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COMMISSION.

VICTORIA R.

Victoria, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland Queen, Defender of the Faith,

To Our right trusty and right entirely-beloved Cousin and Councillor William John Arthur Charles James, Duke of Portland. Master of Our Horse; Our right trusty and right well-beloved Cousin and Councillor George William, Earl of Coventry, Master of Our Buckhounds; Our right trusty and well-beloved Thomas, Baron Ribblesdale; Our right trusty and well-beloved Councillor Henry Chaplin; Our trusty and well-beloved Frederick George Ravenhill, Esquire, Colonel, and Temporary Major-General of Our Forces; Our trusty and well-beloved Jacob Wilson, Esquire, Representative of the Royal Agricultural Society; Our trusty and well-beloved John Gilmour, Esquire, Representative of the Highland and Agricultural Society; and Our trusty and well-beloved John Bowen-Jones, Esquire, Representative of the Central Chamber of Agriculture, greeting:

Whereas Our Royal Predecessors and We ourselves have during many years encouraged the breeding of sound horses, by the gift out of the Civil List of Queen's Plates, to be won at race meetings in different parts of Great Britain:

And whereas We have reason to believe that Our Bounty in its present form is not so effective as We could desire, and that Our object would be more fully attained if the said Bounty were bestowed directly for the encouragement of Horse Breeding:

Now know ye, that We, having taken into Our consideration, and being heartily desirous to do what in Us lies for the furtherance of so important a national object, have authorised and appointed, and by these presents do authorise and appoint you, the said William John Arthur Charles James, Duke of Portland; George William, Earl of Coventry; Thomas, Baron Ribblesdale; Henry Chaplin; Frederick George Ravenhill; Jacob Wilson; John Gilmour; and John Bowen-Jones to consider and report to Us the regulations under which Our Royal Bounty may best be expended in prizes, to be bestowed by Us at the chief agricultural shows in Great Britain for the purpose of encouraging the breed and maintenance of a race of sound horses or in such other method as We may approve.

And for the better and more perfectly enabling you to perform the duty entrusted to you, We are hereby pleased to declare that during the continuance of this Our Royal Commission We will bestow the moneys which We have hitherto expended in the gift of Queen's Plates at race meetings in Great Britain, and also any moneys which Parliament may grant in supplement of Our Royal Bounty, for such objects and in such expenditure, for the

purposes of this Our Royal Commission, as We may, upon your recommendation, approve.

And for the better effecting the purposes of this Our Commission, We do by these presents give and grant unto you, or any three or more of you, full power to call before you such persons as you shall judge likely to afford you any information upon the subject of this Our Commission; and also to call for, have access to, and examine all such books, documents, registers, and records as may afford you the fullest information on the subject; and to inquire of and concerning the premises by all other lawful ways and means whatsoever.

And We do by these presents will and ordain that this Our Commission shall continue in full force and virtue, and that you, Our said Commissioners, or any three or more of you, may from time to time proceed in the execution thereof, and of every matter and thing therein contained, although the same be not continued from time to time by adjournment.

And We do further ordain that you, or any three or more of you, have liberty to report your proceedings under this Our Commission from time to time, if you shall judge it expedient so to do.

And Our further will and pleasure is that you do, with as little delay as possible report to Us, under your hands and seals, or under the hands and seals of any three or more of you, your opinion upon the several matters herein submitted for your consideration.

And Our further will and pleasure is that Our Master of the Horse for the time being, and Our Master of the Buckhounds for the time being, shall be members of this Our Commission in the room of the said William John Arthur Charles James, Duke of Portland, and the said George William, Earl of Coventry, on voidance of the said offices by them and their successors.

Given at Our Court at St. James's, the Third day of December one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, in the Fifty-first year of Our Reign.

By Her Majesty's Commands,

HENRY MATTHEWS.

REPORT.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY,

WE, the Commissioners appointed to consider the regulations under which your Royal Bounty, and also any moneys which Parliament may grant, may best be expended, for the purpose of encouraging the breed and maintenance of a race of sound horses, humbly desire to submit to Your Majesty our First Report upon the matters which we have been directed to investigate.

Before we state, however, the conclusions at which we have arrived, we desire to submit to Your Majesty the various considerations by which we have been guided.

There can be little doubt that for a considerable period, the Royal Bounty, as expended in Queen's Plates, has failed effectively to fulfil the purpose for which it was originally intended. But it is only within recent years that any further necessity for encouraging the breed of horses, apart from the influence of private enterprise, has arisen.

Private enterprise was formerly sufficient to produce and to maintain a breed of horses in this country, which was unrivalled in the world; and that pre-eminence was successfully maintained until the Governments of foreign countries became alive to the importance of acquiring an equal advantage for themselves.

The foreign Haras, which were established for this purpose, in various countries on the continent created a most serious drain upon our resources in this country.

There is no record, unfortunately, contained in any of the official statistics of the number of stallions, which have been annually exported from the country, but it is a matter of common notoriety that year after year the United Kingdom has been swept by the agents of foreign Governments for the stallions and the mares best suited to their purpose, and they have been bought with public money, and taken from the country, frequently at prices with which it was impossible for private enterprise successfully to compete.

The consequence of this has been that, with the exception of the highest class of stallions and of mares, for the breeding of race horses, this country has been left, for the most part, with the inferior and often unsound animals, which the foreign agent has rejected, and the result has been a gradual but marked deterioration in the general breed, for which England, at one time, was famous.

Your Commissioners have therefore considered, in the first place, as the most effectual means of dealing with this evil, whether it was possible for them, by the formation of a Haras for stallions, to retain the most valuable animals, which at present leave the country, for the service and the use of the breeders of horses in the United Kingdom.

We have not proposed, however, any scheme upon the subject, for the reasons which we state elsewhere; but we desire to express our strong and unanimous conviction, that until some means are found of retaining in the country for the future such animals as we describe, it is vain to expect any marked or permanent improvement in the breed of horses.

The formation of a Haras ought to be accompanied, we think, by a scheme for providing liberal premiums for competition by stallions; and if this were done we believe that most gratifying results would be obtained.

The means at our disposal are, however, insufficient to enable us to provide concurrently for each of these two schemes, and it is doubtful if they would have been sufficient for the formation of a Haras, even if we had thought it right to recommend that course alone. We have therefore directed our attention chiefly to the latter of these objects.

We have received communications on this subject from a large number of Agricultural Societies in England, in Scotland, and in Wales, as well as from societies for promoting special breeds of horses.

We may especially refer to a deputation which waited on the Commissioners, composed of representatives of the Hackney, Cleveland, and Coach-Horse Societies, and to the evidence which they gave us in particular as to the large number of stallions and mares which were annually exported from this country, by which your Commissioners were very strongly impressed.

We have carefully weighed and considered in each case the representations which were made to us; but we are of opinion that to divide the grant so as to meet the claims of all the applications we received would so materially reduce premiums for competition as greatly to deprive them of their value.

Your Commissioners have therefore come to the conclusion, having regard to the time of year at which Your Majesty's Commission has been issued, and the amount of the funds at their disposal, that they will best be expended in the forthcoming year in premiums for thorough-bred stallions suitable for getting "half-bred horses" of general utility, to be offered at a show in conjunction with that of the Royal Agricultural Society, to be held at Nottingham on the 9th and 10th of February, 1888. But your Commissioners without committing themselves to any specific action in the future, desire to record their intention of taking further evidence, and collecting all available information with reference to every recognised breed of horses in the United Kingdom, before arranging a scheme of distribution for 1889.

The premiums to be offered will be called "Queen's Premiums."

It appears to your Commissioners that by a system of premiums, carefully guarded by adequate rules and regulations, some of the difficulties which have hitherto stood in the way of breeders of horses (especially small occupiers of land), in securing the services of sound stallions, may be removed.

We desire to recommend that for the future in the statistics of the export of horses, the number of stallions, mares, and geldings shall be distinguished and classified.

The scheme, together with the rules and regulations under which the premiums will be offered for competition for this year, will be found in the appendix.

All which we most humbly submit to Your Majesty's most gracious consideration.

PORTLAND.

COVENTRY.

RIBBLESDALE.

HENRY CHAPLIN.

F. G. RAVENHILL.

JACOB WILSON.

JOHN GILMOUR.

J. BOWEN-JONES.

5, Great George Street, Westminster, S.W.

December 20th, 1887.

APPENDIX.

DETAILS OF DISTRIBUTION FOR 1888.

1.—The show will be held at Nottingham in conjunction with the Royal Agricultural Society's show.

2.—These premiums are intended to subsidise six-sevenths of England and Wales, in accordance with the district map of the Royal Agricultural Society of England.

3.—Each district will constitute a separate class, to be styled "District Class." The district undertaken by the Royal Agricultural Society (*i.e.*, C for 1888) * being excluded from the operation of the grant.

4.—The distribution of premiums for 1888 in the respective districts for England and Wales will be as follows, viz. :—

Districts.	Counties.	
A.	Bedfordshire - - -	Three stallions at 200 <i>l.</i> each = 600
	Buckinghamshire - - -	
	Cambridgeshire - - -	
	Essex - - -	
	Hertfordshire - - -	
	Huntingdonshire - - -	
	Middlesex - - -	
	Norfolk - - -	
B.	Oxfordshire - - -	Three stallions at 200 <i>l.</i> each = 600
	Suffolk - - -	
	Cumberland - - -	
	Durham - - -	
D.	Northumberland - - -	Three stallions at 200 <i>l.</i> each = 600
	Westmoreland - - -	
	Berkshire - - -	
	Cornwall - - -	
	Devonshire - - -	
	Dorsetshire - - -	
	Hampshire - - -	
	Kent - - -	
	Somersetshire - - -	
E.	Surrey - - -	Three stallions at 200 <i>l.</i> each = 600
	Sussex - - -	
	Wiltshire - - -	
F.	Yorkshire - - -	Three stallions at 200 <i>l.</i> each = 600
	Gloucestershire - - -	
	Herefordshire - - -	
	Monmouthshire - - -	
	Shropshire - - -	
	Staffordshire - - -	
	Warwickshire - - -	
G.	Worcestershire - - -	Three stallions at 200 <i>l.</i> each = 600
	South Wales - - -	
	Cheshire - - -	
	Lancashire - - -	Three stallions at 200 <i>l.</i> each = 600
	North Wales - - -	
		Carried forward - 3,600

* District C undertaken by the Royal Agricultural Society of England embraces Derbyshire, Leicestershire, Lincolnshire, Northamptonshire, Nottinghamshire, and Rutlandshire.

5.—The distribution for Scotland (1888) will be as follows :—

Districts.	Counties.	—			£
		Brought forward	-	=	3,600
H.	- Aberdeenshire and District	One stallion at 200 <i>l.</i>	-	=	200
I.	- Perthshire, Fifeshire, and District.	One stallion at 200 <i>l.</i>	-	=	200
J.	- Ayrshire, Dumfriesshire, and District.	One stallion at 200 <i>l.</i>	-	=	200
K.	- Roxburghshire, Berwickshire, and District.	One stallion at 200 <i>l.</i>	-	=	200
		Total	-	-	<u>4,400</u>

N.B.—This scheme of distribution will thus absorb 4,400*l.*, leaving 600*l.* for expenses.

6.—Stallions shall compete in the District Class only for which they are entered.

7.—Every exhibitor by signing his certificate of entry makes a contract with the Commission to fulfil all the conditions upon which the premiums are offered, and in the event of his refusing compliance to such conditions will become liable to the forfeiture of the awarded premium.

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MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY,

WE, the Commissioners appointed to dispose of your Royal Bounty, formerly given in Queen's Plates, together with the money which Parliament has granted for the encouragement of horse breeding in Great Britain, humbly desire to submit to Your Majesty this our Second Report, in continuation of that which we had the honour to lay before Your Majesty on the 21st of December last.

