queen, in fifth place, was a typical mare; while Marchioness, to whom sixth ribbon was allotted, has stood first in more than one keen battle, but lacked a little the fleshing needed for this fray.

In the two-year-old class, Royal Rosie came into the Canadian rings for the first time, in a convincing way. Type, compactness, character and grace all combined in her and placed her first, though she had to fight hard with the massive, clean, strong-made Bessie Lane. Lady Bane, at third, showed the make-up of an attractive, useful mare. In the yearlings, Jessie Cameron, of medium size, but well turned, trim, and with much character, was placed first.

The Canadian-bred aged mares were headed by a very stylish, balanced mare of good size in Fanny Forward, and following her was a thickly-made, clean-lined one in Lady Gold. The yearling fillies, however, brought out the championship of this section, in Rosvelva, that is hard, indeed, to fault.

The representatives for imported championship all came from the one barn, which took a little edge off the fray. The Canadian-bred champion-

One-year-olds.—1, Smith & Richardson, on Stirling, by Royal Edward; 2, Robt. Ness & Son, on The Majestic, by Majestic Baron.

Canadian-breds.—Aged stallions—1, David G. Boyd, on Koyama, by The Rejected; 2, Robt. Ness & Son, on Merchiston Again, by Merchiston; 3 and 4, Smith & Richardson, on Jim MacBay, by Alexander's Heir, and Prince Onslow, by Lord Onslow.

Two-year-olds.—1, Mount Victoria Stock Farm, on Kinross, by British Chief; 2, Geo. A. Hodgins, on Baron Tofty, by Baron Williamstown; 3, Thomas Clarey, on Baron's Kid, by Ace of Spades.

One-year-olds.—1 and 2, Smith & Richardson, on Fascination, by Black Ivory, and Bay Ivory, by Black Ivory; 3, Chas. Dunlop, on Wandering Willie, by Knight of Merryfield.

Imported mares.—Aged—1, Graham-Renfrew Co., Ltd., on Moncreiffe Duchess, by Moncreiffe Marquis; 2, Smith & Richardson, on Baroness Insch, by Casabianca; 3, Robt. Ness & Son, on Rosabella, by Marcellus; 4, Hodgkinson & Tisdale, on Harmony Jess, by Harmony; 5, Graham-Renfrew Co., Ltd., on Black Queen, by Baron O'Dee; 6, B. Rothwell, on Marchioness, by Marcellus.

Two-year-olds.—1 and 5, Smith & Richardson, on Royal Rosie, by Royal Edward, and Lady Edward, by Edward McGregor; 2 and 3, Hodgkinson & Tisdale, on Bessie Lane, by Flash Sturdy, and Lady Bane, by Faraway Blend; 4, Robt. Ness & Son, on Rose Wright, by Douglas Chief; 6, A. Scharf, on Song Thrush, by Scottish Crest.

One-year-olds.—1, Robt. Ness & Son, on Helidore, by Scottish Crest; 2 and 3, Hodgkinson & Tisdale, on Jessie Cameron, by Baron's Chief, and Baroness Humphrey, by Sir Humphrey.

Canadian-bred Mares.—Aged—1, Hodgkinson & Tisdale, on Fanny Forward, by Right Forward; 2, A. Scharf, on Lady Gold, by Fyvie Gold; 3, A. Millar & Son, on Lady Gartley, by Baron Gartley; 4, H. F. O'Callaghan, on Lady Mock, by Cecil; 5, F. H. Maloney, on Elsie Darnley, by Prince Patrician.

Two-year-olds.—1, Hodgkinson & Tisdale, on Cyrene, by Royal Baron.

One-year-olds.—1, and 3, John Bright, on Rosvelva, by President Roosevelt, and Salome, by Inheritor; 2, Hodgkinson & Tisdale, on Queen of Mongolia, by Right Forward.

Champion imported stallion, Craigisla. Champion imported mare, Moncreiffe Duchess.

Champion Canadian-bred stallion, Fascination. Champion Canadian-bred mare, Rosvelva. Grand champion stallion, Craigisla. Grand champion mare, Moncreiffe Duchess.

The show of Shires, Hackneys and Standard-breds was a quality but not a quantity show. Thos. Irving, Winchester, showed a medium-sized, well-turned, active, spirited aged stallion, Beamhope Dalesman, winning championship of the breed.

