

card showing equal merit in three animals. The prize was equally divided between Mrs. Jones, Capt. Rolph and Geo. Smith, and three were made happy instead of one or two by the usual methods.

The ring for aged bulls brought out four animals of very fine merit:—Mrs. Jones' Canada's Sir George and Massena's Son, Mr. Geo. Smith's Nell's John Bull, and J. H. Smith & Son's Hugo Alpha, of Oak Lawn. The three first named had been first prize and sweepstakes bulls at former exhibitions here, and are known as amongst the most renowned show bulls on the continent. Massena's Son was last year placed above Sir George for some reason which no one could conjecture, except, as we said at the time, it was because he was the son of his mother; but Sir George secured a sweet revenge on him this year by being again placed in the premier-ship as first in his section and champion bull of the class, while his herd mate was left out in the cold without a place among the winners. Nell's John Bull, a rare good type of the breed, a bull of fine constitution and strong family character, a worthy son of his sire, took second place as gracefully as could be expected, but seemed to think, if he really thinks, it may not be always so. Mr. Smith's bull has fine quality of hair and skin, strong indications of constitution, and a general finish that made him a highly respectable third in such aristocratic company.

We have seen a stronger string of Jersey cows at the Toronto Exhibition, but the fact that the first prize cow this year was also the first prize winner in the same section for two former years in the last five, goes to prove that there has been no great change either for better or worse. Hugo Beauty, Mrs. Jones' model show cow, the first prize winner last year and this, as she was on two former occasions, and which has never but once been beaten, is a beautiful cow to look at, and we have seldom seen a more attractive cow, but we are not aware whether she has made a record above mediocrity as a butter producer. However, when such tests are not required in the show ring we must trust to appearances, and on this basis she is fairly entitled to the place she holds. Mr. Geo. Smith's Kit, which was, we think, deservedly placed second, judged on the same basis, is a fine specimen of a dairy cow, with a magnificent udder and well-placed teats, a light, stylish carriage, and should do good work at the pail. Dawes & Co. got third place for their Pride of the Willows, a very useful looking cow. The placing of these did not by any means exhaust the supply of meritorious cows entered. There was room for the selection of as many more that were good enough to go into first-class company.

The sections for heifers were all well filled with meritorious young things, and the prizes were widely distributed, but space forbids our going into particulars further. The herd prizes were assigned to Mrs. Jones, first; Geo. Smith, second; Dawes & Co., third.

HOLSTEINS.

The black and white dairy breed, which is also putting in strong claims to be called the "general purpose breed," were out in numbers well up to one hundred strong, and well up to the average in quality as compared with other years, but scarcely in as blooming condition on the whole as we have seen them in former years. The principal exhibitors were Smith Bros., Churchville; McNiven & Son, Winona; A. C. Hallman, New Dundee; W. Ellis, North Toronto; John Leys, Toronto; R. S. Stevenson, Ancaster, and H. Bollart, Cassels.

In the ring for aged bulls, which was a strong one, Mr. Hallman's Netherland Statesman, a model bull of the breed in quality, style and character, won the first prize, and later was promoted to the championship as best bull of any age, winning the silver medal. Mr. Hallman also won second prize in the same ring with his Royal Canadian, and Mr. Stevenson had a good third in his well-furnished and stylish Netherland Romulus. Smith Bros., of Churchville, Ont., had an exhibit of fifteen head. Most noticeable was the imported cow Cornelia Tensen. She is a handsome cow in appearance, and has had a very successful show ring record, having taken first and sweepstakes silver medal last year

and this. She gave 19 lbs. of butter in a week, and 14,184 lbs. of milk in ten months. At the head of their herd was Tirannia 2nd, by Prince Castine, who comes from ancestors rich in butter, as their records attest. Tirannia 2nd's dam made 22 lbs. 8 ozs. butter in a week as a two-year-old, and his grand-dams have made large records. From these two comes the young bull, Tensen Tirannia Castine King, who carried off the red ribbon in a large ring of good ones. Besides these there was Jongste Aaggie, who took third place this year and second last year. She is a typical dairy cow. Near by stood the large cow Marian, who has a butter record of 19 lbs. a week, and by her side her young daughter, who took the yellow card in good company.

J. C. McNIVEN & SON'S EXHIBIT.

This fine young herd possesses animals strong in the Siepkje, Tensen and Mercedes strains. The bull at the head of their herd comes from Smith Bros' Mink Mercedes Baron and Siepkje 3rd, as well as their foundation stock. Their bull is evenly made, with a fine silky coat. Margaret 4th not only took first prize this year, but also first last year. She is a handsome large cow, with strongly defined dairy qualities. By her side stood Lady Marrings 2nd and Maud Tensen, and a number of choice youngsters. They took first prize on their herd, as well as several other firsts.

SHEEP.

The sheep department was unusually good in every division. The entries were not only numerous but the quality of the animals was better than at any previous exhibition. The long wools were out in greater numbers, and the individual excellence of the animals was higher than at any show ever before held in America.

COTSWOLDS

were a wonderfully good class, perhaps better than in any previous year. John Parks, of Burgessville, Ont., showed eleven which were a well-bred, strong and vigorous lot. C. T. Garbutt, Claremont, Ont., showed three grand animals—a ram two years old and two large and good yearling ewes. All were well fitted and of very high individual merit. They were a draft from a flock of 60 head.