In that Report we informed Your Majesty of the system of premiums proposed to be offered, and the manner in which they were to be distributed.

We have now the honour to report the result of the show held at Nottingham in February last, including the number of stallions exhibited in each district class, and the names of the winning stallions, together with the districts in which they have been placed and the number of mares served by each.

These particulars will be found in the Appendix.

Besides the stallions competing for "Queen's Premiums," the Royal Agricultural Society of England (with whom we acted) had 22 horses competing for their *five* 200*l.* premiums under similar conditions.

Of the stallions exhibited at the Nottingham Show, a considerable proportion were, on veterinary examination, disqualified on the ground of hereditary unsoundness. We were not, however, surprised that such should have been the case; and the fact that so many animals should have proved unsound forms, in our opinion, an ample justification (if such were needed) of the policy adopted by Your Majesty's Commissioners. In further proof of this, we would point to the great success in their various districts of the prize-winning stallions. An examination of the schedule will show how eagerly owners of mares availed themselves of the opportunity of having them served by animals of approved soundness standing at a moderate fee. In this respect, indeed, our most sanguine expectations have been fully realised.

In our former Report it was stated that it was our desire and intention to take further evidence before arranging the scheme of distribution of the grant for 1889; and although, owing to want of funds, it has not been in our power to examine witnesses and take oral evidence direct, we have called for information from the local committees in the *twenty-two* districts, and having considered their replies to the questions submitted, which almost universally approved of the system hitherto pursued, we desire to express our opinion that no change in the system adopted last year is necessary, and that it will be advisable in the ensuing year to follow on the same lines, and again offer premiums for Thoroughbred stallions, suitable for getting "half-bred horses" of general utility. It is proposed that these Queen's Premiums shall be offered at a show in conjunction with that of the Royal Agricultural Society, the Hunters' Improvement Society, and the Hackney Horse Society, to be held in London on the 26th February 1889, and three following days.

We are glad to observe that the Board of Trade has accepted our recommendation, and has distinguished and classified the number of stallions, mares, and geldings which are exported, and we would further suggest that it would add materially to the value of the statistics if the countries be given from which the imported stallions, mares, and geldings are shipped.

All which we most humbly submit to Your Majesty's most gracious consideration.

PORTLAND, President.

COVENTRY.

RIBBLESDALE.

HENRY CHAPLIN.

F. G. RAVENHILL, Major-General.

JACOB WILSON.

JOHN GILMOUR.

J. BOWEN-JONES.

J. HERBERT TAYLOR, Secretary.

5, Great George Street, Westminster, S.W.,

5th December 1888.

My dear Sir,
I have the pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2nd inst. in relation to the proposed exhibition of stallions, mares, and geldings, and in reply to inform you that the Board of Trade has accepted our recommendation, and has distinguished and classified the number of stallions, mares, and geldings which are exported, and we would further suggest that it would add materially to the value of the statistics if the countries be given from which the imported stallions, mares, and geldings are shipped.

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DETAILS OF DISTRIBUTION FOR 1889.

The show will be held in London in conjunction with the Royal Agricultural Society of England, and the Hunter's Improvement and Hackney Horse Societies.

These premiums are intended to subsidise *six-sevenths* of England and Wales, in accordance with the district map of the Royal Agricultural Society of England.

Each district will constitute a separate class, to be styled "District Class." The district undertaken by the Royal Agricultural Society (*i.e.*, D. for 1889*) being excluded from the operation of the grant for this year.

Stallions shall compete in the "District Class" only for which they are entered, and exhibitors may not enter more than one stallion in each class.

Each stallion winning a premium in the English district classes shall be exhibited (but not for competition) at the Jubilee Show of the Royal Agricultural Society at Windsor in June; and each stallion winning a premium in the Scotch district classes shall be exhibited (but not for competition) at the show of the Highland and Agricultural Society at Melrose in July, 1889.

Every exhibitor by signing his certificate of entry makes a contract with the Commission to fulfil all the conditions upon which the premiums are offered, and in the event of his refusing compliance to such conditions will become liable to the forfeiture of the awarded premium.

The distribution of premiums for 1889 in the respective districts for England, Wales, and Scotland will be as follows:—

District.	Counties.		£
A	Bedfordshire	Three stallions at 200 <i>l.</i> each	= 600
	Buckinghamshire		
	Cambridgeshire		
	Essex		
	Hertfordshire		
	Huntingdonshire		
	Middlesex		
	Norfolk		
B	Oxfordshire	Three stallions at 200 <i>l.</i> each	= 600
	Suffolk		
	Cumberland		
	Durham		
C	Northumberland	Three stallions at 200 <i>l.</i> each	= 600
	Westmoreland		
	Derbyshire		
	Leicestershire		
	Lincolnshire		
D	Northamptonshire	Three stallions at 200 <i>l.</i> each	= 600
	Nottinghamshire		
	Rutlandshire		
E	(See foot note)	Three stallions at 200 <i>l.</i> each (given by the Royal Agricultural Society).	= 600
	Yorkshire		
F	Gloucestershire	Three stallions at 200 <i>l.</i> each	= 600
	Herefordshire		
	Monmouthshire		
	Shropshire		
	Staffordshire		
	Warwickshire		
G	Worcestershire	Three stallions at 200 <i>l.</i> each	= 600
	South Wales		
	Cheshire		
	Lancashire		
	North Wales		
	Carried forward		£ 3,600

* District D, undertaken by the Royal Agricultural Society of England, embraces Berkshire, Cornwall, Devonshire, Dorsetshire, Hampshire, Kent, Somersetshire, Surrey, Sussex, and Wiltshire.

District.	Counties.		£
		Brought forward - -	3,600
H	Stirlingshire and District - -	One stallion at 200l.	= 200
I	{ Fifeshire Kinrosshire and District - - }	One stallion at 200l.	= 200
J	{ Ayrshire Dumfriesshire and District - - }	One stallion at 200l.	= 200
K	{ Roxburghshire - Berwickshire and District - - }	One stallion at 200l.	= 200
		Total - -	£4,400

N.B.—This Scheme of distribution will thus absorb 4,400l., leaving 700l. for expenses.

APPENDIX B.

Return of the number of stallions exhibited in each district class at the Nottingham Show, names of owners, and winning and selected stallions, with number of mares served by each, at the Royal Commission fee of 2l. 2s. 6d. or under, and at the owner's own fee.

District Class.	Number of Stallions Exhibited.	Owners of Stallions.	Stallion.	Served at Commission Fee.	Served at Owner's Fee.	Total.
A	13	{ The Duke of Hamilton and Brandon, K.T. Mr. Walter Gilbey - Lord Chesham -	{ Lion - Pelometer - Soulouque -	{ 55 50 86	{ 1 18 4	{ 56 68 90
B	11	{ Mr. William Steel - Mr. Robert Clark - Mr. Edwin H. Banks -	{ Blue Grass - Even - Moss Hawk -	{ 70 50 59	{ 50 110 —	{ 120 160 59
D	8	{ The Compton Stud Co. - Do. do. Mr. Chas. J. Fletcher -	{ Aerides - Huguenot - Westburton -	{ 50 50 32	{ No returns made. 1	{ 50 50 33
E	15	{ Lord Middleton - Sir Wm. Vavasour, Bart. - Mr. David Cooper -	{ Escamillo - Jarnac - Linneus -	{ 65 43 49	{ 21 6 4	{ 86 49 53
F	11	{ The Hon. F. W. Lambton - Mr. Wm. E. Litt - Mr. John Rees -	{ Conaglen - Q.C. - Scherzo -	{ 50 55 59	{ 1 28 19	{ 51 83 78
G	7	{ The Duke of Hamilton and Brandon, K.T. Sir Humphrey de Trafford, Bart. Mr. A. O. Haslewood -	{ City Arab - Prescription - Saleiman -	{ 57 50 51	{ 3 20 35	{ 60 70 86
H	2	Mr. G. W. Elliot, M.P. -	Bradgate -	36	—	36
I	4	Mr. Wm. Warren -	Royalty -	50	46	96
J	3	Mr. M. Hulton Harrop -	Polardine -	55	35	90
K	3	Mr. R. F. Trenholm -	Omega -	88	27	115

APPENDIX C.

Districts with committees who have superintended the local arrangements in connexion with the premium stallions during the season of 1888.

District.	Stallion.	Names and Addresses of Local Committees.
A	Lion	Mr. Robert Bond, Old Bank House, 6, Butter Market, Ipswich. Mr. Nathaniel Catchpole, Bank House, St. Mary Key, Ipswich. Mr. R. E. Lofft, Troston Hall, Bury St. Edmunds.
	Pedometer	Mr. Thomas Brown, Little Hallingbury Hall, Bishop's Stortford. Mr. Martin Buris, Elsenham House, Bishop's Stortford. Mr. W. Smith, The Links, Bishop's Stortford.
	Soulouque	The Viscount Valentin, Bletchington Park, near Oxford. Mr. George Cave, Merton, Bicester. Mr. George Fell, Aylesbury.
	Blue Grass and Moss Hawk	Mr. S. P. Foster, Killhow, Mealsgate, Carlisle. Mr. S. D. Stanley Dodgson, St. Bees Abbey, Carnforth. Mr. J. C. Toppin, Musgrave Hall, Skelton, Penrith.
B	Even	Mr. Thomas Bell, Hedley Hall, Marley Hill, Whickham, R.S.O., co. Durham. Mr. Clement Stephenson, Sandyford Villa, Newcastle-upon-Tyne. Mr. Henry Wallace, Trench Hall, Gateshead-upon-Tyne.
	Aerides and Huguenot	Lieut.-Col. George Best, Charlton House, Ludwell, Salisbury. Mr. James Flower, Chilmark, Salisbury. Mr. John Sawtell, Newton, Yeovil.
D	Westburton	Mr. Thomas Clark, Goodwood, Chichester. Mr. C. F. Field, Felpham, Bognor. Mr. E. G. King, North Stoke, Arundel. Mr. Richard Holmes, Arundel.
	Escamillo	Mr. William Darley, Burtonfield, York. Mr. William Garforth, Swinton Grange, Malton, Yorks. Mr. Frederick Reynard, Sunderlandwick, Driffeld, Yorks.
E	Jarnac	Mr. Edmund Harrison, Grimston, Tadcaster. Mr. John Nalton, Manor House, Copmanthorpe, Yorks. Mr. Brady Nicholson, Sturton Grange, Garforth, Leeds.
	Linnaeus	Mr. G. W. Elliot, M.P., Scruton Hall, Bedale, Yorks. Mr. W. C. Booth, Oran, Catterick, Yorkshire. Mr. T. H. Hutchinson, The Manor House, Catterick, Yorkshire.
	Conaglen	Sir W. M. Curtis, Bart., Caynham Court, Ludlow. Mr. Wm. Blakeway, Wootton House, Onibury, Craven Arms. Mr. A. R. Boughton-Knight, Downton Castle, Ludlow. Mr. J. E. Farmer, Felton, Ludlow. Mr. J. Hone, Middleton, Ludlow. Mr. C. W. Wicksted, Burway, Ludlow.
F	Q.C.	Mr. Augustus Ashdown, Talbot Chambers, Shrewsbury. Mr. A. P. Heywood-Lonsdale, Shavington, Market Drayton. Mr. Robert J. Mann, Home Farm, Acton Burnell, Shrewsbury.

