

**The Cow That Pays Best.**

The question as to which is the most profitable cow is one that cannot be decided in any arbitrary manner. There are so many circumstances and contingencies to be taken into consideration that, after all is said and written on the subject, each man must decide the question largely on his own judgment. He will find it necessary to consider the nature of his farm, the suitability of his buildings and implements, the cost of hired help, if such be required, the proximity of a good market for the finished product, and many other details. The comparative advantages of beef growing and dairying would probably be the first point considered by a farmer who was just about to make a start in cattle raising. Men who have had long experience in either of these lines are not likely to change to the other line, involving, as it does, changes in farm routine, in variety and management of crops, in buildings and equipments, without a good deal of deliberation. That beef production can be carried on with a smaller expenditure for labor and utensils is perhaps true, and it certainly does not require the constant attention to business that dairying entails.

Next comes the question of breed. It will, I think, be generally conceded by fair-minded men that there is no "best" breed. Everything depends on circumstances. A breed that proves highly satisfactory in one district, may be found entirely unsuited to different environments. Only four breeds of beef cattle, viz. Shorthorns, Herefords, Galloways and Aberdeen-Angus, have attained popularity in Canada, and only the first mentioned can be said to be generally distributed. The others may be equal to the Shorthorns for beef production, and even surpass them under certain conditions, but the superior milking qualities of the Shorthorns, and particularly of the grades, have given them an unequalled popularity among our farmers. Where feed is plentiful, and the country not too high or broken, they are likely to prove satisfactory beefers, and in addition will produce a fair amount of milk. The ease with which good bulls of this breed can be procured for grading purposes is also an argument in its favor. Breeders of other sorts are comparatively few, and the opportunity for choice is small, when one desires to select a bull. In colder parts of Canada, and on the bare pastures of the mountainous districts, the Galloways and West Highlanders should prove serviceable on account of their hardiness and activity.

Among the dairy breeds, the Ayrshire, Holsteins, Jerseys, Guernseys and French Canadians are all held in considerable esteem. The latter have been almost unknown outside of the province of Quebec until the last year or two, but they are now attracting considerable attention. Under adverse circumstances, such as scanty pasture, lack of proper winter feed and care &c., they will probably yield a greater percentage of profit than those breeds which have for generations been accustomed to good feed and care. The Guernseys, though highly thought of in the U. S., have never gained a sufficient foothold in Canada to enable our farmers to judge their suitability for this country. Both they and their close relatives, the Jerseys, are especially adapted for the production of fancy butter or cream for a high-priced city trade, and the majority of Canadian herds of these two breeds are, I think, used for this purpose. The Ayrshires and Holsteins seem to be gaining in popularity among the general dairy farmers who support the cheese factories and creameries, and, with the dairy Shorthorns, are likely to divide the greater part of the dairy field between them. The Holsteins are likely to do better on the level lands, with lush pastures and plenty of winter food, while the Ayrshires should, I think, find more favor on rolling or hilly lands, because of their great activity.

But, while certain well defined differences may characterize the various breeds, yet it may be well to remember that there is much greater difference between individual animals of the same breed than between different breeds. A good cow is a good cow, no matter what her breed may be. Therefore let each man select the breed that he considers best suited to his conditions, and stick to it. Let him buy, or breed to, the available bulls of that breed, and continue to grade up his herd to a higher degree of excellence year by year. The practice followed by some farmers of using bulls first of one breed and then of another, is fatal to all plans of building up a handsome, uniform and profitable herd of grade cows, and that is what most farmers require. The average man does not need pure-bred females; in fact, he will do better with good grades. The breeders of pure-bred stock are, like the poet, born, not made. He must inherit a love for animals and an aptitude for handling them, otherwise his investment will prove unprofitable and all efforts a disappointment.—E. W. HODSON, Live Stock Commissioner.

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