

matched and good individuals. They won 1st over Jas. Henderson's somewhat smaller, but neater, 3-year-olds by Storm Signal and Craigievar. The 3rd-prize team, a bigger but plainer pair, was shown by Mr. McKenzie, Youngsville.

GENERAL PURPOSE AND AGRICULTURAL.—This class, much like the foregoing, but a shade or two lighter, was also judged by Mr. Gardhouse. No stallions were shown here, but the brood mares were a strong lot of nine, that ranged from good, all-purpose mares to quite substantial drafters showing several crosses of cart-horse blood. There were also some excellent foals in this lot that should take their places in the draft-horse world as they come into usefulness. Bawden & McDonnell had two choice Clydy matrons, with foals by Belshazzar. One of these mares won 1st, and the foals 2nd and 3rd. H. Hanlon, Rayside, and Wesley Kent, Youngsville, had the 2nd and 3rd prize mares, and Mr. Hanlon scored 1st with his foal; also 1st on 3-year-old, also 1-year-old filly. The yearling section yielded a keen contest, there being six competitors, and all creditable. The pairs, also six in number, were just what might correctly be termed right farm horses—not too large to leave the walk, and still heavy enough to do all farm work with ease. The first-prize pair was an attractive team of Bold Boys, owned by Jno. McIntosh, Maplewood, much alike, clean in their joints, well muscled, and in good flesh. A snappy pair of grade Percherons won 2nd for Jas. McCartney, Thamesford, and Neil Bennet, Kerwood, won 3rd on a brown pair of mares by Glengary, of good quality and good movers.

CATTLE.

All the breeds of cattle on the prize list, both of beef and dairy breeds, were well represented except the Guernseys, and the judging rings were a center of interest not only to farmers and their sons, but to many visitors not engaged in agriculture, but who admired the splendid animals marshalled in the rings for inspection.

SHORTHORNS were out in strong force from the herds of J. A. Crerar, Shakespeare; T. Douglas & Sons, Strathroy; James Snell, Clinton; Goodfellow Bros., Macville; W. C. Edwards & Co., Rockland; G. D. Fletcher, Binkham; Jas. Gibb, Brookdale, and H. K. Fairbairn, Thedford; with single animals or small numbers from several others. The awards were well assigned by Mr. Thomas Russell, Exeter, Ont. As most of the animals shown were at the Toronto exhibition, and referred to in our report of that event, and as the prize list is published in full in this issue, we mention here more particularly those not at Toronto. A good class of bulls, three years and upwards, was led by Edwards & Co.'s smoothly-fleshed Gwen Allen, the 2nd-prize winner at Toronto the previous week, followed by Crerar's Imp. Capt. Mayfly and Fletcher's Spicy Robin. James Snell's red 2-year-old bull, Star of the Morning, came out in good form and headed the 2-year-old class. He is one of the very best bulls in the country, and was the strongest competitor of Gwen Allen for the championship. Imp. Spicy Marquis, a handsome, smoothly-turned yearling roan, of fine character and quality, bred by Mr. Marr, of Upper Mill, imported last year as a calf by Mr. W. D. Flatt, and shown by James Gibb, Brookdale, was the favorite for 1st place in a strong class, in which Edwards & Co.'s Marquis Heir was 2nd, and Goodfellow's James Stamford Watt, 3rd. An excellent class of a dozen bull calves were headed by James Leask's red Moneyfuffel Banner, the first Toronto winner, but only after a stronger struggle than he had there, Douglas & Sons, of Strathroy, being out with a strong and well-proportioned red son of their stock bull, Imp. Diamond Jubilee, whose got made an excellent showing in the young classes. The same exhibitors had a capital roan calf in the same section, well furnished in all his parts and a strong claimant for third place, but the judge preferred Goodfellow's entry for that position, and one of Fairbairn's for 4th, all of which, and several of those left out of the money, were fine young bulls. Goodfellow Bros. furnished the 1st-prize cow in the handsome and smoothly-formed red, Sowerby's Lass, sired by Mina Lad, and her dam bred by Mr. Linton. The same exhibitors had the 2nd-prize cow in the substantial roan, Salem Stamford. Crerar made an enviable record in the younger classes of females, winning 1st for his imported 3-year-old, Gem of Ballechin, a true type of the best of the breed, low-set, smoothly formed, full of quality, and with a breezy appearance; 1st in 2-year-olds, with the substantial and well-furnished roan, Ballechin Daisy 2nd, and 1st with the beautiful yearling, Gem of Ballechin 2nd, sired by Douglas & Son's imported Diamond Jubilee, and out of Gem of Ballechin. She is a credit to all concerned in her breeding and fitting, strong, smooth, well finished, and carrying lots of good flesh on her back and ribs. Goodfellow Bros. were 2nd in each of these sections, and Fletcher 3rd, with his clever 3-year-old Missie cow, Millerstam 4th, who, if fully fitted, would claim a higher standing, but she is doing good work as a breeder, as her handsome heifer calf proves. There was out a grand class of a baker's dozen heifer calves, from which the judge selected for 1st place one of Edwards

