

to upset the higher ideals of the best civilization of to-day.

The Island is pretty well covered with "Red Cross Societies," which are very active in forwarding anything that is necessary in the nursing of the wounded.

I think one of the greatest surprises caused by this war has been the readiness of the people of

all the British dominions to contribute freely of their money, and produce, to strengthen fighting forces of the Allies who are sacrificing so much in order that it may never again be possible for all Europe to be deluged with blood to satisfy the whim of the War Lord of Germany, or any other tyrant who has a mania for world conquest.

To our own people this war will have the

effect of making us more in reality citizens of the Empire, and all our gifts were really due for that protection we have been enjoying in the past, and which in the present is security to our trade and our homes where we can dwell in peace.

P. E. I.

W. SIMPSON.

Ninth National Dairy Show, Chicago.

Under the management of the National Dairy Show Association, of Chicago, and subject to the good will of the American people, a strictly dairy exhibition has been held in the great Amphitheatre at the Stock Yards in that city for nine consecutive years. Gradually it has demonstrated its economic necessity, and after passing through years of criticism and doubt has begun to accomplish the end for which it was conceived, that of placing more and better cows upon the American farm as well as bringing to the minds of the people the colossal significance of dairying, with all its affiliated industries, through the medium of a National Show. The National Dairy Show of 1914, in session from October 22nd to the 31st, truly deserves the same and position as the leading exponent of the dairy industry in America. The cattle breeder, the milk producer, the milk dealer, the butter, cheese and ice-cream man, and all engaged in any ramification of the milk industry are actuated with the one impulse of progress and improvement through the influence of this Show, for all interests pertaining to other lines are banished, giving place to the newest and best in the dairy world.

Over seven hundred head of the best dairy blood on this side of the water draw many a dairyman from a distance to see what is new and which is best, and after the State Fairs are done the National is considered the highest court, for the decisions there are final—beyond them there is no appeal.

Demonstrations and lectures took place daily. Numberless exhibits of every utensil or piece of machinery that may be used in any connection relative to milk production or its product were on exhibition, and one must wonder at the enormity of the combined enterprises dependent solely upon the cow. The Meadow Gold Butter Company always have an unique exhibit made of butter. This time it was a pioneer's outfit beaded for his new home. Oxen in the old-fashioned neck-yoke drew the van, but from a teamster's point of view the driver was on the wrong side. This is petty criticism, however, for the model was a work of art.

Outside of the Jersey herd being shown by R. J. Fleming, of Toronto, there was one Canadian exhibit erected by the three Prairie Provinces. It was composed chiefly of grain, yet it attracted considerable admiration. Our neighbors to the south have begun to consider Canadian products. In competition open to the world Jack Canuck has won the trophy for the best wheat, barley, oats and flax. For the last two years the champion steer of America was grown and finished on this side of the line. The Ontario Government has in its possession the cup for the best fruit grown on the American Continent; and now as the recognized champion producers of bread, meat and fruit Jack Canuck need not take off his hat at any event.

HOLSTEINS.

The Holsteins were outnumbered this year by both the Jerseys and Guernseys, yet one hundred and fifty were shown by eleven different breeders. The hardest struggle was between R. E. Haeger, Algonquin, Ill., and E. C. Schroeder, of Moorhead, Minn. Third in the contest came Nathan Dickinson, from Lake Geneva, Wis., with a number of well-bred and nicely-turned individuals. F. L. Stone, Benson, Minn., secured one first prize beside some seconds and thirds, but his winner was the junior champion female, which made it worth while for him. Another first prize went to Towana Farms, Davenport, Iowa, and outside of these mentioned there were only rare instances where other exhibitors sprang into prominence. The judging was left to W. S. Moscrip, Lake Elmo, Minn., who displayed the faculty of finding the good ones in a short time and placing them satisfactorily.

Once more, Paul Calamo Korndyke led the aged bull class for Haeger, winning over Oak De Kol Ollie Homstead and Johanna Concordia Champion, which stood second and third respectively. For two years Paul Calamo Korndyke has been master of the situation, bringing honor to his breed and fame to his owner. He was sired by Korndyke Abberkerk, and has for his dam Waneta Calamo Pietertje. Senior and grand championship honors went to Haeger on this bull. The junior champion male came from the senior calf class; in it Dickinson won first on Walcow's Johanna Champion by Johanna Bonheur Champion. The youngster is very nicely turned, with lots of quality and breed character,

and his style is such that followers of the ring will be surprised if he does not come back next year.

There has been a change in the aged cow class. Aconeth Lady, last year's champion cow, could not come back in her usual good form, but was good enough for third place in a class of fifteen. First of this line-up of matrons, as well as senior and grand champion female, was Minerva Beets, a nine-year-old, sired by Netherland Prince Van Monk, and out of Beatty Beets Netherland. She has a wonderful capacity, and every indication of being a worker of the first magnitude. Lady Reka Mooie was second, and in fourth place stood Lucy De Kol Wayne, the champion at Waterloo.