District.	Stallion.	Names and Addresses of Local Committees.
G	Scherzo	Mr. Wm. J. Buckley, Penyfae, Llanelly, Carmarthen-shire. Mr. R. R. Carver, Wenallt, Carmarthen. Col. J. K. Howell, Boneath, R.S.O., South Wales. Mr. Grismond Phillips, Cwmgwilly, Bronwydd Arms, R.S.O., Carmarthenshire. Mr. W. R. H. Powell, M.P., Maesgwynne, Whitland, South Wales. Mr. D. H. Thomas, Derllys Court, Carmarthen.
	City Arab	Mr. Alfred Ashworth, Tabley Grange, Knutsford, Cheshire. Mr. Stephen Cawley, Priestland, Tarporley. Capt. E. H. Moss, Ravenscroft Hall, Middlewich.
	Prescription	Mr. Walter Mucklow, Elton, Bury, Lancashire. Mr. Thomas Smethurst, 1, Market Street, Middleton. Mr. James Whitehead, Green Gate, Edgworth, Bolton, Lancs.
	Suleiman	Mr. Peter Blundell, Ream Hills, Weeton, Kirkham, Lancs. Mr. James S. Fair, Estates Office, Lytham, Lancashire. Mr. T. H. Miller, Singleton Park, Poulton-le-Fylde, Lancs.
	Bradgate	Mr. George Bruce, 35, Market Street, Aberdeen. Mr. Rt. O. Farquharson, Haughton, Alford, Aberdeen-shire. Mr. John Marr, Cairnbrogie, Meikle, Aberdeenshire.
I	Royalty	Mr. Walter Marshall, Lochmalony, Cupar, Fife. Mr. Thomas Richmond, Hilton, Perth. Mr. James Thom, Leden, Urquhart, Strathmiglo, Fife.
J	Polardine	Col. Hay Boyd, Town End, Kilmarnock. Mr. J. H. Turner, The Dean, Kilmarnock. Mr. Fred. E. Villiers, Closeburn Hall, Thornhill, Dumfriesshire.
K	Omega	Mr. James Mein, Lamberton, Berwick-upon-Tweed. Mr. John Usher, Stodrig, Kelso, N.B. Mr. John Watson, Harelaw, Greenlaw, N.B.

APPENDIX D.

Schedule of Questions issued to each of the 67 Members of the various District Committees with the Analysis of the replies thereto.

QUESTIONS.

I.

GENERAL.

State the total number of subscriptions to the Thoroughbred Stallion covering in your District?

- a. At the Royal Commission Fee
- b. From other sources

II.

STALLIONS.

Can you suggest any improvement in the scheme of 1887-88, whereby the sum of 5,000*l.* only is devoted to Premiums offered for competition in the various Districts into which Great Britain has been divided for this purpose?

III.

Keeping in view the objects of the Commission, what, in your opinion, would be the class of Stallion (any breed) most suitable for your District, and the stamp of horse generally required?

IV.

Do you consider it desirable that any limit of age be placed on Stallions competing for a Queen's Premium, and, if so, what?

V.

MARES.

Give your general impression of the class of Mare sent to the Premium Stallion in your District, as regards size, soundness, quality, and age?

ANSWERS.

I.

For replies see Appendix B.

II.

- 20 cannot suggest any improvement.
- 5 suggest that the Stallions should travel.
- 14 suggest that the Grant should be increased.
- 3 suggest that the number of Mares served should be restricted.
- 8 suggest that the Value of Premiums should be reduced.
- 2 suggest that the Grant should be spent in Purchase instead of Premiums.
- 2 suggest that the 22 best Stallions should be selected and the Districts decided afterwards.
- 1 suggests that a deputation should select the horse most suitable for their District.
- 2 consider the Districts too large.
- 2 consider that the District Committees should have more power.
- 1 considers that no Exhibitor should show more than one Stallion in any one class.
- 7 make no returns.

III.

- 55 are in favour of Thoroughbred sires.
- 5 are in favour of not quite Thoroughbred sires.
- 2 are in favour of Hackney Stallions.
- 5 make no returns.

IV.

- 17 consider it undesirable to limit the age.
- 33 consider it desirable to limit the age (average limit 14 years old).
- 5 consider that the Vets. or Judges should decide.
- 7 consider that the Stallions should be certified stock getters.
- 2 consider that it depends on constitution.
- 3 make no returns.

V.

The quality of Mares sent appears from the replies to have been of so very varied a description that no general summary can be given.

QUESTIONS.

VI.

The Commission are of opinion that the whole question of Mares is of great importance. Can you therefore suggest any means by which, with their present financial powers, they could further encourage the supply, class, and quality of the Mares in your District?

VII.

Would you advocate, under existing circumstances of Horse breeding in Great Britain, a system of selection, by soundness, for Mares?

VIII.

Have you any further suggestions to offer upon the general question of Horse breeding?

ANSWERS.

VI.

- 16 cannot suggest anything.
24 suggest the offering of prizes at local Shows for Mares and Foals got by Premium Stallions.
13 consider that the present system will in time improve the Mares.
3 consider that a better price should be given for remounts.
11 make no returns.

VII.

- 31 do not advocate any system of selection.
28 advocate a system of selection.
8 make no returns.
(No practical remedy suggested.)

VIII.

- 10 suggest that Government should buy remounts earlier.
3 suggest that the service fees should be reduced.
7 suggest local Shows for Mares and Produce.
3 suggest that the number of Mares served at the Commission fee should be increased, and the total number limited.
3 suggest that the Grant should be increased.
2 suggest a Show in the North and South.
2 suggest that the Commissioners should send a Judge to report on the Produce.
5 consider that farmers' Mares should have the preference.
2 consider the service season in Scotland should be postponed a fortnight, i.e., until July 14th.
2 consider that the system of location should be revised.
1 considers that Thoroughbred sires should have a certificate of soundness.
27 have no suggestions to offer or make no returns.

HORSE BREEDING.

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ON

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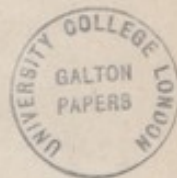
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held in the year 1888. The Commission has been instructed to report on the results of the year 1888, and to recommend the best method of applying the bounty which has been granted by Your Majesty for the purpose of encouraging horse breeding in this country. The Commission has the honour to report that the exhibition of the stallions entered for the Queen's premiums was held in London in the Spring of 1889 in conjunction with the Royal Agricultural Society of England, the Hunters' Improvement Society, and the Hackney Horse Society. The number of stallions entered for the Queen's premiums was 77, and the number entered for the Royal Agricultural Society's premiums was 13.

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MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY:

WE, the Commissioners appointed to dispose of your Royal Bounty which was formerly given in Queen's Plates for racing, and also the money which Parliament has granted for the encouragement of horse breeding in Great Britain, humbly desire to submit to Your Majesty, this our Third Report, in continuation of that which we had the honour to lay before Your Majesty on the 5th of December 1888.

We have now the honour to report that the exhibition of the stallions entered for the Queen's premiums was held in London in the Spring of 1889 in conjunction with the Royal Agricultural Society of England, the Hunters' Improvement Society, and the Hackney Horse Society. The number of stallions entered for the Queen's premiums was 77, and the number entered for the Royal Agricultural Society's premiums was 13.

It was gratifying to find that a larger number of the stallions presented for competition were sound, and the general quality was distinctly higher than at Nottingham in 1888.

The majority of the district classes were well represented, but in a few instances (particularly in the Scotch districts) it was necessary to select from the "reserve numbers" in the English classes the most suitable stallions for getting "general utility" horses.

The names of the winning stallions, together with the districts to which they have been allocated, and the number of mares served by each, will be found in the Appendix. It is satisfactory to note that in most cases the nominations have been entirely filled.

We have further to report that we have communicated with owners of mares who made use of the premium stallions during the season of 1888, and also with those who had mares covered by the Royal Agricultural Society's five premium stallions in the season of 1887. From the replies received, which will be found in the Appendix, it will be observed that while a few of the stallions which gained premiums have failed to leave as large a per-centage of foals as could have been desired,* some sires have left a very high proportion indeed, and the average of 60 per cent. may be regarded as satisfactory.

As it is important that these premiums should only be awarded to stallions whose stock-getting powers are satisfactory, we propose to exclude from all future competitions those premium stallions which, according to the returns collected, after due consideration of all the circumstances, do not seem to have been successful for breeding purposes.

We have referred in former Reports to the desirability of taking evidence on the many important questions affecting horse breeding in this country, and having received a grant for this purpose from the Lords Commissioners of Your Majesty's Treasury, we were enabled to hold sittings, extending over six days, during which time 32 witnesses were called, the minutes of evidence then taken are presented herewith.

The evidence thus furnished by veterinary experts, breeders, and others conversant with the subject enabled us to draw up a schedule of diseases, which may properly be

* We think it only right to point out that this result may be partly due to old mares and doubtful breeders being sent for service to some of the stallions.

held to disqualify a thoroughbred stallion for the purposes of this Commission. We also examined the witnesses on the general working and utility of the present scheme, and it was gratifying to learn that, bearing in mind the extent of the funds now available for distribution, the particular method of applying the grant which has been adopted by this Commission, and approved by Your Majesty, is doing much to stimulate and encourage horse breeding in this country. There was also a very general consensus of opinion that the present method of applying the Royal Bounty has proved far more efficacious in attaining these objects than was the case when it was bestowed in the form of "Queen's Plates."

It has come to our knowledge that one of the results of the present scheme has been that some high-class stallions, which would otherwise have been purchased to go abroad, have been retained in this country, and some of the evidence which we have taken points to the probability that by augmenting the grant, and by offering prizes for mares, a distinct inducement would be afforded to owners to retain the best young mares in the country.

The Council of the Royal Agricultural Society of England, which has since 1887 annually provided premiums for one of the seven administrative districts into which England has been divided, has given notice that the Society considers the time has now arrived when all the districts in the country should be provided for out of the funds of this Commission, and signifies its intention for the future to withdraw the grant which the Society has hitherto devoted to one of these special districts, this will consequently have the effect of crippling and diminishing the powers of the Commission.

Your Commissioners have for the past two years had 5,100*l.* placed at their disposal. Of this sum 3,360*l.* is derived from Your Majesty's Privy Purse, being the amount which was formerly given in the form of "Queen's Plates," and 1,740*l.* annually voted by Parliament.

In view of the unanimous opinions of the witnesses examined by us in the recent inquiry, we are convinced that an increase of the funds at our disposal would very largely augment the benefits of the work we have thus been able to accomplish, and we therefore recommend that the sum available should be raised to 10,000*l.*

We would further add that these views have been not only advocated by a number of the witnesses whom we have had before us, but are endorsed by the replies which we received to questions put to members of the various district committees who supervised the local arrangements of the scheme, which were summarised in our Second Report.

In the event of our recommendation to this effect being carried out, we consider that, without binding ourselves to any particular course, it would be desirable to increase the number of premium stallions, and to offer prizes for mares which have been served by those stallions, and prizes for young stock.

We would call attention to the absence of any reliable record of the number and description of horses in the United Kingdom, and would advise that returns containing this information should be prepared periodically.

We beg to avail ourselves of this opportunity to tender our warmest thanks to those gentlemen who have acted on the various district committees and who have so efficiently supervised the local arrangements in connexion with the "Queen's premium" stallions, and also to the gentlemen who came before the Commission to give us the benefit of their wide experience.

All which we most humbly submit to Your Majesty's most gracious consideration.

PORTLAND.

COVENTRY.

RIBBLESDALE.

JACOB WILSON.

F. G. RAVENHILL.

JOHN GILMOUR.

J. BOWEN JONES.

J. HERBERT TAYLOR, Secretary,

5, Great George Street,

Westminster, S.W.,

5th May 1890.

A. 1000000000

MEMORANDUM BY MR. CHAPLIN.

I have not signed the report, because—

I express no opinion upon the financial proposals which are suggested by my colleagues, which must be for the consideration of the Chancellor of the Exchequer; but I heartily concur with the general views which they express.

