

thing, and that was, almost thoroughbred quality, in ton lots. At the head of the row, as they lined up before the judges' stand, stood the one entry made by R. Ness & Sons, the grand, black son of Lady Nellie and Lady Caruchan, a horse at once deep, solid and rangy, a combination of action, size and quality that would be a revelation to many judges. Next came Dalgetty Bros.' Provost, a big, deep, massive fellow, black in color, sired by Sir Werard and from a granddaughter of Prince of Wales, not so brisk in his paces as some of the rest, but a kind far too scarce in Canada for all that. Hodgkinson & Tisdale's stud was championed by their good horse Foremost, a get of Prince Sturdy, a sire whose grand qualities led to his being exported from his birthplace in Col. Holloway's stables to Scotland, the first horse ever sent to the British Isles from America to improve the stock there. Next in line was Graham Bros.' newly imported King's Crest, sire up to Time, dam by Lord Douglas. He is a rich brown in color, with white markings, flashy, handsome, and playful as a kitten. He was the choice of many of the wise ones on the rail for first place, a view of the case that could not look far out of place to anyone. There was not much choice between him and the other candidates from the Claremont stables, Royal Baron, dam Royal Queen, by the famous sire Mount Royal, recently brought to this country by T. H. Hassard, Millbrook, Ont. Closely matched in color, size and style, and both approaching perfection in conformation and quality, they made a pair of creditable representatives for Cairnbrogie. J. B. Hogate's entry, Nation's Pride, by Prince of Airies, looked like a good one, though somewhat outclassed by the kind of competition he had to face. Jas. A. Myles & Co. swelled the list with another good one, Royal Sturdy, sire Prince Sturdy, by Darnley, and next in line was a majestic looking Clyde whose faultless head and neck, massive shoulder and deep, round barrel, strongly coupled to an immense pair of perfectly turned quarters, could not fail to attract the attention of even a tyro amongst horses. And others that were no novices had been attracted by the claims of this one before, for it was none other than that often heard of champion, Cawdor Cup, sired by the champion Prince of Kyle, and sire of the champion Pearl Stone, who vindicated the family claims at Glasgow a year ago, when a two-year-old colt; Cawdor Cup was purchased by the veteran stock breeder Jas. Kilpatrick, for the sum of one thousand guineas; and credit for his presence in Canada is due to Mr. T. H. Hassard, of Millbrook, Ont. The list was completed by the representatives of the Smith & Richardson stables, of Columbus, Ont. These were the splendid class stallion, Baron Garty, sire Casabianca, dam by Royal Garty, and Michaboe, a massive light brown horse sired by the champion Hiawatha, dam by Loyalist. To place the honors in this field was a difficult task, the judges seemed to take a long time in placing a decision. The favorite with the ringside talent was Graham Bros.' handsome and active horse King's Crest, with Baron Garty for second, but Royal Baron also had his friends, and there were numbers who thought that R. Ness's rejected Hassard's Cawdor Cup, should not be outside the money. However, after many deliberations, the place of honor was awarded to Graham Bros.' Royal Baron, with King's Crest second, and Messrs. Smith & Richardson's Baron Garty third. All three