Crescent Beauty Butter Maid was considered the best four-year-old, and similar honors as a three-year-old went to Fyfe Pietertje Ormsby Mercedes. Out of sixteen two-year-old heifers Burke Spring Brook Ormsby by Sir Pietertje Ormsby Mercedes found her way to the top, but none of these nor Edenwold Clara Colantha Homstead by Bama Colantha Sir Johanna, the first prize senior yearling and junior champion heifer, could bring forth any effective opposition to Minerva Beets to dislodge her from premier place. In the junior champion, Stone has a strong heifer with character and considerable promise.



Minerva Beets.

Champion Holstein cow, National Dairy Show, Chicago, 1914.

In a test of the sire's worth, through a comparison of their progeny, Schroeder won on the get of Sir Pietertje Ormsby Mercedes. Haeger had the best breeder's herd, and Schroeder the best breeder's young herd and calf herd.

AYRSHIRES.

Through the efforts of three breeders eighty-three individual Ayrshires were presented to the public. Adam Seitz, Waukesha, Wis.; Barclay Farms, Rosemont, Pa., and Strathglass Farm, Port Chester, N. Y., all brought good herds to Chicago, and made the competition keen. W. F. Stephen, Huntingdon, Que., Secretary of the Canadian Ayrshire Breeders' Association, made the awards, while onlookers watched with interest the outcome of his work.

There were several features of the Ayrshire competition of special interest to Canadians. One was the defeat of Bargenock Gay Cavalier by Hobsland Perfect Piece, a son of the well-known Hobsland Masterpiece. Gay Cavalier has been a great bull in every way, especially in stamping his good qualities upon a large number of his get, yet in spite of his conformation and intense breeding, many authorities thought he had no license to win from Hobsland Masterpiece at the National Dairy Show last year. However, that in the past, but it is somewhat of a vindication of the Masterpiece's worth to have his son defeat the sire's rival and the progeny of Gay Cavalier as well. Hugh J. Chisholm, of the

Strathglass Farm, imported this two-year-old bull this year, and when Hobsland Masterpiece himself goes off the field of action Ayrshire breeders elect Hobsland Perfect Piece as a candidate for first Ayrshire bull of America. At Waterloo the stylish Hobsland Innellan, head of the Barclay Farms herd at Rosemont, Pa. took the blue ribbon from Gay Cavalier, but it was given back in the aged class at Chicago, only to have the young two-year-old bull defeat him for the banner. The reputation of Bargenock Gay Cavalier as a show bull has begun to wane, yet his name will live as being one of the best sires America ever saw. Cavalier's Fond Hope, a junior yearling, son of Bargenock Gay Cavalier and out of Duchess of Pindane, was made junior champion bull, but the highest honors went to the two-year-old.

In competition for the get of sire four individuals shown by the Strathglass Farm won the honors for Hobsland Masterpiece. The get of Bargenock Gay Cavalier were second, and that of Hobsland Innellan were third.

Kilford Bell 3rd, a queen of the blood and rival of the Canadian-owned Auchinbrain Fanny 9th, was first of the aged cows, as well as senior and grand champion female. The best three-year-old cow was Burnside Maggie Finlayston, a daughter of Maggie Finlayston 3rd and by Bargenock Gay Cavalier. She was bred by R. R. Ness, of Howick, Quebec, and shown in Canadian rings this year.

First of the senior yearlings was Netherhall Brownie 24th by Netherhall Scotland Yet. She is a heifer with good lines and excellent style, and won junior honors from Barclay's Blanch, a junior yearling, Strathglass Hyacinth a senior calf, and Cavalier's Trump, the winning junior calf. Barclay Farms won the class for five cows in milk, Strathglass Farm brought out the best breeder's herd, while Seitz won the breeder's young herd and breeder's calf herd.

JERSEYS.

Jersey day is always a big day at the National Dairy Show, but this year surpassed previous records so far as the number of animals was concerned. Fifteen breeders brought one hundred and ninety-three in-

dividuals to the Show, an even dozen of which represented the herd of R. J. Fleming, Toronto, Ontario.

There was no outstanding winner to put at the head of the aged class, but finally Ocean Blue moved up, Distinction's Noble went second, and Fairy's Noble Jolly, the Canadian bull, came third. At Waterloo, Fleming's bull won from Ocean Blue and was made senior champion, but as they stood at Chicago the placing was no surprise. The winner of this class later became senior champion, but was beaten for grand championship honors by Allen Dale's Raleigh, a yearling by Fairy Glen's Raleigh, and owned by Allen Dale Farms, Shelbyville, Ky. It required the development of a strong case to win in the yearling class, for out of the eight shown almost every individual had been a junior or a grand champion at some state fair; even Light Blue of Riverbank, the junior and grand champion at Waterloo went down to fifth place in this class. Algerian Noble, the junior champion at Chicago last year found himself in second place, followed by Viola's Plymouth Jolly.

Meadow Grass 2nd, Fleming's grand champion cow at Toronto, 1914, stood third in a class of fourteen aged matrons. The Judge, George Sisson, Jr., Potsdam, N. Y., said later that had she been in good shape physically she had the type and qualities to easily win the first place. As it was Princess Amolinda stood highest up. She won her class and grand championship for