& Co.'s entries, the 2nd prize going to Crerar, 3rd to Fairbairn, and 4th to Fletcher. The first sweepstakes prize for best bull any age went to Edwards & Co.'s Gwen Allen, 2nd to James Snell's Star of the Morning, 3rd to Leask's 1st-prize bull calf. The sweepstakes female was Crerar's yearling heifer, Gem of Ballechin 2nd, followed by her dam of the same herd as 2nd, and Goodfellow's Sowerby's Lass as 3rd. The 1st herd prize went to Crerar, 2nd to Goodfellow Bros. The young herd prize (under two years), went 1st to Edwards & Co., 2nd to Douglas & Sons. The 1st prize for a bull and four of his get went to Douglas & Sons for Imp. Diamond Jubilee and his progeny, and 2nd to Fletcher for Spicy Robin and his offspring. The prizes for the best four calves under a year, bred by the exhibitor, were awarded: 1st to Edwards, 2nd to Douglas & Sons, 3rd to Goodfellow Bros.

HEREFORDS were well represented by the herds of W. H. Hunter, The Maples, and the F. W. Stone Stock Co., Guelph, whose Imp. Baronet was the 1st-prize 3-year-old bull and the male champion of the breed, Hunter's Young Actor being the 1st winner in the 2-year-old section and 2nd for sweepstakes. The Stone Co. led in yearling bulls, and Hunter won 1st and 2nd for bull calves; Hunter won 1st and 2nd for cows, and the Stone Co. the same in 3-year-old cows, 2-year-old heifers, and yearlings, Hunter being 1st and 2nd with heifer calves, and 1st for best female any age with his cow, Belle of the Ball, and 1st for the best four calves bred by the exhibitor. The Stone Co. had the 1st-prize herd of one bull and four females; A. W. Smith, Maple Lodge, being the judge.

ABERDEEN-ANGUS.—This breed was out in good force, selections being shown from the herds of W. Hall, Washington, who won the bulk of the 1st prizes; Wm. Stewart & Son, Lucasville, and H. Jones & Son. Hall had the 1st-prize aged bull, yearling bull, and bull calf, and the 1st in each of the sections for females except heifer calves; also the sweepstakes for best bull and best female, and the 1st herd prize. Stewart & Son had the 1st-prize 2-year-old bull and heifer calf, and Jones & Son 2nd and 3rd for yearling bull.

GALLOWAYS were well shown by D. McCrae, Guelph, whose herd was divided, one half being at Buffalo at the same time; also by A. M. & R. Shaw, Brantford, and J. Sibbald, Annan. McCrae had the 1st-prize aged bull, yearling bull, 3-year-old cow, yearling heifer, and bull any age for sweepstakes. Shaw won 1st prizes for 2-year-old bull, bull calf, cow over 3 years, 2-year-old heifer, the 1st herd prize, and the sweepstakes for best female any age. Sibbald had the 1st-prize heifer calf and herd of four calves under a year, and 2nd-prize yearling bull, bull calf, cow and 2-year-old heifer. T. Lloyd-Jones & Son, Burford, showed their 3-year-old bull, College Gambler, and secured 2nd award. A. W. Smith, Maple Lodge, was the judge.

DAIRY BREEDS.

The dairy breeds made a very interesting show, the Jerseys being the most numerous, and being represented by the largest number of exhibitors. The class was judged this year, as last, by H. G. Clark, Norval, Ont., who found it no easy task to adjudicate among so many good ones, and made slow progress, the class, in nearly every section, being stronger than ever before here. The herd of B. H. Bull & Son, Brampton, carried off the major portion of the best prizes, being brought out in fine condition. In the section for bulls over 3 years, the premier position was rightly given to Bim of Dentonia, the head of the Brampton show herd, W. G. Laidlaw, Wilton Grove, supplying the 2nd-prize winner in Prince Frank's Son, and John O'Brien, London, the 3rd in Benito of Highfield. In 2-year-old bulls, Peter H. Lawson, Nilestown, showed Pedro of Springbrook, a capital young bull, of fine form, quality and character, which was the favorite at the ringside, and to our mind should have been easily 1st, but he was placed 2nd to J. C. Trebilcock's entry, a good sort, bred by Smith & Son, of Highfield. In yearling bulls, the 1st prize went worthily to Bert Lawson, Crumlin, for Champion of Burnside, by John Bull of Grovesend, and out of Brown Beauty. He is a young bull, of fine dairy form, exceptional quality, superior breed character, and good constitution. The Brampton herd swept the board in bull calves with sons of Imp. Monarch, and there were a lot of good ones out. The sweepstakes for best bull any age went: 1st to Bull & Sons' Bim of Dentonia, 2nd to a bull calf of the same herd, and 3rd to Bert Lawson's yearling.

