

Ryckert, St. Catherines; Henry Welford, Woodstock; John White, Georgetown; Craig, Grafton; Thomas Martindale, York; John Betts, Grimsby; John Miller, Pickering (son of William Miller, of the same); L. Thomson, Morley, St. Lawrence county, New York; Henry Talbot, Everton; Mrs. Ralph White, Cobourg; John E. Coase, St. Thomas; John Foote, Port Hope; James Kirkland, Ingersoll; George Roddick, Port Hope; M. Jones, Port Hope; John S. Armstrong, Guelph; E. Scarlet, Etobicoke; Hon. John Ross, Toronto; Thomas Stock, Waterdown; N. J. Galivray, Williamstown, Glengarry; Arthur Aberington, London; A. Fanson, Bowmaoaville; P. Welford, Woodstock; John Walton, Toronto; Samuel Hodgskin, Guelph; James White, St. Catherines; John Thomson, Whitby; J. Jennings, Victoria Square; James Metcalfe, Eglinton; Arthur Hogge, Guelph; John W. Yorkville, were among the chief exhibitors. From the extent of this list, and the countries with which all sections of the country were represented, the reader may easily judge of the universality and extent of the taste for short horns. The English breeders are constantly improving this stock, but it is the impression of our farmers that they fully keep pace with the English movement. Very soon, there can hardly be an unimproved animal to be found in the Upper Province, and the pure bred cattle may by constant renewals with English blood, be kept up to the highest possible standard.

### SHEEP.

The quality of sheep in Canada is also yearly improved by importations from England. Since the last show Mr. Simon Beattie, of Markham, and Messrs. J. and M. Kirby, of Esquesing, made additions to their flocks, the former from the stock of Mr. Thorpe and Mr. Robinson, of Yorkshire, and also of Mr. Sandys, of Nottingham, and the latter from Mr. Jardine, of Cornwall. Great risk is encountered in these importations. Mr. Beattie had a passage of ten days; his fodder was nearly exhausted, he lost several animals, and his sheep, Yorkshire cattle, and blood horse were brought to an extreme degree of weakness. His animals exhibited were in poor condition, but the thorough-bred was evidently a fine one, of *Irish Bird* blood, raised by the Earl of Howth. Mr. Beattie does not think that better sheep are to be had in England than in Canada, but that it is of the greatest importance to "renew the stock." The fleece in Canada becomes rather thin, but is not so plentiful as in England. Mr. Snell is the most enterprising breeder of sheep in the country, apparently, judging from the number of entries set down opposite his name. Mr. George Miller, of Markham, and John W. Yorkville, of Guelph, were very little behind,

however. Mr. Snell does not at present import, but buys largely from importers. Leicesters are the favourite sheep, but Cotswolds, Southdowns, Cheviots, and Merinoes had their advocates. The last named class is coming into very general use, the attraction of 20 cents a pound more for the wool than for that of the best of other breeds being a strong one. There were many entries in this class, Messrs. Jennings, of Cooksville; Miller, of Homer; Rymal, of Ryckman's Corners; Arkland, of Oshawa; Young, of Ryckman's Corners; Row, of Glenmorris; Messenger, of Cooksville; Alfred Jeffrey, of Woodbridge; and Joseph Peers, of Woodstock, being the chief exhibitors.

### PIGS.

The stock was on the whole fine, and considerable improvement was manifest over former years.

### YORKSHIRES.

Of Yorkshire boars there was a very fine display, in which Mr. C. A. Jordison, of Belleville, figures largely. Among the other exhibitors were Messrs. Samuel H. Reeves, of Derry West; Alfred Jeffrey, of Woodbridge; J. P. Wheler, of Woburn; and James Maines, of Brampton. There was an excellent show of Yorkshire sows, the chief exhibitors being the same as of boars.

### BERKSHIRES.

The show of large Berkshires was not very large, but it was choice and good. Mr. George Morton, of the county of Leeds, exhibited a very fine boar of this breed, bred in England, and several large breeding sows of superior size and excellence. Messrs. Henry Ede, of Leskard; John Davey, of the same place; Patrick R. Wright, of Cobourg; John Gibb, of Lindsay; Alex. Gerrie, of Ancaster, and William Wilson, Islington, were among the exhibitors.

A number of other large breeds were exhibited, those of Messrs. Jonas S. Baines, of St. Thomas; P. R. Palmer, of Thurlow, and Cunningham Hastings, Bradford, being especially worthy of notice.

### SUFFOLKS.

Of these small-breed pigs there were several fine specimens exhibited, some of them being imported. Messrs. Francis Winter, of Cooksville; Henry Battell, of Grafton; Simon Shunk, of Concord; Edward Arkland, of Oshawa; Peter Lyon, of Oakville; George Savage, of Burnhamthorpe; John McGlashan, of Pelham; Thomas Mills, of Albion, and Peter Mettler, Jr., of Pelham, were exhibitors in this class.

Of other small breeds about forty were exhibited, most of them being really fine animals. Messrs. John Malcolm, of A. Incourt; James Cowan, of Galt; Thomas McCrae, of Guelph, and Samuel Cameron, of Willowdale, were the chief exhibitors.