One of the finest flocks of Cotswolds ever shown at Toronto was exhibited by Mr. Wm. Thompson, of Uxbridge, Ont. The aged ewes had each reared offspring this year—one two, the other one. Last year they won second at the Royal Show of England, and first at Toronto and other leading Canadian shows. The imported yearling ram was a wonderfully good, thick, massive sheep, well clothed with a fine, even fleece. His legs were very short, and, like his head, were exceedingly well covered. Two imported ram lambs were good, but not in prime condition. One was a selection from the first and the other from the second prize pens at the Royal Show of England. The six yearling ewes were an unusually good lot. Four were first prize winners at the Royal Show, 1892; two were imported last year and fitted by Mr. Thompson, and were among the heaviest, if not the heaviest, yearling ewes on the ground. The four ewe lambs in quality were similar to the yearlings—very good. They also were first prize winners at a leading English exhibition.

R. W. Boyington, Dollar, Ont., showed a small flock, and H. Crawford, Canboro, Ont., a flock of eighteen.

J. G. Snell & Bro., Edmonton, Ont., exhibited seventeen head, all of the highest quality. The aged ram was a wonderfully good sheep, thick-fleshed and well-woolled. Last season he won first place at all the leading Canadian and American shows where exhibited. The four aged ewes were like the ram—unusually good and well fitted. They have not only been successful prize-winners in America, but were winners of Royal honors in England last season. The six yearling ewes were fit companions for the above, and not in any way behind them in quality or finish. Two yearling rams, three ram lambs, and six ewe lambs, all very superior, completed this exhibit, which was one of the best ever made by this well-known and justly-celebrated firm.

LEICESTERS

were more numerous and of better quality than on any previous year. In fact, this useful breed is rapidly coming to the front in Ontario. Nearly all shown this year were Border Leicesters, and as a class were larger, stronger, possessing better constitutions, and were better covered and better brought out than heretofore. Among the exhibitors in this class are some of the most finished breeders and fitters in Canada. Chief among these is Mr. John Kelly, Shakespeare, Ont., who showed twenty-seven superb sheep, all of which were bred by the exhibitor. Among them were some of the best animals ever exhibited at any Canadian exhibition.

The well-known flock of Wm. Whitlaw, of Guelph, were represented by twelve head of good size, quality and breeding, but not as highly fitted as some others.

Gaunt & Sons, St. Helens, exhibited a large and good flock, as did James Snell, of Clinton. Each of these were well brought out. The animals were unusually well woolled and vigorous.

LINCOLNS.

Never before in Canada has this useful breed made so good a showing. Monstrously large, robust and vigorous to a degree, superbly woolled and splendidly fleshed, the Lincolns have come to stay. Gibson & Walker, of Ilderton, Ont., and Denfield, Ont., brought out twenty-seven head in the pink of condition. Their yearling rams were good; one was of rare quality, as was their aged ram and aged yearling ewes. Wm. Oliver, Avonbank, Ont., was out with a draft of twenty-two—a very fine flock. Among this exhibit were probably some of the best ewes of any breed even shown in America. One of his rams just imported cost \$410 in England.

OXFORDS

were not as numerous as in some previous years, and lacked some of those wonderfully good specimens sometimes seen; but as a class were even and quite as good or better than heretofore.

Mr. James Tolton, Walkerton, Ont., showed twenty-one head, among which were five yearling ewes, Royal winners—a superior lot, full of quality and of large size. Their yearling ram was large and very good, the winner of first at the Bath and West of England Show, 1892. The ram and ewe lambs were, like the yearlings, of superior quality.

Henry Arkell, Arkell, Ont., also exhibited twenty-one, all but five of which were fitted by himself this year; a capital lot they were, and well brought out. One of his yearling rams was first at the "Royal" and throughout Canada last year. His fine two-year-old ewes were Royal winners last year, and in Detroit this year; also one won the silver cup for best ewe any breed at Detroit show. The four yearling ewes were winners in England last year, and first and second at Detroit this year. The ram lambs were alike good—one won first at the Royal, 1892. At Detroit this year Mr. Arkell, beside winning many of the class prizes, won the sweepstakes for best ewe any breed, and sweepstakes for best ten sheep on the ground.

Mr. Peter Arkell, Teeswater, Ont., was out with fifteen head, principally bred by himself. These were undoubtedly the best lot of Oxfords ever fitted in Canada.

SHROPSHIRE

were a good class, but not as numerous as in some former years. John Millar & Sons, of Brougham, Ont., showed twenty Shropshires, all imported except two ewe lambs, many of them were prize-winners in England the past season; the shearing ewes were the greatest winners of that age that were bought for America this year. One could not imagine anything more perfect than they were, but there was little difference between their quality and that of the other individuals of their flock shown.

The two-shear ram that won second seemed to be all that could be desired in size, quality of fleece, color, form, and general appearance, with a head that could not be surpassed, and was not approached at this show. The shearing rams that won first and second attracted attention because of their vigorous look, and the hardy condition they were shown in, not having been fitted