

imported Hillhurst Baronet, bred by Lord Baring, and got by Christmas Gift, a bull of much merit, low set, smoothly turned, and of good quality. Royal McGregor, a red bull, bred by H. Cargill & Son, Cargill, and shown by D. Talbot & Son, Everton, sired by imp. Royal Member, was a strong claimant for third place, and probably no injustice would have been done had he been so placed. He has many strong points in his favor and ranks among the best yearlings in the country. A bull which attracted much attention, and was admired by many, is Governor, a massive, smooth-fleshed roan, shown by Eastwood Bros., Mimico, and bred by W. R. Elliot, Hespeler. Grainger & Son's red

Robson's roan five-year-old cow, Frieda, by Abbottsford, and Goodfellow Bros.' red six-year-old, Sowerby's Lass, by Mina Lad, for second and third places. Frieda came out in capital bloom, carrying the same fine quality of flesh that she did as a two-year-old, and there was no quarrel when she was placed second. Neither would there have been if the red cow had been given the place, for she is an honest cow, if there be one, having bred two calves within the twelve months, her latest, a right good one seven months old, being present at the show, and she is a beautiful cow, smoothly covered with first-class flesh, and without a weak point in her make-up. The third-prize cow should not have

been by himself and sired by Royal Sailor, the first and second-prize ribbons in such a phenomenal class. These were the roan Mildred 8th, full sister to Mildred 6th, which was second-prize 3-year-old cow at Toronto last year, and the red Matchless 25th, full sister to Mathless 18th, the first-prize cow of the same age and the champion female of the class in 1899, which, in the present case, were placed in the order named. It is almost equally complimentary to the Hillhurst herd to say that probably a majority of the breeders present thought so highly of the rich roan imported Moir-bred heifer, Fancy Lady, by Prince of the Vale, that they would have placed her at the head of the list, although the judges put her fifth. Capt. Robson got into third position with the grandly-furnished roan, Lady Sowerby, bred by Mr. William Linton and sired by British Lion, and to the Captain also fell the fourth award for Lavinia's Blossom 3rd, a lovely roan of similar stamp, bred by himself and sired by Blue Ribbon. The heifer calves were also a great class. There were twenty-seven entries in the catalogue, and twenty filed an appearance. This is always a difficult class to judge when there are many good ones, as there always are at Toronto, and the judges made it unnecessarily difficult for themselves by wandering all over the field for an hour before making a draft. There were at least a dozen toppers, and as in the case of the yearling heifers, not an outstanding first, and probably not one of the exhibitors was more surprised, considering the hard lines that had fallen to them in other sections, than were Goodfellow Bros. when their entry, the red Golden Pansy, by Golden Flame, was drawn out for first place. It was doubtless an unconscious compliment the judges paid them as breeders and fitters, when, after selling their best heifer calf for a big price to strengthen a prominent show herd in the States, they declared by this decision that the second best calf from the Macville herd was good enough to head the great ring of calves at Toronto. W. C. Edwards & Co., Rockland, showed a magnificent quintette of calves, got by the grand Duthie-bred bull, Marquis of Zenda, which speak volumes for his potency as a sire, and well sustains our estimate of his value as a breeder, as expressed in our report of last year's Toronto show. There might well have been three of the five in the prize list, and one at the head of it, but only the second prize fell to one of them, Lady Hamilton, a rich roan of great substance and quality. Capt. Robson came in for the third card in the shuffle with the red Lady Zoe 6th, by Blue Ribbon. R. & S. Nicholson, Sylvan, had the fourth winner in the white Vacuna 56th, by Royal Standard, a beautifully-fleshed heifer; while J. & P. Crerar, Shakespear, were relegated to fifth place with the comely yellow-red and white Gem of Ballechin 2nd, by imp. Diamond Jubilee and out of imp. Gem of Ballechin, a calf that was so greatly admired by many of the breeders present that they would not have raised the first objection had she been crowned queen in the contest.