There is every reason to believe, from all the information we receive, that the work of the Commission has already been attended by most encouraging results; and that a great impetus has been given to horse-breeding in many districts of the country.

The services of high-class stallions who have passed the ordeal of the severe examination to which they are submitted are eagerly sought after, while the breed is improved both in quality and class. The number of sound horses is being steadily increased, and I am strongly of opinion that an extended operation of the system would be attended with great public advantage.

HENRY CHAPLIN.

APPENDIX A.

The following were the conditions under which the Show was held, together with the Details of Distribution for 1890:—

The show will be held in London in conjunction with the Royal Agricultural Society of England and the Hunters' Improvement and Hackney Horse Societies.

These premiums are intended to subsidise six-sevenths of England and Wales, in accordance with the district map of the Royal Agricultural Society of England.

Each district will constitute a separate class to be styled "district class." The district undertaken by the Royal Agricultural Society (i.e. D. for 1890)* being excluded from the operation of the grant.

Stallions shall compete in the "district class" only for which they are entered, and exhibitors may not enter more than one stallion in each class.

The following diseases shall disqualify a thoroughbred stallion for the purposes of this Commission; viz.:—

Roaring—whistling.
Ringbone.
Unsound feet.
Navicular disease.
Spavin.
Cataract.

Every exhibitor by signing his certificate of entry makes a contract with the Commission to fulfil all the conditions upon which the premiums are offered, and in the event of his refusing compliance to such conditions will become liable to the forfeiture of the awarded premium.

The distribution of Premiums for 1890 in the respective districts for England, Wales, and Scotland are as follows:—

District.	Countries.	
A.	Bedfordshire -	Three stallions at 200l. each = 600
	Buckinghamshire -	
	Cambridgeshire -	
	Essex -	
	Hertfordshire -	
	Huntingdonshire -	
	Middlesex -	
B.	Norfolk -	Three stallions at 200l. each = 600
	Oxfordshire -	
	Suffolk -	
	Westmorland -	
C.	Derbyshire -	Three stallions at 200l. each = 600
	Leicestershire -	
	Lincolnshire -	
	Northamptonshire -	
	Nottinghamshire -	
	Rutlandshire -	
D.	Berkshire -	Three stallions at 200l. each, given by the Royal Agricultural Society of England.
	Cornwall -	
	Devonshire -	
	Dorsetshire -	
	Hampshire -	
	Somersetshire -	
	Surrey -	
E.	Sussex -	Three stallions at 200l. each = 600
	Wiltshire -	
F.	Yorkshire -	Three stallions at 200l. each = 600
	Gloucestershire -	
	Herefordshire -	
	Monmouthshire -	
	Shropshire -	
	Staffordshire -	
	Warwickshire -	
G.	Worcestershire -	Three stallions at 200l. each = 600
	South Wales -	
	Cheshire -	
H.	Lancashire -	Three stallions at 200l. each = 600
	North Wales -	
I.	Stirlingshire and District -	One stallion at 200l. 200
	Pifeshire, Kinross-shire and District -	
J.	Ayrshire, Wigtownshire, and District -	One stallion at 200l. 200
	Roxburghshire, Berwickshire and District -	
		4,400

* District D, undertaken by the Royal Agricultural Society embraces Berkshire, Cornwall, Devonshire, Dorsetshire, Hampshire, Kent, Somersetshire, Surrey, Sussex, and Wiltshire.
N.B.—This scheme of distribution thus shews 4,400l., leaving 700l. for expenses.

APPENDIX B.

PER-CENTAGE of Foals left by the Royal Agricultural Society's five Premium Stallions in 1887, and percentage of Foals left by the "Queen's Premium" and Royal Agricultural Society's Premium Stallions from the half-bred Mares served at the fee of 2l. 2s. 6d. or under during the season of 1888.

District.	Name of Owner of Stallion.	Name of Stallion.	Percentage of foals left by the Premium Stallions from the half-bred Mares served during the season of 1887.
B.	Mr. John Goodwin	Gumbo	73
	Mr. Joseph H. Stephenson	Knight Templar	73
	Mr. Edwin H. Banks	Moss Hawk	73
	Mr. H. A. B. Wallis	Prescription	42
	Mr. James E. Platt	Storm Signal	50
The average per-centage of foals left by the 5 stallions in 1887 is -			61

District.	Name of Owner.	Name of Stallion.	Percentage of foals left by the Premium Stallions from the half-bred Mares served during the season of 1888 at the fee of 2l. 2s. 6d. or under.
A.	The Duke of Hamilton and Brandon, K.T.	Lion	69
	Mr. Walter Gibbey	Pedometer	76
	Lord Chesham	Soulouque	67
B.	Mr. William Steel	Blue Grass	73
	Mr. Robert Clark	Even	62
	Mr. Edwin H. Banks	Moss Hawk	45
C.	Mr. Isaac Clark	Jack Tar	34
	Mr. Henry W. Freeman	Khamsoon	64
	Mr. Alexander Taylor	Lancastrian	61
	Mr. James E. Platt	Silver Crown	79
	Mr. William E. Marshall	Tiber	84
D.	The Compton Stud Company.	Aerides	47
	The Compton Stud Company.	Huguenot	69
	Mr. Charles J. Fletcher	Westburton	59
E.	Lord Middleton	Escamille	71
	Sir Wm. Vavasour, Bart.	Jarnon	75
	Mr. David Cooper	Linnaeus	38
F.	The Hon. F. W. Lambton	Coruglen	69
	Mr. William E. Litt	Q.C.	54
	Mr. John Rees	Schero	63
G.	The Duke of Hamilton and Brandon, K.T.	City Arab	65
	Sir Humphrey de Trafford, Bart.	Prescription	55
	Mr. A. O. Haslewood	Suleiman	58
H.	Mr. George W. Elliot, M.P.	Bradgate	48
I.	Mr. William Warren	Royalty	60
J.	Mr. M. Hulton-Harrop	Polardine	49
K.	Mr. Robert F. Trenholme	Omaga	57
The average per-centage of foals left by the 27 Premium Stallions in 1888 is nearly -			60 per cent.
The average per-centage of foals left by the 32 Premium Stallions during the years 1887 and 1888 is -			60½ per cent.

APPENDIX C.

RETURN of the Number of Stallions exhibited in each District Class at the London Show (1889), names of Owners, and winning and selected Stallions, with number of Mares served by each at the Royal Commission fee of 2l. 2s. 6d. or under, and at the Owner's own fee.

District Class.	Number of Stallions exhibited.	Owners of Stallions.	Stallion.	Served at Commission Fee.	Served at Owner's Fee.	Total.
A	21	{ Colonel Frederick Barlow - - - Mr. Walter Gilbey - - - Mr. William Bardett-Coutts, M.P. - - -	{ Baldur - - - Pedometer - - - Truefit - - -	{ 50 57 50	{ 30 7 40	{ 80 64 90
B	6	{ Mr. William Steel - - - Mr. Robert Clark - - - Mr. Edwin H. Banks - - -	{ Blue Grass - - - Even - - - Moss Hawk - - -	{ 54 50 50	{ 50 73 13	{ 104 123 63
C	7	{ Mr. James Edward Platt - - - The Duke of Hamilton and Brandon, K.T. - - - Mr. Walter Gilbey - - -	{ Connaught - - - Lion - - - Pearl Diver - - -	{ 42 73 89	{ 0 0 0	{ 42 73 89
D	13	{ Mr. Alexander Taylor - - - Mr. James Joicey - - - The Compton Stud Company - - -	{ Lancastrian - - - Peppermint - - - Ruddigore - - -	{ 48 46 47	{ 10 10 —	{ 58 56 47
E	11	{ Mr. William Jackson, jun. - - - Mr. Joseph Shepherd - - - The Earl of Zetland - - -	{ Parsebearer - - - Sir Joseph - - - War Path - - -	{ 86 29 to the time of his death, May 7th. 54	{ 0 — —	{ 86 29 54
F	10	{ Mr. Tudor W. H. Thomas - - - Mr. Robert James Mann - - - Mr. John Rees - - -	{ Leadstone - - - Portnellan - - - Scherzo - - -	{ 47 49 62	{ 23 7 16	{ 69 56 78
G	11	{ Mr. William E. Litt - - - Mr. James Edward Platt - - - Mr. A. O. Haslewood - - -	{ Q. C. - - - Silver Crown - - - Saleman - - -	{ 57 50 54	{ 12 16 16	{ 69 66 70
H	3	Mr. Joseph H. Stephenson - - -	Knight Templar - - -	67	0	67
I	3	Mr. William Warren - - -	Royalty - - -	50	71	121
J	3	Mr. George P. Finch - - -	Eclipse - - -	50	10	60
K	2	Mr. Robert F. Trenholm - - -	Omega - - -	80	0	80
Total	90		Totals	1,391	403	1,794

APPENDIX D.

DISTRICTS with Committees who have superintended the Local Arrangements in connexion with the Premium Stallions during the Season of 1889.

District.	Stallion.	Names and Addresses of Local Committees.
A.	Baldur - - -	Mr. Robert Bond, Old Bank House, 6, Butler Market, Ipswich. Mr. Nathaniel Catchpole, Bank House, St. Mary Key, Ipswich.
	Pedometer - - -	Mr. John Cunn, Fish, Woodbridge, Suffolk. Mr. Thomas Brown, Little Hallingbury Hall, near Bishops Cleeve, Bedford.
	Truefit - - -	Mr. Martin Buris, Emswiler, Bishops Cleeve, Bedford.
	Blue Grass and Moss Hawk.	Mr. W. Smith, The Links, Bishops Cleeve, Bedford.
B.	Even - - -	Mr. G. J. M. Burnett, Little Kendals, Ebbw Vale, Herts. Mr. W. T. Coles, Bushey Lodge, Watford. Mr. Frank T. Oatway, Kingsdale, Stammers, Middlesex.
		Mr. John J. Bowman, 21, English Street, Carlisle.
		Mr. S. D. Stanley Dodgson, St. Bees Abbey, and Carnforth.
		Mr. E. Y. Parker, Carleton Hill, Penrith. Mr. Thomas Bell, Hedley Hall, Marley Hill, Wickham, H.S.O., co. Durham. Mr. Clement Stophenson, Sandford Villa, Newcastle-upon-Tyne. Mr. Henry Wallace, Trench Hall, Gateshead-on-Tyne.
C.	Connaught - - -	Mr. Henry Boden, The Friary, Derby. Mr. George Corbett, Derby. Mr. W. Cecil Salt, Willington, Barton-on-Trent.
	Lion - - -	Colonel Baillic, Euston Grange, Leicester. Mr. C. W. B. Fernie, Keythorpe, Leicester. Mr. W. W. Talbot, Skeffington Hall, Leicester.
	Pearl Diver - - -	Mr. Charles Clarke, Ashby de la Zoude, Lincoln. Mr. William Franks, Limber Magna, Uxley. Mr. R. G. F. Howard, Temple Bruer, Grantham. Mr. Edward Paddison, Ingby, Lincoln. Mr. C. W. Tindall, Estate Office, Scawby, Brigg.
	Lancastrian - - -	Mr. P. E. Crutchley, Sunninghill Park, Windsor. Sir Henry Simpson, Gordon House, Windsor. Mr. W. Tait, Prince Consort's Shaw Farm, Windsor.
D.	Peppermint - - -	Lord Apsley, Cirencester House, Cirencester. Mr. E. H. F. Dawkins, Manor House, Malmesbury.
	Ruddigore - - -	Mr. T. B. Miller, Cricklade, Dorset. Mr. Edward Bell, Gillingham, Dorset. Mr. James Flower, Chitmark, Salisbury. Mr. T. H. Miller, Osborne, Sherborne.
	Parsebearer - - -	Mr. Robert Lesley, Sinnington Lodge, Pickering, Yorkshire. Mr. James M. Mitchellson, The Hall, Pickering, Yorkshire. Mr. T. Petch, Barnes Farm, Skelton, R.S.O., Yorkshire.
	Sir Joseph - - -	Mr. A. Danhill, Market Weighton, Yorkshire. Mr. F. B. Jackson, Euston Grange, Skirlington, Hull. Mr. Frederick Reynard, Sunderlandwick, Driffield.
E.	War Path - - -	Mr. W. Booth, Ows, Catterick, Yorkshire. Mr. Christopher Cradock, Hartforth, Richmond, Yorkshire. Mr. George Southwaite, Holme House, Patebridge, Darlington.

