

## Sale of Hillhurst Shorthorns.

The dispersion sale of the Hillhurst herd of Shorthorn cattle, property of Hon. M. H. Cochrane, Hillhurst, Quebec, held at Hamilton, Ont., August 11th, was very largely attended, breeders being present from Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Iowa, Minnesota, Colorado, Oregon, and Manitoba, beside a very large contingent from many districts of Ontario. The presence of such a large gathering of farmers at a stock sale in the midst of the harvest season may well be regarded as an indication of prosperous times for the agriculturist, and as an indication of a growing interest in the improvement of the cattle of the country. The cattle in this offering were for the most part without any special preparation for the sale, having been taken from short pastures only a week before the event, and subject to the annoyance of the plague of flies, which leaves their hair in anything but the best condition, and being sold without any guarantee as to future usefulness as breeders, though they were, with very few exceptions, evidently all right in that respect, many of the cows having young calves at foot, which were sold with their dams. Most of the animals would have made a much more attractive appearance and brought better prices had they been carrying more flesh and groomed for the occasion, but considering all the circumstances the result was highly satisfactory, the general average of \$307 for the 57 head sold being considered fair value for them as they were. A striking feature of the sale was the fact of the highest-priced animals, with one exception, coming to Manitoba, Sir Wm. Van Horne, who was present, accompanied by Mr. James Yule, his farm manager, being the purchaser of five head at an average of a little over \$600 each, for his fine farm at Selkirk, the highest-priced female, (imp.) Lester's Pride, a roan two-year-old heifer, being taken by Sir William at \$800. The highest price for a bull, \$1,000, was paid for the red two-year-old, Lord Mountstephen, by Mr. E. H. McCutcheon, of Holstein, Iowa, and Mr. Ed. Robinson, Markham, Ont., took the excellent roan yearling (imp.) Royal Champion, at \$650. Imp. Joy of Morning fell at a great bargain to the bid of Mr. Geo. D. Fletcher, Binkham, Ont., at \$375. He is in his four-year-old form, and in too high condition to look his best or to sell to best advantage, but has many grand qualities, and his usefulness as a breeder is assured by the fact of many of the young things being sired by him and many of the cows being in calf to him. Mr. Wm. Chalmers, Brandon, secured a prize in the handsome and well-fleshed roan eight-months-old bull calf, Strathallan Beau, by Imp. Scottish Beau, at \$310. The sale list is given below:

Cows and Heifers.	
Imp. Lester's Pride, roan, 2 years; Sir William Van Horne, Selkirk, Man. ....	\$ 800
Imp. Florence 2nd, rn., 1 yr.; Sir Wm. Van Horne .....	675
Imp. Beauty 37th, rn., 1 yr.; Sir Wm. Van Horne .....	550
Imp. Amine 5th, red, 3 yrs.; Sir Wm. Van Horne .....	510
Imp. Heather Bloom, white, 1 yr.; Sir Wm. Van Horne .....	500
Imp. Butterfly 49th, rn., 4 yrs.; J. & E. Chinnick, Chatham .....	450
Imp. Scottish Maid, red, 2 yrs.; James McMillan, Hillsburg .....	415
Imp. Juno, rn., 7 yrs.; A. Garland, Detroit, Mich. ....	400
Imp. Martha, red, 1 yr.; J. G. Stevenson, Detroit, Mich. ....	400
Imp. Fancy Lady, rn., 4 yrs.; Chas. E. Porter, Appleby .....	375
Imp. Amine 6th, rn., 2 yrs.; Amos Smith, Trowbridge .....	375
Imp. Rosemary 127th, rn., 5 yrs.; M. McDougal ..	360
Imp. Rose Bloom, rn., 5 yrs.; W. L. Horton, North Pelham .....	355
Imp. Madge 2nd, red, 2 yrs.; John Watson, Seagrave .....	340
Imp. Rosemary 205th, red, 5 yrs.; Edward Bryan, Ridgetown .....	300
Joy Bell, red, 1 yr.; J. White, St. Mary's .....	330
Imp. Duchess 2nd, red and white, 1 yr.; Hon. John Dryden, Brooklyn .....	315
Imp. Flower Princess, rn., 3 yrs.; W. H. Taylor, Parkhill .....	300
Imp. Joyous Girl, rn., 1 yr.; J. Pollard, Iowa ..	300
Imp. Lambert's Bridesmaid, rn., 7 yrs.; John Hill, Wellesley .....	300
Imp. Queen of Pennan, red, 2 yrs.; J. C. Littlejohn, Highgate .....	300
Imp. Augusta 83rd, red, 3 yrs.; A. Garland, Howell, Mich. ....	300
Imp. Belladonna 2nd, red, 3 yrs.; W. D. Flatt, Hamilton .....	295
Rosemary of Hillhurst, red, 6 months; J. White, St. Mary's .....	260
Imp. Craibstone Beauty 7th, rn., 5 yrs.; J. Hill, Hillhurst Bridesmaid 2nd, rn., 3 yrs.; A. Garland ..	280
Imp. Jessamine 10th, white, 1 yr.; James Brown, Thorold .....	275
Imp. Sra., red, 3 yrs.; W. S. Horton .....	265
Imp. Rosemary 137th, red, 1 yr.; J. T. Gibson, Denfield .....	260
Imp. Camelia Blossom, rn., 2 yrs.; John McFarlane .....	260
Imp. Helena, white, 3 yrs.; R. Mitchell, Coldstream .....	240
Imp. Hillhurst Bridesmaid, rn., 6 yrs.; John Lean, Bowles' Corners .....	245
Imp. Beauty 3rd, red, 1 yr.; John Watson, .....	240

Imp. Doris 3rd, red, 2 yrs.; John Hill .....	\$ 230
Imp. Queen Perier 3rd, rn., 1 yr.; D. M. McIntyre, Paisley .....	215
Imp. Village Beauty, white, 2 yrs.; W. A. Galbraith, Dutton .....	200
Imp. Mayflower 3rd, rn., 2 yrs.; R. Wilkins, Harriston .....	200
Topsy 2nd of Hillhurst, red, 1 yr.; Wm. Chalmers, Brandon, Man. ....	200
Imp. Vain Belle 2nd, red, 9 yrs.; D. M. McIntyre ..	185
Imp. Bella Hillhurst, red, 1 yr.; Thos. Hargrave, Markham .....	185
Lady Strathallan Hillhurst 4th, red, 3 yrs.; Wm. Chalmers .....	175
Hillhurst Bridesmaid 4th, rn., 1 yr.; J. Watson ..	165
Topsy of Hillhurst, red, 6 yrs.; John Hill .....	150
Famous 8th of Hillhurst, red, 1 yr.; W. D. Flatt .....	110
Famous 7th of Hillhurst, white, 1 yr.; J. Hill ..	85
Lady Strathallan Hillhurst 3rd, red, 4 yrs.; Wm. Smith, Columbus .....	100
Cecilia Hillhurst 2nd, white, 8 months; T. E. Robson, Ilderton .....	95
Welcome Belle, red, 1 yr.; Amos Smith .....	80
Famous 9th of Hillhurst, rn., 1 yr.; John Hill ..	80
Beatrice 6th of Hillhurst, red, 2 yrs.; A. C. Pettit, Freeman .....	75

## Bulls.

Imp. Lord Mountstephen, red, 2 yrs.; E. H. McCutcheon, Holstein, Iowa .....	\$1,000
Imp. Royal Champion, rn., 1 yr.; Ed. Robinson ..	650
Imp. Joy of Morning, rn., 4 yrs.; Geo. D. Fletcher, Binkham .....	375
Imp. Royal Kitchener, red, 1 yr.; Ira B. Vanatta, Ballinafad .....	310
Strathallan Beau, rn., 8 months; Wm. Chalmers, Brandon .....	310
Joe Chamberlain, rn., 1 yr.; Douglas McGregor, Mimosa .....	210
Imp. Rose Noble, rn., 1 yr.; E. M. McIntyre, Paisley .....	165