The female championship was awarded to J. & W. Russell's first-prize cow, Nonpareil 52nd. For the best four calves bred and owned by the exhibitor, the prizes were awarded, first to W. C. Edwards & Co. for a quartette sired by imp. Marquis of Zenda; second to J. & W. B. Watt for the get of imp. Royal Sailor; third to R. & S. Nicholson for sons and daughters of Royal Standard; and fourth to T. Douglas & Sons, Strathroy, for the progeny of Valkyrie. For the best four females, bred and owned by exhibitor, the first prize was won by J. & W. Russell; second by J. & W. B. Watt. For the best three animals, progeny of one bull, first place was given to the exhibit of J. & W. B. Watt for the get of Royal Sailor, and second to J. & W. Russell for a bull and two females got by Prince of Wales = 27131 =. The first was a popular decision and a proper one; the second was decidedly unpopular, and was considered one of the greatest mistakes of the day. The open herd prizes for one bull and four females over one year were awarded,



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Look-at-Me, by Beau Ideal, is also a capital sort, as also is T. Douglas & Son's Sandy Burk, by Valkyrie, and Watt's roan Royal Victor, by Royal Sailor.

In the section for bull calves under a year old there were 20 to face the judges, and a capital class they were, with hardly an exception. There were five prizes to award, and it was no easy task to pick out the five best and place them in their proper order. The judges took a long time to it, which might have been much shortened and better work done, with more satisfaction to onlookers, had some system been observed in drafting, selecting and placing the animals.

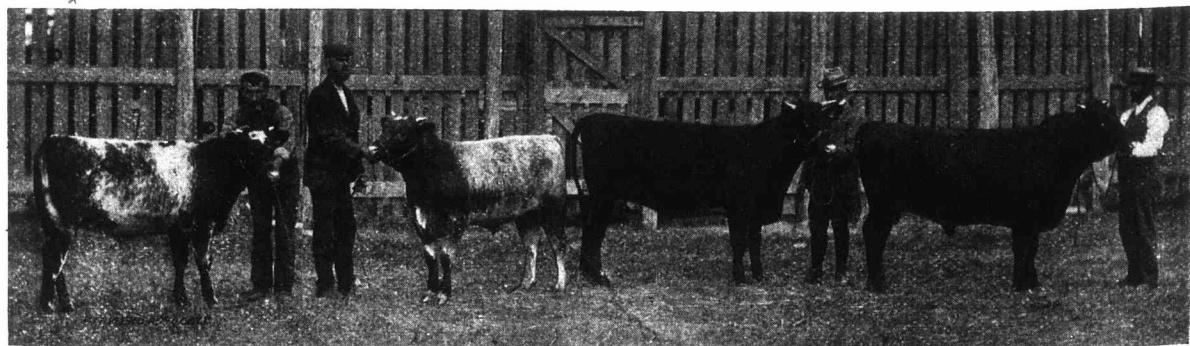
An outstanding first was found in Watt's red Royal Wonder, by Royal Sailor and out of English Lady 11th. He is one of the very best ever shown at Toronto. He has style, substance, symmetry and quality to the Queen's taste, is every inch a winning show bull, and gives promise of continuing to be that for years if he lives, and he looks like living as long as the last in the list. Captain Robson was certainly fortunate in capturing second and third in such competition. He won the second worthily with the red and white Ribbon's Choice, bred by himself, twinned with a heifer sired by imp. Blue Ribbon, out of Rose Hill, built on the plan of the first-prize calf, though not so well developed and promising to go on to be a good one. White is a fortunate color, if it be a color, in the showing, and the Captain's white calf in this case, Royal Bob, by Royal Standard, putting it mildly, got into quite as good a place as he was entitled to. He has excellent quality and many other strong points, but he passed by several bulls that were better balanced and might well have been placed before him. Goodfellow Bros., Macville, showed four rattling good calves and got into fourth place with a roan Watt-bred calf, James Stamford Watt, by Balmoral, dam Salem Stamford, a right good one, though they had two or three of their own breeding that were nearly if not quite as good. The fifth-prize calf, Knight Errant, a rich roan, bred and shown by W. C. Edwards, Rockland, and sired by British Knight, would have been more properly placed third. He has ideal quality of flesh and hair, and well balanced conformation, and is no fifth-prize calf, as one may judge from the fact that he has been purchased as a head for his herd by so good a judge as James Leask, of Greenbank, who selected Moneyfuffed Lad and made a champion of him, who showed Royal Banner, the first prize yearling last year at Toronto, sold as a two-year-old at the Platt sale at Chicago for \$1,505, and who knows a good thing when he sees it. The sweepstakes for best bull of the breed, any age, went to Capt. Robson's first-prize yearling bull, First Choice.