are horses of outstanding merit, but none of them were outstanding winners, and they were pressed close by some of the others outside the money. In the three-year-olds a very large field turned out to furnish the judges of honor. It was a large field and a strong field, and, like the last, a long field, too, but at length each judge had his man made up and Graham Bros.' splendid three-year-old Baron Stirling, by Baron's Pride, dam by McGregor, was placed first, an outstanding winner and one of the best that has yet been shown in Toronto showings. He is of splendid Clydesdale type, with style and quality to satisfy the most exacting. Second place was awarded to Yester, the winner in his class at the spring stallion show. He is a sweet, well-turned horse, with lots of quality in him, but it was the ringside opinion that the judges did not appreciate at par the claims of the horse given third place. This was the exhibit of Dalgetty Bros., Wigtown Lifeguard, a horse that has little to spare in style, but strong and well made, with good limbs and a nice way of going. Fourth place was given to Messrs. Smith & Richardson's Royal Dean, sired by The Dean, dam by Lord Lochian. A very promising colt, with quite a sensational way of going, is Bogside, shown by T. H. Hassard, of Millbrook, Ont., who also showed several other fine exhibits in this class. In the two-year-olds another of the fine importations that have been made of late came to the front, this time Carlisle, sired by Sir Everist, owned by Smith & Richardson, a black with white markings, rangy but thick, and with legs, feet and ankles of the right pattern, was placed first. Second place went to Graham Bros.' Fairy King, by Baron's Pride, dam by McGregor, and 3rd to R. Ness for his good horse Adam Bede, sire Baron's Pride, dam by McGregor. Quite a number of yearlings were entered. First here went to Graham Bros. for Baron Bertram, by Baron's Pride, dam by Flashwood. Second honor was awarded to Smith & Richardson's Prince Druid, by Baron Mitchell, a colt of the type that had been put forward throughout the show. The class for stallions, any age, brought out three from the Graham stables, and after some deliberation the honor was placed with Baron Sterling. He is a splendid specimen of the Clydesdale horse, and to say it all in a few words, is all that he ought to be both in size and quality. No other breed could duplicate him. The call for three-year-old fillies brought out a good string, at whose head the judges found a place for Graham Bros. Queen of Roxburgh. She is a heavy, well-made mare, and in the pink of condition and bloom. Second place was awarded to A. Atcheson's Royal Princess, a right good one, not oversized, but smooth and sweet, a good mover, possibly lacking a trifle in size of forearm and knee to be placed so high in her present company. Third place was awarded to Smith & Richardson's Madge of Hallcroft, a mare whose only fault might be that she is a trifle low set for her great scale, and who only requires better fitting to be a very hard nut for better company. It was also a trifle hard to understand the placing of the two-year-old filly Whisker, who so many to be an outstanding winner in Lady Minto, shown by Smith & Richardson, going to no place at all, with Hodgkinson & Tisdale's Helen McQueen first, and Graham Bros. Juliet, by Baron's Pride, dam by Prince Romeo, second. In the yearling fillies, the exhibit of Jas. I. Davidson, Balsam, Cairnbrogie Jewel, by the famous

McQueen, went to first place, with Smith & Richardson's Queen, of Maple Grove, sire Fullarton, a full brother to Cawdor Cup, second, and A. Atcheson's filly Lady Peerless, imp. by Graham Bros. This was the place for brood mare with foal by her side went to J. I. Davidson with Fair Nellie and, a mare of sweet quality, and second, to Hodgkinson & Tisdale's Helen McQueen, of Ililton. This mare's foal, by their Prince Sturdy horse Foremost, won first place for foals, and second to Fair Nellie's foal by McQueen. This mare also won for mare with two of her progeny, second going to Hodgkinson & Tisdale's Royal Princesses.

It was three grand representatives of the breed that came out to compete for the championship in the imported mares. Graham Bros.' Flower, of Dryie, a splendid rangy mare of heavy scale, did not outclass Smith & Richardson's two-year-old Miss Todd, by Carbiner, and Beauty, by Ornament, but was a good deal better fitted for the showing, and had it her own way. Championship honors for Canadian-bred went to Hodgkinson & Tisdale's Helen McQueen, sire McQueen, dam Royal Princess, by The Royal Standard, a nicely turned brown mare of good size and conformation. For championship honors over all, Graham Bros.' Flower of Dryie had again to meet the selected champion in the Canadian class. This was Helen McQueen from the stables of Hodgkinson & Tisdale, a mare of good drafty type and scale, but, to the eye of the talent, scarcely dancing in the same set with her competitor, and these were again at a loss to see where, after bringing the Claremont champion through so much closer competition, both in and out of the ring, they found room to disagree. But this is only one of the many freaks incident to the multiple judge system, so one judge had to be asked in to decide, and it took a veteran horseman, Mr. Robert Ness, of Howick, Que., less than two minutes to send another champion to the Claremont stables. From the prize for string of ten, Graham Bros. were the only ones who came out, and this premium was theirs also for the second time. The Clydesdales class. This was a yearling of a class all round such as cannot fail to prove of the greatest benefit to Canada, and it is only just to say that Messrs. Graham Bros., of Claremont, made the importation they did purposely to uphold Canada's prowess at the St. Louis Fair, but were deterred from taking the trip by the unfavorable reports of the climatic conditions prevailing there. Had they gone, it is safe to say they would have added one more rather unanswerable argument to the many still awaiting reply as to the supremacy of the Scotchman's draft horse.

SHIRES

The exhibits in the Shire classes were not strong, but some very useful horses were forward, whose fitness to help improve the draught horse of Canada cannot be gained. The ribbons were awarded by R. Ness, of Howick, Que. In the aged class the veteran horse from Wellington & Morris farm, of Fonthill, was the only entry, and he looks well, a good representative of the breed. In the three-year-old class there were four entries forward, and the first string of J. B. Hogate, the good brown stallion Barrow Albert, from Fonthill farm, and Sand Boy, was again exhibited by J. B. Hogate, of Weston, Ont. This made a good class, and Sand Boy was again a winner, with Barrow Albert second. The horses shown by Hogate were also