7 bulls sold for \$3,020, average \$431.50  
50 females sold for \$14,380, average \$287.60  
57 head sold for \$17,400, average \$307.55

## Senator Cochrane's Death.

Hon. Senator M. H. Cochrane died at his residence, Hillhurst Farm, Compton, P. Q., on August 12th, the day following the dispersion sale of his herd, at the age of 80 years. Compton was his birthplace. He was called to the Senate on October 17th, 1872. Associated with many successful business and educational enterprises, including several ranching companies, he was also a member of the Quebec Council of Agriculture. In the agricultural world, he was best known through the eminence he attained as a breeder of pure-bred Shorthorn cattle and other stock. His efforts in that direction have been of incalculable advantage, not only to Canada, but to the breeding interests of the United States as well.

## Fair Dates.

The dates at which a number of fall shows and exhibitions are to be held are published herewith. Secretaries of fairs not included in this list are requested to forward the date of their exhibition to this office.

Central Sask. (Saskatoon) .....	Sept. 29 and 30
Maple Creek, Assa. ....	Sept. 29, 30 and Oct. 1
Rosthern, Sask. ....	Oct. 1
Duck Lake, Sask. ....	Oct. 2
Carlyle, Assa. ....	Oct. 2
Medicine Hat, Assa. ....	Oct. 2 and 3
Kinistino, Sask. ....	Oct. 6
Fairmeade, Assa. ....	Oct. 6
Olds, Alta. ....	Oct. 6
Lethbridge, Alta. ....	Oct. 6 and 7
Victoria, B. C. ....	Oct. 6 to 10
Innisfail, Alta. ....	Oct. 7
Gladstone .....	Oct. 8
Grenfell, Assa. ....	Oct. 8
Red Deer, Alta. ....	Oct. 8 and 9
Pincher Creek, Alta. ....	Oct. 8

## Calgary Exhibition Directors Meet.

Recently, the Inter-Western Exhibition directorate called a meeting at Calgary, and appointed the following members, A. G. Wolley Dod, Jas. Smart, G. H. Webster, I. S. G. Vanwart and J. H. Turner, as a committee to discuss with the City Council regarding increased accommodation in the way of buildings for the fair, and also the improvement of conditions at the grounds.

## Winnipeg Stock-judging Awards.

In our list of the awards of the stock-judging competition at the Winnipeg Industrial Exhibition, the three prize winner in the dairy cattle section should have been A. F. Murray, Lumsden, and the third prize winner in the horse section, P. D. Farmer, Winnipeg, and not P. D. Palmer.

## Seed Bill Postponed.

But Mr. Fisher's Bill regarding the "inspection and the sale of seeds," introduced at Ottawa this season, has been laid over till next session of Parliament. Its object, preventing the sale of weed seeds, was heartily endorsed, and the Minister hopes to have it in more perfectly workable shape by next year. The discussion will do good.

## Grain Growers Gaining Strength.

The Provincial Secretary of the M. G. G. A., Mr. R. McKenzie, of Brandon, lately organized, both at Clearwater and Teesbank, local associations, with a membership of over twenty in each case.

## Markets.

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## LIVE STOCK.

Cattle.—Cattle are now coming in from the ranges, though not at such a rate as might be expected at this season. There is great diversity in the condition and quality of the range cattle. The majority are in good condition, and a number are prime, fat, tiptop quality, but a number are rather lean and make only inferior quality of beef. The prices are: Prime beef, 4c.; ordinary, 3½c. to 4c.; inferior, 3c. to 3½c., off the cars at Winnipeg.

Sheep.—The market continues the same as our last report, being ruled by the same conditions. The price is 4c., off the cars at Winnipeg, and lambs are selling at \$4 to \$5.