Two excellent Hackney stallions were shown, in Terrington Lucifer and Dainty Duke of Connaught; while the two-year-old, General Melrose, led the class for Standard-bred stallions, with his excellent limbs and easy, rapid going. W. H. Gibson, Beaufield, Que., judged the Hackneys, and Dr. Routledge, Lambeth, the Standard-breds. Awards follow:

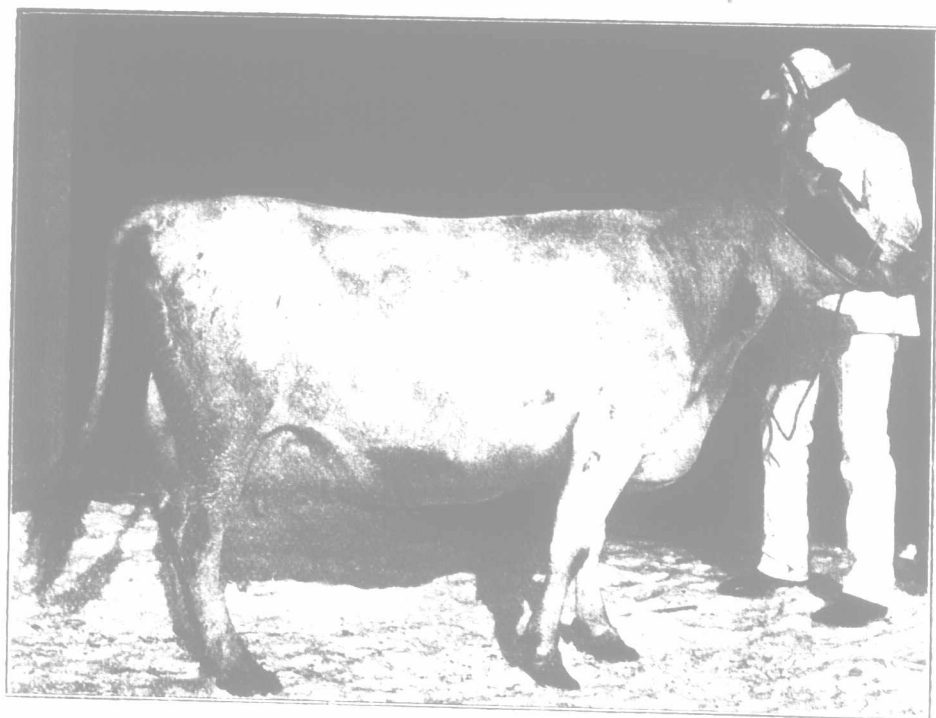
Shires.—Aged stallions—1, Thos. Irving, on Beamhope Dalesman, by Nyn Hitchin Duke; 2, John Johnston, on Admiral Togo, by Mars.

Mares, any age—1, John Johnston, on Black Beauty, by Admiral Togo.

Champion stallion, Beamhope Dalesman. Hackneys.—Aged stallions—1 and champion, Mount Victoria Stock Farm, on Terrington Lucifer, by Copper King; 2, Rothwell, on Dainty Duke of Connaught, by Gaston Duke of Connaught.

Hackney mares, aged—1 and 2, Mount Victoria Stock Farm, on Cymbal, by Mathias, and Counterfoil, by Copper King; 3, G. E. Stacey, on Miss Conquest, by Conquest 2nd.

Two-year-olds.—1, Mount Victoria Stock Farm, on Royal Ophelia, by Royal Ophelia.



Luck Girl (imp.).

First-prize pure-bred Ayrshire, and champion dairy cow, at the Eastern Ontario Winter Fair, Ottawa. Owned by R. R. Ness, Howick, Que.

ship went to Fascination, but he was defeated for the grand championship by Sailor King.

Awards.—Aged stallions—1, Graham-Renfrew, Ltd., on Craigisla, by Prince Thomas; 2, Robt. Ness & Son, on Sir Spencer, by Sir Hugo; 3, Graham-Renfrew, Ltd., on Gay Sprig, by Refiner; 4, Wm. Meharey, on Golden Crown, by Gold Mine; 5, Smith & Richardson, on Baron Russell, by Baronson; 6, Mt. Victoria Stock Farm, on Lord Aberdeen, by Netherlea; 7, Graham-Renfrew Co., Ltd., on Top Spot, by Baron Hood; 8, Routledge & Kerr, on Knight of Maryfield, by Prince Thomas.

Three-year-olds.—1, Graham-Renfrew Co., Ltd., on Sailor King, by Pacific; 2, Smith & Richardson, on Glenavon, by Baron of Boquhan; 3, Robt. Ness & Son, on Bowhill Baron, by Baron's Pride; 4, Smith & Richardson, on Invergowrie, by Marmon; 5, Graham-Renfrew Co., Ltd., on Wamphray, by Count Victor; 6, Smith & Richardson, on Dumore Shapely, by Baron o' Buchlyvie; 7, Barber Bros., on Dumore Burns, by Baron o' Buchlyvie; 8, A. Scharf, on Prince Charlie of Fife.

Two-year-olds.—1 and 2, Graham-Renfrew Co., Ltd., on Baron Marquis, by Baron's Pride, and Ruby, by Ruby Pride; 3, Smith & Richardson, on Baron Crawford, by Blacon Sensation; 4, Wm. Meharey, on Baron Cathbert, by Baron's Pride; 5, Barber Bros., on Baron Kirkeowan, by Baron's Pride; 6, Smith & Richardson, on Baron Mans- ton, by Baron's Pride; 7, Robt. Ness & Son, on Ruby Lord, by Ruby Pride; 8, A. Scharf, on Silver Mark, by Silver Cup.