APPENDIX E

District	Stallion	Names and Addresses of Local Committees.
F.	Loadstone	Mr. John J. Fisher, Dmaad, Haverford-west. Captain Grismond Phillips, Cwmwilly. Brewydd Alys, E.S.O., Carmarthen. Mr. Frank J. G. Thomas, Smithfield, Nantwrth.
	Portnellan	Mr. Augustus H. Ashdown, Talbot Chambers, Shrewsbury. Mr. M. Hulton-Barrow, Lythwood Hall, Shrewsbury.
	Scherzo	Mr. T. H. Thursfield, Barrow, Bromley, Shropshire. Sir Wm. M. Curtis, Bart., Caynam Court, Ludlow. Mr. A. R. Houghton Knight, Downton Castle, Ludlow. Mr. Wm. Blakesway, Wootton House, Onibury, Craven Arms. Mr. J. E. Farmer, Felton, Ludlow. Mr. Edward Hoar, Middleton Court, Ludlow. Mr. C. W. Wicksted, Burway, Ludlow.
	Q.C.	Mr. Alfred Ashworth, Tabley Grange, Knutsford, Cheshire. The Hon. J. E. Cross, High Legh, Knutsford, Cheshire. Mr. George Merton, Kinderton Hall, Middlewich, Cheshire.
	Silver Crown	Mr. Walter Morklow, Elton, Bury, Lancashire.
G.		Mr. Thomas Smedhurst, Market Street, Middleton, Lancashire. Mr. James Whitehead, Edgworth and District Agricultural Society, Greengate, Edgworth, near Bolton, Lancashire.
	Suleiman	Mr. Peter Blundell, Ream Hills, Weeton, Kirkham. Mr. James S. Fair, Estate Offices, Lytham. Mr. T. H. Miller, Singleton Park, Poulton-le-Fylde.
H.	Knight Templar	Mr. A. Anderson, the Home Farm, Kippencross, Dunblane. Mr. Thomas Hume, Auctioneer, Falkirk. Mr. Donald Fisher, Jellyholm Farm, Alloa, N.B.
I.	Royalty	Mr. John Bell, Stenton, St. Monance, N.B. Mr. James Thom, Loden, Urquhart, Gateside, Fife. Mr. William Tod, East Brackley, Kinross, N.B.
J.	Eclipse	Colonel Hay Boyd, Town End, Kilmar-nock. Mr. John H. Dickson, Dalston, Thornhill, Dumfriesshire. Mr. J. Harling Turner, The Dene, Kilmar-nock. Mr. Fred. E. Villiers, Closeburn Hall, Thornhill, Dumfriesshire.
K.	Omega	Mr. James Mein, Lamberton, Berwick-on-Tweed. Mr. John Usher, Stadrig, Kils, N.B. Mr. John Watson, Harslaw, Westruther, Berwickshire, N.B.

COPY of LETTER received from the Council of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons in reply to an expressed request from the Royal Commission on Horse Breeding that the Council would confer with the members of the Veterinary Profession, and, if possible, to define what defects in a horse for breeding purposes shall be regarded as constituting hereditary disease.

Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons,
10, Red Lion Square, W.C.
February 1, 1889.

SIR,

I AM directed by the President of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons to inform you that, in accordance with the request contained in your letter of the 23rd June last, the Council of the College communicated with the members of the Veterinary Profession residing in Great Britain with the view of obtaining an expression of opinion as to the diseases which render an animal (stallion or mare) unfit for stud purposes.

Having considered the evidence which has been laid before them, the Council of the College are of opinion that the following diseases shall be deemed a legitimate reason for disqualification:—

Roaring—whistling.
Sidebone.
Ringbone.
Navicular disease.
Curb.
Bone spavin.
Bog spavin.
Grease.
Shivering.
Cataract.

The Council also consider that under certain circumstances the under-mentioned diseases shall be deemed to justify the rejection of an animal for breeding purposes:—

Splint.
Stringhalt.
Weak feet.
Contracted feet.

Bursal enlargements (such as thoropin and windgalls).

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
(Signed) A. W. HILL,

The Secretary,
Royal Commission on Horse Breeding,
6, Great George Street, Westminster, S.W.

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ROYAL COMMISSION.

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Victoria, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland Queen, Defender of the Faith,—

To Our Right Trusty and Right Entirely-beloved Cousin and Councillor, William John Arthur Charles James, Duke of Portland; and Our Right Trusty and Right Well-beloved Cousin and Councillor, George William, Earl of Coventry, Greeting!

Whereas We did by Warrant, under Our Royal Sign Manual, bearing date the third day of December, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, appoint "Our Right Trusty and Right Entirely-beloved Cousin and Councillor, William John Arthur Charles James, Duke of Portland, Master of Our Horse," and "Our Right Trusty and Right Well-beloved Cousin and Councillor, George William, Earl of Coventry, Master of Our Buckhounds," together with the several Gentlemen therein named, or any three or more of them, to be Our Commissioners to consider and report to Us the regulations under which Our Royal Bounty for the encouragement for the breeding of sound horses, instead of taking the form of Queen's Plates at race meetings, may best be expended in prizes to be bestowed by Us at the chief Agricultural Shows in Great Britain, or in such other method as We may approve:

And whereas the said William John Arthur Charles James, Duke of Portland, and George William, Earl of Coventry, have, upon their avoidance of the Offices of Master of Our Horse, and Master of Our Buckhounds respectively, ceased to serve upon the said Commission; and it has been represented unto Us that it is the unanimous wish of their former colleagues that they should again be empowered to act as Commissioners, and that it would be to the advantage of the Public Service that they should be re-appointed:

Now know ye, that We, reposing great trust and confidence in your zeal, discretion, and ability, have authorised and appointed, and do by these presents authorise and appoint you the said William John Arthur Charles James, Duke of Portland, and George William, Earl of Coventry, to be Commissioners for the purpose aforesaid, in addition to and together with the present members of the said Commission.

Given at Our Court at Saint James's the first day of September one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two, in the fifty-sixth year of Our Reign.

By Her Majesty's Commands,

(Signed) H. H. ASQUITH.

FOURTH REPORT

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION

ON

HORSE BREEDING.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY:

WE, the Commissioners appointed to dispose of Your Royal Bounty, which was formerly given in Queen's Plates for racing, and also the money which Parliament has granted for the encouragement of horse breeding in Great Britain, humbly desire to submit to Your Majesty this our Fourth Report, in continuation of that which we had the honour to lay before Your Majesty on the 5th of May 1890.

Since we had the honour of presenting our last Report, we have held three shows in London during the years 1890, 1891, and 1892, at which the Queen's premiums were awarded, and which were held in conjunction with the Royal Agricultural Society of England, the Hunters' Improvement Society, and the Hackney Horse Society. The number of stallions entered has been satisfactory and we have been enabled to select suitable horses out of those exhibited to locate in the various districts in England, Wales, and Scotland.

The number of unsound horses continues to bear a large proportion to those exhibited, but it is gratifying to find that the breeders of horses throughout the country are very ready to avail themselves of the advantages which this Commission is enabled to offer, by locating in the districts stallions which have passed a strict veterinary examination.

The subject of veterinary examination has on various occasions exercised our most deep and earnest consideration, and we are endeavouring to formulate a scheme which we trust will ensure more consistency in these decisions than that hitherto adopted.

We have thoroughly discussed the question of allowing stallions which have attained a certain age, and have been passed a certain number of times by our veterinary inspectors, to be exempt from further veterinary examination when presented again for competition, but we decline to adopt any such modification, as, from our experience, we are aware that hereditary diseases are occasionally developed at various stages of a horse's life.

Since our last Report was presented we have considered it to be to the interest of breeders to raise the age at which thorough-bred stallions shall be eligible to compete for the Queen's premiums from three to four years old.

The per-centage of foals left by the stallions is, we venture to think, satisfactory. In one instance, however, on account of the small number of foals left, your Commissioners have deemed it desirable to exclude a stallion from further competing for the premiums.

It is very gratifying to observe the success which attends the exhibition of the stock of the premium stallions when coming into competition with the stock of other horses at the summer meetings of the different agricultural societies.

The Royal Agricultural Society of England, which has hitherto given three premiums of 200*l.* each for stallions, in one of the English districts, has discontinued this grant. To provide for this withdrawal we feel that we have no alternative but to reduce the value of the premiums hitherto offered. We believe, however, that even at the reduced amount we shall still be able to secure the same class of stallions which have been winning up to the present time.

F. G. JOHN

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J. HERBERT TAYLOR, Secretary,
15, Great George Street,
Westminster, S.W.,
9th February 1893.

APPENDIX A.

The following are the Conditions under which the Shows in the Spring of the years 1891 and 1892 were held (those for 1890 forming an Appendix in the last Report), together with the Details of Distribution for those years:—

The shows were held in London in conjunction with the Royal Agricultural Society of England, and the Hunters' Improvement and Hackney Horse Societies.

The Queen's premiums, offered at these shows, provide for six-sevenths of England and Wales, in accordance with the district map of the Royal Agricultural Society of England.

Each district constitutes a separate class. The district undertaken by the Royal Agricultural Society (i.e., district E for 1891 and district F for 1892) being excluded for the respective years from the operation of the grant.

Twenty-five equal premiums, consisting each of 200*l.*, being offered for thoroughbred stallions (four years old and upwards) for England, Wales, and Scotland.

Each stallion winning a premium shall serve not less than 50 half-bred mares, if required, during the season, and shall stand or travel at the owner's option in the district for which he is exhibited, at a fee not exceeding 4*l.* for each mare and 2*s.* 6*d.* for the groom.

Stallions shall compete in the district class only for which they are entered, and exhibitors may not enter more than one stallion in each class.

A stallion which has won four Queen's premiums in the same district class shall be ineligible for entry again in the same class, but shall be eligible for any other district class.

The following diseases shall disqualify a thoroughbred stallion for the purposes of this Commission, viz.:—

Roaring—whistling.
Ringbone.
Unsound feet.
Navicular disease.
Spavin.
Cataract.

The season of service commences:—

For England, on March 20th and terminates on July 20th.

For Scotland, on April 2nd and terminates on July 20th.