Half a dozen entries lined up in the ring for cows over four years, and a clear first was found in J. & W. Russell's red seven-year-old Nonpareil 52nd, bred by themselves, as were all the animals they showed—a cow which in our report of the Toronto show last year, we claimed should then have been first, but which was placed second to the cow which, shown by the same firm this year, got into third place. There is probably not a better show cow of the breed in America than Nonpareil 52nd; she has size and scale, symmetry and quality in high degree; so perfect are her lines that, cut off her head, and you have a parallelogram. She is in higher condition than a breeding cow should be, which is about the only fault that could possibly be found with her, and that is not hers, so much as her feeder's; but we are assured she is a breeder, and she is as active as a two-year-old. To onlookers it seemed to be clearly a question between Capt.

been considered in a class for breeding cows, as she is over five years old and has never bred a living calf, and withal she is patchy and uneven in her flesh. The decision was an outstanding object lesson on how not to be consistent, and how not to reward usefulness, and it was little wonder that as he left the ring, Goodfellow was a mad fellow. It was a long jump from Frieda to Centennial Isabella 36th. Frieda was never large, but she looks little sandwiched between two such mountains of beef as the first and second prize cows.

Six three-year-old cows competed. It was not a strong class, but the first-prize winner, the red Centennial Isabella 45th, is a very good one, smoothly fleshed and showing strong constitution. Crerar's imp. roan, Ballechin Daisy, won second, and Goodfellow's roan, Salem Stamford, third prize. Five two-year-old heifers made a fairly good class, and Russell's roan Centennial Isabella 47th was rightly placed first; the second prize went to the same firm for the roan Nonpareil 58th, and third to Capt. Robson's imp. Craibstone Baroness, who was shown in field condition, having nursed her own calf. Goodfellow Bros. had an excellent entry in this class in the red and white Lavender Lass, which many of the breeders considered should have had a place in the list instead of the second-prize winner.

The sensational feature of the Shorthorn class was the ring of fourteen yearling heifers. It is safe to state that never in a Canadian show were so many of so high an order of excellence seen together, and a prominent breeder and importer, recently returned from Scotland, where he attended the Highland Society's show this year, declared emphatically that the display of heifers of the same age at that ancient but honorable, yet up-to-date show, was not in it with the exhibit in this section at Toronto. The beauty of the class was its uniformity of excellence, which was so marked that it was with great difficulty that anyone could satisfy himself in picking for the best. There was not an outstanding first in the ring, for the reason that nearly all were first-class, and it



SOME TOPPERS FROM THE SHORTHORN HERD OF ANDREW GRAHAM, POMEROY, MANITOBA.

The two roans, sired by imp. Knuckle Duster, were first-prize bull calf and second-prize heifer calf; the red bull, second-prize yearling, and the red heifer, third-prize yearling, at Winnipeg Industrial Exhibition.

was largely a matter of taste how they should be placed. There were five prizes to be awarded, and though it was generally conceded that the judges selected the five best heifers, there was by no means a unanimity of opinion as to the order in which they should be placed. It was an interesting coincidence and a decided compliment to the skill and judgment of Mr. Watt as a breeder that the judges finally tied to two of his four entries,

first to J. & W. Russell, second to T. E. Robson, third to J. & W. B. Watt. The herd prizes for bull and four females under 2 years went, first to Robson, second to Watt, third to Hillhurst Farm. The latter herd was greatly admired by breeders, and if judged on the basis of value would have stood higher in the prize list, but the judges, of course, had to be consistent, and, comparing the awards they had made in the former sections of the class,