In a strong class of cows, after long consideration, the judge assigned 1st place to Bull & Sons' milky and creamy-looking Bettina of Brampton, with her model shaped vessel and neat form; 2nd to John O'Brien's Spot Cash's Ella, a cow of fine character and conformation and evident capacity for dairy work; 3rd to the Brampton herd for the almost faultless Sunbeam of Brampton, whose nicely moulded form and well-balanced udder might well have commended her to the highest place in the rating. The Brampton herd captured 1st and 2nd awards in 3-year-old cows, and W. G. Laidlaw had a surprise in

store in the 2-year-old class in his Clover Cream Cup, of Tennessee breeding, being by Kate's Harry, and out of Cream Cup's Pride. She is a model of the breed, and being in milk showed a wonderful development of udder of first-class form, with good teats. She was not only easily 1st in her class, but 1st in the sweepstakes competition for best female any age. Mr. O'Brien had a very nice heifer, which won 2nd as a 2-year-old. In yearling heifers, Bull & Son were 1st and 2nd, with O'Brien, 3rd. The 1st herd prize and the 1st for best four calves went to Bull & Son.

AYRSHIRES were well represented by the herds of Wm. Stewart & Son and Alex. Hume & Co., both of Menie, and the awards were made by W. W. Ballantyne, Stratford. Hume's Prince of Barcheskie won 1st in the class for 3-year-old bulls, Stewart's Hover-a-Blink 1st in 2-year-old bulls, with Hume's White Cockade, 2nd. Stewart was 1st and 2nd with yearling bulls and bull calves, and 1st for sweepstakes bull with Hover-a-Blink. In the class for cows over 3 years, Stewart's Jean Armour won 1st, with Hume's Imp. Eva of Barcheskie, 2nd, and Stewart's Lady Ottawa, 3rd. Stewart was 1st for 3-year-old cow with May Mitchell, and 1st in 2-year-old heifers with White Floss, Hume coming 2nd with Little Love, and 1st with his heifer calf. Jean Armour was the sweepstakes female, May Mitchell, 2nd, and Eva of Barcheskie, 3rd. The herd prizes went: 1st to Stewart, 2nd to Hume.

HOLSTEINS were creditably represented by the herd of Rettie Bros., Norwich, which was the 1st-prize herd at Toronto Exhibition, and the class was filled in nearly every section with first-class animals showing approved form and quality.

SHEEP.

The exhibit of sheep was never better, the number never greater, the quality never higher. In the last few years a vast improvement is noticeable in the condition in which the sheep that are placed before the judges are found. This is partly due to the natural improvement resulting from judicious breeding, and partly to a better understanding by breeders of the nature of the animal, and the better class of foods for promoting rapid growth and development of muscle and a better quality of bone. The increased demand, due to better times, has also stimulated the breeders to the endeavor to improve their flocks by importing fresh blood and using greater care in the selection of sires, that they may not be left in the race for supremacy.

In Shropshires a large number were exhibited, the quality of which would do credit to the Royal or any other show. John Campbell, of Woodville, showed a large number from his flock of continental renown that carried off a big share of the red tickets, including those for aged ram, shearling ram, aged ewes, sweepstakes for ram and ewe. Hanmer Bros. also had a goodly number on exhibit that were extra good ones, and also secured their share of prizes, including 1st for ram lamb, shearling ewes, and for pen of one ram and six ewes.

In Cotswolds a stronger fight was put up for supremacy, there being a larger representation of breeders in the class. The exhibit was a very creditable one indeed, the animals showing careful selection and fitting. The principal exhibitors were Messrs. Park & Sons, Shore & Sons, and A. J. Watson. The prizes in this class were pretty evenly distributed, the judge, Mr. W. G. Laidlaw, in a number of cases experiencing considerable difficulty in deciding where to place the awards.

In Oxford Downs, as in Shropshires, there were only two exhibitors, Messrs. J. H. Jull and Smith Evans, both showing a considerable number of animals, and each coming in for a fair share of the prizes. James L. Tolton, Walkerton, was the judge.

In Leicesters, again there was a fuller representation, the exhibitors being A. W. Smith, John Kelly, James Snell. The exhibit was a good representative one, the animals being in splendid condition and of nice quality, and the fight for supremacy was a keen one. Mr. Smith carrying off the major part of the premiums, although both the other exhibitors were placed well up in the race. John Wright, of Chesley, acted as judge.

The Southdowns were out in strong force, and the quality was especially good. The animals were in the pink of condition, and a letter or more uniformly good lot would be hard to find at any show, not a single one but what showed careful fitting, with none of them overdone. The exhibitors were Messrs. Telfer Bros., John Jackson & Son, and Robt. McEwen. The prizes in this class were also pretty evenly distributed, Jackson perhaps having rather the best of it. W. H. Beattie, Wilton Grove, was the judge.

The Dorsets were a splendid exhibit, Mr. John A. McGillivray showing a number of both imported and home-bred ones that for quality and substance could hardly be improved on. R. H. Harding also showing a number of both imported and home-bred that were jewels in their class. Mr. McGillivray carried off the major part of the awards, while Mr. Harding came in for a share in every class excepting aged rams.