Hogs.—The market continues well supplied, and the top price remains at 6c. per pound. Heavy and light are a half cent, and extra heavy a cent less.

Horses.—There is a good supply, and an equally good demand at high prices. Teams are being sold at \$300 to \$400, and an extra heavy team will fetch \$50 more.

Dressed and Cured Meats.—Beef—There is a fair demand, and the supply keeps up with it. The price remains at 7c. to 7½c.

Mutton—Supplies are limited, and quality variable. Prices are: Mutton, 10c.; lamb, 12c.

Smoked ham 14½c.; best bacon 14½c. Other grades vary from 9½c. to 13c.

## DAIRY PRODUCE.

Creamery butter market is firm, at 17c. Dairy butter is not a strong force on the market. The price is 13c. for best quality, and lower grades are selling at 11c. to 12c.

Cheese.—Local demand is at present absorbing all the supply, and the indications are that it will continue to do so. The price is 9½c. to 10c.

Poultry and Eggs.—There is practically no supply of poultry, and eggs as scarce as ever; 15c. is freely paid in Winnipeg.

Vegetables.—New vegetables are selling plentiful, and prices are arriving daily at reasonable standards.

## GRAIN MARKET.

The market for wheat is all but closed, and speculation is vague regarding the crops of 1903. Better crop prospects than prevailed a week or two ago are now guaranteed. Very little wheat has been handled since our last report, but the price has again gone up. No. 1 hard is selling at 87½c., and September trade is quoted at 82½c.

Barley.—There is little trade in barley. The prices quoted are: No. 3, 32c. to 33½c., Winnipeg.

Oats.—The dwindling down of consignments shows the stock of last year's crop to be fast becoming exhausted. The prices remain the same as in our last report, viz.: No. 1 white, 32½c.; No. 2 white, 31c.; feed grades, 30c.

Hay.—There is not much of a supply, and the prices have advanced. New or old hay, baled, is selling at \$7.50 to \$8, on the track at Winnipeg.

## FLOUR AND FEED.

Flour.—The price remains unchanged at \$2.15 for best quality; No. 2, \$2; No. 3, \$1.65 per sack of 97 lbs.

Ground Feed.—Oat chop, \$22 per ton; barley, \$19; mixed barley and oats, \$21; chop screenings, \$12; oil-cake, \$27.

Bran and Shorts.—Bran is selling at \$16, and shorts, \$18 per ton.

## Chicago Markets.

Chicago, Aug. 17.—Cattle—Good to prime steers, \$5.10 to \$5.75; poor to medium, \$3.65 to \$4.90; stockers and feeders, \$2.25 to \$4; cows, \$1.50 to \$4.40; heifers, \$2 to \$4.85; canners, \$1.50 to \$2.60; bulls, \$2 to \$2.40; calves, \$2 to \$6.75; Texas-fed steers, \$3 to \$4.60; Western steers, \$3.25 to \$4.50. Hogs—Mixed and butchers', \$5 to \$5.60; good to choice heavy, \$5.30 to \$5.40; rough heavy, \$4.90 to \$5.25; light, \$5.25 to \$5.75; bulk of sales at \$5.15 to \$5.45. Sheep—Good to choice wethers, \$3.25 to \$3.75; fair to choice mixed, \$2.50 to \$3.25; native lambs, \$3.25 to \$5.75.

## Montreal Markets.

Montreal, Aug. 17.—Cattle—Receipts 900 head, most of which were of good quality. Demand good. Choice butchers', 4c. to 4½c.; good, 3½c. to 4c.; medium, 3½c. to 3¾c.; common, 3c. to 3½c. Calves—Poor stock, \$2 to \$3; good, \$3 to \$14. Sheep and lambs—Sheep, 3c. to 3½c.; lambs, \$2 to \$2.50. Demand was good for export sheep. Hogs—The demand was good, and prices ranged from 6½c. to 7c.

## British Markets.

London, Aug. 17.—United States cattle, 6d.; Canadians, 5½d.; sheep, 6½d. Trade firmer.