The Distribution of Premiums for 1891 and 1892, in the respective Districts for England, Wales, and Scotland, was as follows:

District Class.	Counties.	—	District Class.	Counties.	—
A	Bedfordshire	Three stallions at 200 <i>l.</i> each.	E	Yorkshire	Three stallions at 200 <i>l.</i> each. (This district was provided for by the Royal Agricultural Society of England in the year 1891.)
	Buckinghamshire				
	Cambridgeshire				
	Essex				
	Hertfordshire				
	Huntingdonshire				
	Middlesex				
	Norfolk				
B	Oxfordshire	Three stallions at 200 <i>l.</i> each.	F	Gloucestershire	Three stallions at 200 <i>l.</i> each. (This district was provided for by the Royal Agricultural Society of England in the year 1892.)
	Suffolk			Herefordshire	
	Cumberland			Monmouthshire	
	Durham			Shropshire	
C	Northumberland	Three stallions at 200 <i>l.</i> each.	G	Staffordshire	Three stallions at 200 <i>l.</i> each.
	Westmoreland			Warwickshire	
	Derbyshire			Worcestershire	
	Leicestershire			South Wales	
D	Lincolnshire	Three stallions at 200 <i>l.</i> each.	H	Cheshire	Three stallions at 200 <i>l.</i> each.
	Northamptonshire			Lancashire	
	Nottinghamshire			North Wales	
	Rutlandshire				
	Berkshire	Three stallions at 200 <i>l.</i> each.	I	Stirlingshire and district	One stallion at 200 <i>l.</i>
	Cornwall			Perthshire and district	
	Devonshire				
	Dorsetshire				
	Hampshire		J	Ayrshire and district	One stallion at 200 <i>l.</i>
	Kent				
	Somersetshire				
	Surrey				
	Sussex	Three stallions at 200 <i>l.</i> each.	K	Mersey, Nairn, and Band Shires	One stallion at 200 <i>l.</i>
	Wiltshire				

This scheme of distribution thus absorbs, from the funds at the disposal of the Commission, 4,400*l.* per annum, leaving 700*l.* for expenses.

APPENDIX B.

PER-CENTAGE of FOALS left by the "QUEEN'S PREMIUM" and ROYAL AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY'S PREMIUM STALLIONS from the Half-bred Mares served during the SEASONS of 1889, 1890, and 1891.

SEASON 1889.

District.	Name of Owner of Stallion.	Name of Stallion.	Per-centage of Foals from Half-bred Mares served during the Season of 1889.
A	Colonel Frederick Barlow	Baldur	33
	Mr. Walter Gilbey	Pedometer	46
	Mr. Wm. Bardett-Coutts, M.P.	Truefit	62
B	Mr. William Steel	Blue Grass	79
	Mr. Robert Clark	Even	57
	Mr. Edwin Hodge Banks	Moss Hawk	77
C	Mr. James Edward Platt	Connought	46
	The Duke of Hamilton and Brandon, K.T.	Lion	64
	Mr. Walter Gilbey	Pearl Diver	54
D	Mr. Alexander Taylor	Lancastrian	52
	Mr. James Jeacey	Peppermint	58
	The Compton Stud Company	Buldigore	49
E	Mr. William Jackson	Parsebearer	71
	Mr. Joseph Shepherd	Sir Joseph	38 (died in the middle of the season).
	The Earl of Zetland	War Path	59
F	Mr. Tudor Vaughan Howell Thomas	Loadstone	56
	Mr. Robert James Mann	Portneilian	66
	Mr. John Rees	Scherzo	53
G	Mr. William Edwin Litt	Q.C.	35
	Mr. James Edward Platt	Silver Crown	60
	Mr. Albert Octavius Haslewood	Suleiman	65
H	Mr. Joseph Henry Stephenson	Knight Templar	64
I	Mr. William Warren	Royalty	47
J	Mr. George Perkins Finch	Eclipse	54
K	Mr. Robert Francis Trenholm	Omega	47
The average per-centage of foals left by the 25 stallions in 1889			56

SEASON 1890.

District.	Name of Owner of Stallion.	Name of Stallion.	Per-centage of Foals from Half-bred Mares served during the Season of 1890.
A	Mr. Walter Gilbey	Pearl Diver	64
	Mr. Leopold de Rothschild	Roswal	57
	Mr. Wm. Bardett-Coutts, M.P.	Truefit	54
B	Mr. Nathaniel Clark	Even	56
	The Earl of Durham	Glendale	62
	Mr. Edwin Hodge Banks	Moss Hawk	66
C	The Earl of Lonsdale	Blue Blood	71
	Mr. James Edward Platt	Connought	62
	Mr. Albert Octavius Haslewood	Suleiman	58
D	Mr. George Perkins Finch	Eclipse	57
	Mr. Isaac Clark	Jack Tar	35
	Mr. Alexander Taylor	Lancastrian	49
E	Mr. Joseph Henry Stephenson	Knight Templar	69
	Sir Robert Jardine, Bt., M.P.	Reveller	43
	Lord Middleton	Spectro Lord	63
F	Mr. Thomas Carr	Crom-a-bee	81
	Mr. John Rees	Scherzo	62
	Mr. Gilbert Leigh Abbot	Tomahawk	50

SEASON 1890—continued.

District.	Name of Owner of Stallion.	Name of Stallion.	Per-centage of Foals from Half-bred Mares served during the Season of 1890.
G	Mr. Charles Adams Kemble -	Sam Kheen -	76
	Mr. James Edward Platt -	Silver Crown -	69
	Mr. John Rees -	Snowdown -	48
H	Mr. Robert James Mann -	Peppermill -	44
I	Mr. William Warren -	Royalty -	68
J	Mr. David Stephenson -	The Muletoer -	70
K	Mr. William Wilson -	Sir Harry -	43
The average per-centage of foals left by the 25 stallions in 1890			59

SEASON 1891.

District.	Name of Owner of Stallion.	Name of Stallion.	Per-centage of Foals from Half-bred Mares served during the Season of 1891.
A	Mr. Alexander Fraser -	Ivanhoe -	71
	Mr. E. Guy Fenwick -	M.P. -	72
	Mr. Walter Gilbey -	Pearl Diver -	58
B	Mr. William Steel -	Blue Grass -	60
	Mr. Nathaniel Clark -	Even -	63
	Mrs. G. M. Sawrey Cookson -	Prestonpans -	68
C	Mr. James Martin -	Blue Boy -	51
	Mr. Walter Hugh Rawnsley -	Peppermill -	43
	Mr. Albert Octavius Haslewood -	Suleiman -	63
D	Mr. William Henry Jenner Hogg -	Homely -	51
	Mr. Alexander Taylor -	Leicesterian -	54
	The Compton Stud Company -	Marion -	67
E	Mr. Thomas Carr -	Crom-a-boo -	81
	Mr. David Cooper -	Linnaeus -	68
	Mr. Edwin Hodge Banks -	Moss Hawk -	71
F	Mr. Eusebius Gustavus Crowhurst -	Just-in-Time -	59
	Lord Tredegar -	Lord Molynoo -	60
	Mr. Gilbert Leigh Abbot -	Tomahawk -	44
G	Mr. Peregrine Percy Pratt -	Eglamore -	68
	Mr. Randle Cooke -	King Alfred -	41
	Mr. William Warren -	Royalty -	66
H	Mr. Albert Octavius Haslewood -	Ben Alder -	52
I	Mr. Alexander Sherratt -	Donald Caird -	56
J	Messrs. David Stephenson and Hutchison -	The Muletoer -	55
K	Mr. William Wilson -	Sir Harry -	36
The average per-centage of foals left by the 25 stallions in 1891			59

APPENDIX C.

RETURN of the NUMBER of STALLIONS exhibited in each DISTRICT CLASS at the LONDON SHOWS in the years 1890, 1891, and 1892. NAMES of OWNERS, and winning and selected STALLIONS, with NUMBER of MARES served by each at the Royal Commission Fee of 2l. 2s. 6d. or under, and at the Owner's own Fee; together with the NAMES and ADDRESSES of the DISTRICT COMMITTEES.

1890.

District Class.	Number of Stallions exhibited.	Owners of Stallions.	Stallion.	Served at Commission Fee.	Served at Owner's Fee.	Total.	Names and Addresses of Local Committees.
A	14	Mr. Walter Gilbey	Pearl Diver	77	0	77	Mr. Thomas Brown, Little Hallingbury Hall, Bishop's Stortford. Mr. Martin Boris, Epsomham, Bishop's Stortford. Mr. W. Smith, The Links, Bishop's Stortford.
		Mr. Leopold de Rothschild	Roswal	54	3	57	Capt. T. E. Holloway, Head-quarters of the Yeomanry, Buckingham. Mr. Phillip Hart, Wing, Leighton Buzzard. Mr. G. A. Lepper, Aylesbury.
		Mr. Wm. Burdett-Coutts, M.P.	Truett	50	40	90	Mr. G. J. M. Barnett, Little Kendal, Elstree, Hertfordshire. Mr. Frank T. Outway, Kingsdale, Stannemore, Middlesex. Mr. Henry Withers, 156, Oxford Street, London.
B	8	Mr. Nathaniel Clark	Even	57	60	117	Mr. L. C. Crisp, Hawkhill, Alnwick. Mr. John Davison, Trillington Hall, Morpeth. Mr. Clement Stephenson, Sandyford Villa, Newcastle-on-Tyne.
		The Earl of Durham	Glendale	32	9 Thee Inred.	41	Mr. R. Brydon, Londonderry Offices, Seaham Harbour Co., Durham. Mr. H. Clark, Jr., Hallgarth Pitington, Co. Durham. Mr. J. Tully, Lambton Office, Fence Houses, Co. Durham.
		Mr. Edwin Hodge Banks	Moss Hawk	50	11	61	Mr. John J. Bowman, 22, English Street, Carlisle. Mr. D. L. Dixon Brown, Ustank Hall, Haltwhistle. Mr. Joseph S. Mark, Wigton, Cumberland.
C	17	The Earl of Lonsdale	Blue Blood	80	9 Free.	89	Mr. Cecil Chaplin, Wisnesdine, Oakham. Mr. A. R. Adcock, Manor Farm, Wisnesdine, Oakham. Mr. Benjamin Painter, Barley-on-the-Hill, Oakham.
		Mr. James Edward Platt	Commaught	53	23	76	Colonel Francis Fane, Pollock, Grantham. Mr. E. G. F. Howard, Temple Bruer, Grantham. Mr. James Hutchinson, Manthorpe Lodge, Grantham.
		Mr. Albert Octavius Haslewood	Sulezman	50	1	51	Mr. Frank Dewey, Buxton, Derbyshire. Mr. John E. Harrison, St. Ann's Hotel, Buxton. Mr. R. W. M. Newfield, Castle Hill, Bakewell, Derbyshire.
D	17	Mr. George Perkins Finch	Eclipse	50	43	93	Mr. Henry Drew, 15, Queen Street, Exeter. Major-General Drew, The Grange, Exeter. Mr. William Lechbridge, Courtlands, Exeter.
		Mr. Isaac Clark	Jack Tar	50	0	50	Mr. W. Coryton, Delamere, near Ivybridge, Devon. Mr. W. King, Southside Street, Plymouth. Mr. R. E. Page, St. Germans, Cornwall. Mr. E. St. Aubyn Glynn, Bodmin, Cornwall.
		Mr. Alexander Taylor	Lancastrian	50	7	57	Mr. P. Crutchley, Sunninghill Park, Ascot. Sir H. Simpson, Gordon House, Windsor. Mr. W. Tait, Shaw Farm, Windsor.
E	8	Mr. Joseph Henry Stephenson	Knight Templar	54	10	64	Mr. Alfred Dunhill, Northgate House, Market Weighton, Yorkshire. Mr. Thomas B. Jackson, Riston Grange, Hull. Mr. Reginald T. Ringrose, West Ella Grange, Hull.
		Sir Robert Jardine, Bart., M.P.	Revelier	50	1	51	Mr. George Hodgson, Aldbro', Darlington. Mr. George Smurthwaite, Holme House, Piersbridge, Darlington. Mr. C. Winteringham, Stud Farm, Croft, Darlington.
		Lord Middleton	Speetee Lord	50	10	60	Hon. Alexander H. Willoughby, Barton Hill House, York. Mr. William Garforth, Swanton Grange, Malton, Yorkshire. Mr. Frederick Reynard, Sunderlandwick, Driffield, Yorkshire.
F	14	Mr. Thomas Carr	Crom-a-boo	117	0	117	Sir Harry F. Vernon, Bart., Hanbury Hall, Droitwich. Mr. Frederick Anson, Hawford Lodge, Worcester. Mr. John Russell Cooke, Woodhampton, Stourport.
		Mr. John Rees	Scherzo	50	13	63	Col. J. K. Howell, Pantgwyn, Bonmahon, R.S.O., South Wales. Mr. Grismond Phillips, Cwngwilly, Bronwydd Arms, R.S.O., South Wales. Mr. D. H. Thomas, Derllys Court, Carmarthen.
		Mr. Gilbert Leigh Abbot	Tomahawk	44	0	44	Mr. James Edwards, Belmont, Flax Bourton, Bristol. Mr. George Nichols, 49, Broad Street, Bristol. Mr. Robert Todd, Harris, Almondsbury, Gloucestershire.
G	8	Mr. Charles Adams Kumble	Sam Khcen	50	4	54	Mr. Charles S. Mainwaring, Galtiseman, Trefnant, R.S.O., N. Wales. Mr. Archibald Peel, Jerweyn, Wrexham, N. Wales. Mr. Owen J. Williams, Cefn, St. Asaph, N. Wales.
		Mr. James Edward Platt	Silver Crown	50	27	77	Mr. Richard Clarke, Warburton Park, Hestley, Warrington. Mr. Colin Melver, 23, Bold Street, Warrington. Mr. Walter Mucklow, Elton, Bury, Lancashire.
		Mr. John Rees	Snowdown	35	0	35	Mr. Alfred Ashworth, Tabley Grange, Knutsford. Captain E. Howard Moss, Ravenscroft Hall, Middlewich. Mr. George Meeton, Kinderton Hall, Middlewich.
H	5	Mr. Robert James Mann	Peppermill	46	0	46	Mr. A. Houston Anderson, Kippendavie, Dunblane. Mr. Donald Fisher, Jellyholm, Alloa. Mr. Thomas Kenne, Airdrie, Falkirk.
I	1	Mr. William Warren	Royalty	50	50	100	Mr. John Bell, Stenton, St. Monance, R.S.O. Mr. John Beveridge, Kinneston, Leslie, R.S.O. Mr. James Thom, Ledges, Urquhart, Gairloch, Fife.
J	4	Mr. David Stephenson	The Mulester	50	38	88	Mr. Harry B. Alton, Swindridge Mair, Dalry, Ayrshire. Mr. David A. McClew, Logan Estates Office, Chapel Rossan, Stranraer, N.B. Mr. Donald T. Martin, Gargent, Irvine, N.B. Mr. J. Harling Turner, The Dean, Kilmarnock.
K	2	Mr. William Wilson	Sir Harry	62	0	62	Mr. James Neill, Lamberton, Berwick. Mr. John Usher, Stodrig, Kelso, N.B. Mr. John Watson, Greatridge Hall, Kelso, N.B.
Total	94		Totals	1,375	369	1,744	

APPENDIX D.

1891.

District Class.	Number of Stallions exhibited.	Owners of Stallions.	Stallion.	Served at Commission Fee.	Served at Owner's Fee.	Total.	Names and Addresses of Local Committees.
A	14	Mr. Alexander Fraser	Ivanhoe	56	14	70	Mr. Robert Bond, Old Bank House, 6, Butter Market, Ipswich. Mr. Alfred J. Smith, Reaslesham, Woodbridge, Suffolk. Mr. George E. Walker, Woodbridge, Suffolk.
		Mr. E. Guy Fenwick	M.P.	50	0	50	Mr. W. H. Armstrong, Beampton, Huntingdon. Mr. R. Davies Cooke, Estate Office, Kimbolton Castle, St. Neots. Mr. S. E. Whiteman, Coppingford, Huntingdon.
		Mr. Walter Gilbey	Pearl River	100	0	100	Mr. Thomas Brown, Little Hallingbury Hall, Bishop's Stortford. Mr. Martin Hurst, Evesham, Bishop's Stortford. Mr. W. Smith, The Links, Bishop's Stortford.
B	15	Mr. William Steel	Blue Grass	50	0	110	Mr. John J. Bowman, 32, English Street, Carlisle. Mr. S. D. Stanley Dodgson, Whitehaven. Mr. E. T. Parker, Carleton Hill, Penrith.
		Mr. Nathaniel Clark	Even	56	31	87	Mr. Robert Bruce, Elm Grove, Darlington. Mr. Clement Stephenson, Sandyford Villa, Newcastle-on-Tyne. Mr. J. Tully, Lambton Office, Fence Houses.
		Mrs. G. M. Sawyer Cookson	Prestonpans	93	0	93	Mr. L. C. Chrisp, Hawkhill, Alnwick. Mr. Anthony Marshall, Annstead, Chat-hill. Mr. G. G. Rex, Doddington, Wooler, Northumberland.
C	9	Mr. James Martin	Blue Boy	51	0	51	Mr. E. P. Rawnsley, Girsby Manor, Market Rasen. Mr. C. D. Robson, Newark, Horncastle. Mr. R. R. Tasker, Hainton, Wreaby.
		Mr. Walter Hugh Rawnsley	Peppercorn	60	0	60	Col. Francis Fane, Falsick, Grantham. Major A. C. Tempest, Copley Hall, Lincoln. Mr. James Hutchinson, Manthorpe Lodge, Grantham.
		Mr. Albert Octavius Haslewood	Salem	40	0	62	Mr. Frank Dewery, Buxton, Derbyshire. Mr. John E. Harrison, St. Ann's Hotel, Buxton. Mr. R. W. M. Nesfield, Castle Hill, Bakewell, Derbyshire.
D	21	Mr. W. Henry J. Hogg	Hornby	50	—	50	Mr. H. G. Howe, Stained House, Goldstone Station, Surrey. Mr. G. Herbert Morrison, Reconvilla Farm, Lymington. Mr. Alexander F. Rook, Farlow, Westerham, Kent.
		Mr. Alexander Taylor	Lancasterian	53	2	55	Capt. Gerald C. Richards, Doddington Castle House, Newbury. Mr. Robert P. Thayer, Oghourne Maisey, Marlborough. Mr. G. T. Denis de Vitre, Charlton House, Wantage.
		The Compton Stud Co.	Marion	51	—	51	Lieut.-Col. George Best, Charlton House, Ludwell, Salisbury. Mr. James Flower, Chilmark, Salisbury. Mr. T. H. Miller, Osborne, Sherborne.
E	10	Mr. Thomas Carr	Crom-a-bou	50	20	70	Captain Thomas Slingsby, Scriven Park, Knaresborough. Mr. Thomas S. Mason, Fountains Hall, Ripon. Mr. W. C. P. Snowden, Hutton Moor, Thirsk.
		Mr. David Cooper	Linnous	44	0	44	Col. J. Gresham Wilson, Cliffe Hall, Darlington. Mr. Richard Booth, Wartsay, Northallerton. Mr. W. M. Cobbett, Estate Office, Stanwick, Darlington.
		Mr. Edwin Hodge Banks	Moss Hawk	63	0	63	Mr. Frank Goring, Thornholme, Burton Agnes, Hull. Mr. Thomas R. Jackson, Riston Grange, Hull. Mr. Frederick Reynard, Sunderlandwick, Driffield.
F	18	Mr. Eusebius Gustavus Cross-hurst.	Just-in-Time	50	16	66	Major William T. E. Fosbery, Warwick. Mr. Philip S. Dantley, Church Farm, Offchurch, Leamington. Mr. J. H. Davies, Hutton, Wotton Park, Warwick.
		Lord Tredegar	Lord Melynoe	63	0	63	Mr. Edward Currie, Ilton Court, Chipping. Mr. Arthur Evans, Llangibby Castle, Monmouthshire. Mr. Richard Stratton, The Duffryn, Newport, Mon.
		Mr. Gilbert Leigh Abbot	Tonahawk	50	0	50	Mr. James Edwards, Belmont, Flax Bourton, Bristol. Mr. George Nichols, 40, Broad Street, Bristol. Mr. Robert Todd, Harris, Almondsbury, Gloucestershire.
G	8	Mr. Peregrine Percy Pratt	Elgmore	60	12	72	Mr. Charles S. Mainwaring, Gallitson, Trefnant, R.S.O. Mr. R. W. Williams Wynne, Cefn, St. Asaph. Mr. Joseph Lloyd, St. Asaph.
		Mr. Randle Cooke	King Alfred	72	0	72	Hon. J. E. Cross, High Leigh, Knutsford. Rev. John Armitstead, The Vicarage, Sandbach. Mr. George Garfit, Stanthorne Hill, Middleswich.
		Mr. William Warren	Royalty	92	0	92	Mr. Colin MacIvor, Estate Offices, Warrington. Mr. Walter Mucklow, Elton, Bury, Lancashire. Mr. H. C. Nelson, Halewood, Liverpool.
H	1	Mr. Albert Octavius Haslewood.	Ben Alder	50	5	55	Mr. A. H. Anderson, Estate Office, Kippendavie, Dumfries. Mr. Edwin Bolton, West Plass, Barmockburn, N.B. Mr. Donald Fisher, Jellyholm, Alloa, N.B.
I	3	Mr. Alexander Sherratt	Donald Caird	68	0	74	Major Charles H. Dundas, 35, St. John Street, Perth. Captain J. S. Black, Balgowan, Perth. Mr. Thomas Richmond, Hilton, Perth.
J	2	Messrs. David Stephenson and Hutchison.	The Muleteer	83	18	101	Mr. Harry B. Alston, Swindrie Mair, Dalry, Ayrshire. Mr. Donald T. Martin, Gargent, Irvine, N.B. Mr. J. Harling Turner, Portland Estate Office, Kilmarnock.
K	4	Mr. William Wilson	Sir Harry	80	3	83	Dr. George H. Mackay, Elgin, N.B. Mr. J. P. Stuart, Obelisk, Fochabers, N.B. Mr. Robert Walker, Altyre, Forres, N.B.
Total	103		Totals	1,544	180	1,730	

APPENDIX E.

1892.

District Class.	Number of Stallions Exhibited.	Owners of Stallions.	Stallion.	Served at Com-munion Fee.	Served at Org-anizer's Fee.	Total.	Names and Addresses of Local Committee.
A	19	Major Frank Shuttleworth	Blue Boy	50	7	57	Major J. S. Langlands, Biddenham, Bedford. Mr. William Harris, Willington, Bedford. Mr. T. Munckton, Estate Office, Old Warden, Rickmansworth.
		Messrs. George Bird and James Heyes	Cavaliers	50	6	56	Hon. Thomas W. Fitzwilliam, The Ferry, Peterborough. Mr. William Barford, Gayhurst House, Peterborough. Mr. F. J. Howson, Huntingdon.
		Mr. William Rendell-Coots, M.P.	Trustit	50	—	50	Mr. Frank T. Outway, Kingsdale, Stanmore, Middlesex. Mr. Charles T. Part, Aldenham Lodge, Radlett, St. Albans. Mr. E. Somerville Tattersall, Albert Gate, Hyde Park, London, S.W.
B	8	Execs. of Mr. William Steel	Blue Grass	50	29	79	Mr. John J. Bowman, 32, English Street, Carlisle. Mr. F. Carleton Cowper, Carleton Derick, Penrith. Mr. S. D. Stanley Dodgson, Estate Office, Whitehaven.
		Mr. Edward Joceline Percy	Brayton	13	0	13	Mr. J. J. Bowman, 32, English Street, Carlisle. Mr. D. L. Dixon Brown, Unthank Hall, Haltwhistle, Carlisle. Mr. Joseph S. Mark, Wigton, Cumberland.
		Mrs. Georgiana M. Sawney Cookson	Prestonpans	45	4 Thor's bred.	49	Mr. L. C. Crisp, Hawkhill, Alrewick. Mr. Anthony Marshall, Annandale, Chastell, Northumberland. Mr. G. G. Res, Daddington, Wooler, Northumberland.
C	11	Mr. Albert Octavius Haslewood	Huntingtower	55	19	73	Mr. William Briggs, Black House, Melbourne, Derby. Mr. George Corbett, Derby. Mr. Claude M. S. Pilkington, Wallaston, Nottingham.
		Mr. Robert James Mann	Lifeboat	50	0	50	Mr. John Cooper, Brook Hill, East Haddon, Northampton. Mr. Rowland Wood, Clapton, Thurston.
		Mr. Thomas Kinston Bickell	Mountain Dew	47	0	47	Colonel Francis Fane, Fulbeck, Grantham. Major A. C. Tempost, Colerly Hall, near Lincoln. Mr. James Hutchinson, Manton Lodge, Grantham.
D	16	Colonel John Thomas North	Cedar	50	0	50	Mr. John Alexander, Rowhill Grange, Dartford, Kent. Mr. Patterson Nicholls, Fallowfield, Cheshire. Mr. George F. Russell, St. Margaret's, South Darenth.
		Mr. William Henry Jenner Hogg	Hornely	50	—	50	Mr. H. G. Hoare, Stanstead House, Goldstone Station. Mr. Thomas Hooker, Broxham, Edenbridge. Mr. Alexander F. Rooke, Parkside, Westerham, Kent.
		The Compton Stud Company	Marion	50	—	50	Mr. R. M. Dodington, Horsington Park, Templecombe, Somerset. Mr. James Fowler, Chilton, Salisbury. Mr. F. H. Miller, Osborne, Sherborne, Dorset.
E	18	The Earl of Harewood	Bahador	50	4	54	Captain Thomas Slingsby, Scriven Park, Knarborough, York-shire. Mr. F. W. Slingsby, Red House, Moor Monkton, York. Mr. W. G. P. Snowden, Hutton Moor, Thirsk.
		Mr. George Hunter	Marshall South	54	2 Thor's bred.	56	Mr. John Dabry, Weedley, Brough, Yorkshire. Mr. Harold E. Fosse, Tickton Hall, Beverley, Yorkshire. Mr. Joseph Thompson, Washley, Brough, East Yorkshire.
		Mr. Edwin Hodge Banks	Moss Hawk	60	0	60	Mr. Frank Grainger, Thorsholme, Burton Agnes, Hull. Mr. Thomas D. Read, Bedford Grange, Hull. Mr. Frederick Reynard, Sunderlandwick, Driffield.
F	10	Mr. Eusebius Gustavus Crowhurst	Just-in-Time	50	20	70	Mr. Philip S. Dabry, Church Farm, Offchurch, Leamington. Mr. J. H. Davies, Hatton, Wagon Park, Warwick. Mr. J. W. Margolis, Warwick.
		The Lord Tredegar	Lord Molyneux	65	5	70	Mr. Edward Currie, Ilton Court, Chagwater. Mr. Arthur Evans, Llangibby Castle, Monmouthshire. Mr. Richard Stratton, The Duffryn, Newport, Mon.
		Mr. John Charles Harford	Ramones	48	6	54	Sir William M. Curtis, Bart., Caynham Court, Ludlow. Mr. A. R. Boughton Knight, Downton Castle, Ludlow. Mr. James L. Barling, V.S., Bridge Street, Hereford.
G	11	Mr. Peregrine Percy Pratt	Eglamore	50	0	50	Mr. Charles S. Mairwaring, Galtfarnham, Trebant, R.S.O. Mr. E. W. Williams Wynn, Cefn, St. Asaph. Mr. Joseph Lloyd, St. Asaph.
		Mr. Albert Octavius Haslewood	Sam Kheen	58	4	62	Mr. James S. Fair, Estate Office, Lytham. Mr. Walter Munklow, Elton, Bury, Lancashire. Mr. H. C. Nelson, Haslewood, Liverpool.
		Mr. James Edward Platt	Silver Crown	58	8	66	Mr. Colin MacIver, Estate Office, Warwington. Mr. Douglas Phillips, The Cottage, Chelford, Crows. Mr. John Smith, Sudlow Farm, Knutsford.
H	3	Mr. Albert Octavius Haslewood	Ben Alder	59	4	63	Mr. A. H. Anderson, Estate Office, Kippinstavie, Dunblane, N.B. Mr. Edwin Bolton, West Pleau, Bannockburn, N.B. Mr. Donald Fisher, Jellyholm, Alloa, N.B.
		Mr. Albert Octavius Haslewood	Chip Chase	40	0	40	Major Charles H. Dundas, 35, St. John's Street, Perth. Mr. H. Macduff Duness, Juno, Dundee, Auchtermoidie, N.B. Mr. William Miller, Over Kinfauns, Perth, N.B.
		Mr. William Jordison	Boys Monk	54	11	65	Mr. Harry B. Alton, Swindrige Muir, Dalry, Ayrshire. Mr. John B. Dixon, Dalton, Thornhill, Dumfriesshire. Mr. John McKie, Emspie, Castle Douglas, N.B. Mr. Donald T. Martin, Gargent, Irvine, N.B. Mr. J. Harling Turner, Portland Estate Office, Kilmarnock, N.B.
K	5	Mr. William Wilson	Sir Harry	68	0	68	Mr. J. S. Robertson, Candor Estate Office, Nairn, N.B. Mr. J. P. Stuart, Obbliston, Fochabers, N.B. Mr. Robert Turner, Oslinton of Beynlie, Portsoy, N.B.
Total	117			Totals	1,364	133	1,307

APPENDIX F.

The following are the Conditions under which the Show in the Spring of the present year (1893) will be held, together with the Details of Distribution:—

The show will be held in London in conjunction with the Hunters' Improvement and Hackney Horse Societies.

Thirty equal premiums, consisting each of 150*l.*, are offered for thorough-bred stallions (four years old and upwards) for England, Wales, and Scotland.

Each stallion winning a premium shall serve not less than 50 half-bred mares, if required, during the season, and shall stand or travel at the owner's option in the district for which he is exhibited, at a fee not exceeding 40*s.* for each mare and 2*s.* 6*d.* for the groom.

Stallions shall compete in the district class only for which they are entered, and exhibitors may not enter more than one stallion in each class.

A stallion which has won four Queen's premiums in the same district class shall be ineligible for entry

again in the same class, but shall be eligible for any other district class.

The following diseases shall disqualify a thorough-bred stallion for the purposes of this Commission, viz.:—

Roaring—whistling.
Ringbone.
Unsound feet.
Navicular disease.
Spavin.
Cataract.

The season of service commences:—

For England, on March 20th, and terminates on July 20th.

For Scotland, on April 3rd, and terminates on July 20th.

The Distribution of Premiums for 1893, in the respective Districts for England, Wales, and Scotland, will be as follows:—

District Class.	Counties.		District Class.	Counties.	
A	Bedfordshire . . .	Three stallions at 150 <i>l.</i> each.	E	Yorkshire . . .	Three stallions at 150 <i>l.</i> each.
	Buckinghamshire . . .				
	Cambridgeshire . . .				
	Essex . . .				
	Hertfordshire . . .		F	Gloucestershire . . .	Four stallions at 150 <i>l.</i> each.
	Huntingdonshire . . .			Herefordshire . . .	
	Middlesex . . .			Monmouthshire . . .	
	Norfolk . . .			Shropshire . . .	
B	Oxfordshire . . .	Four stallions at 150 <i>l.</i> each.	G	Staffordshire . . .	Three stallions at 150 <i>l.</i> each.
	Suffolk . . .			Warwickshire . . .	
	Cumberland . . .			Worcestershire . . .	
	Durham . . .			South Wales . . .	
C	Northumberland . . .	Four stallions at 150 <i>l.</i> each.	H	Cheshire . . .	One stallion at 150 <i>l.</i>
	Westmoreland . . .			Lancashire . . .	
	Derbyshire . . .			North Wales . . .	
	Leicestershire . . .				
D	Lincolnshire . . .	Three stallions at 150 <i>l.</i> each.	I	Stirlingshire and district . . .	One stallion at 150 <i>l.</i>
	Northamptonshire . . .			Fifeshire and district . . .	
	Nottinghamshire . . .			Ayrshire and district . . .	
	Bedfordshire . . .			Mersey, Nairn, and Banffshires . . .	
E	Berkshire . . .	Three stallions at 150 <i>l.</i> each.	J	The Lothians . . .	One stallion at 150 <i>l.</i>
	Cornwall . . .				
	Devonshire . . .				
	Dorsetshire . . .				
	Hampshire . . .		M	Roxburghshire, Berwickshire, and district . . .	One stallion at 150 <i>l.</i>
	Kent . . .				
	Somersetshire . . .				
	Surrey . . .				
F	Sussex . . .	One stallion at 150 <i>l.</i>			
	Wiltshire . . .				

This scheme of distribution thus absorbs, from the funds at the disposal of the Commission, 4,500*l.* per annum, leaving 600*l.* for expenses.

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FIFTH REPORT



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MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY :

WE, the Commissioners appointed to dispose of Your Royal Bounty, which was formerly given in Queen's Plates for racing, and also the money which Parliament has granted for the encouragement of horse-breeding in Great Britain, humbly desire to submit to Your Majesty this our Fifth Report, in continuation of that which we had the honour to lay before Your Majesty on the 9th of February 1893.

Since we had the honour of presenting our last Report, we have held three shows in London during the years 1893, 1894, and 1895, at which the Queen's premiums have been awarded. The Show of 1893 was held in conjunction with the Hunters' Improvement Society and the Hackney Horse Society. The Shows of 1894 and 1895 were held in conjunction with the Hunters' Improvement Society only, as it was found impossible, owing to large proportions which they had assumed, consequent upon the increase in the number of entries, for the three bodies to combine as heretofore.

In view of the reduction in the value of the premiums offered, since our last Report was issued, from 200*l.* to 150*l.*, it is very gratifying to note the number of stallions entered has been satisfactory and we have been enabled to select suitable horses out of those exhibited to locate in the various districts in England, Wales, and Scotland.

Your Commissioners are satisfied with the per-centage of foals left by the stallions, and desire to call attention to the continued success which attends the exhibition of the stock of the premium stallions when competing with that of other horses at the summer meetings of the different agricultural societies.

As mentioned in our previous Reports to Your Majesty, we have given careful and sustained consideration to the important subject of Veterinary Examination of the stallions competing for the Queen's premiums. We are glad to report that the new regulations which have recently been enforced have resulted in greater consistency in the decisions, and that there is a steady decrease in the number of horses pronounced unsound by the veterinary experts.

We are pleased to record numerous applications from breeders of horses and the agricultural societies throughout the country for the location of a Queen's premium stallion in their district, and it is therefore a matter of regret that the limited amount of money at our disposal is insufficient to meet the increase of their demands.

We beg to append to this Report information referring to the work of this Commission since the publication of our last Report in February 1893.

The district committees who have been invited to act in the various districts, and who have supervised all the local arrangements in connexion with the Queen's premium

stallions, are entitled to our warmest thanks, and we beg to avail ourselves of this opportunity of tendering to them our grateful acknowledgments for the services rendered.

We have to record with great regret the death of our friend and colleague Major-General Frederick George Ravenhill, R.A.

All which we most humbly submit to Your Majesty's most gracious consideration.

COMMISSION

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BREEDING

J. HERBERT TAYLOR, Secretary,
15, Great George Street, Westminster, S.W..
July 3rd, 1895.

WE the Commissioners appointed to dispose of Your Majesty's stallions, have the honor to lay before Your Majesty our Report on the 3rd of February 1895.

Since we had the honor of presenting our last Report, we have held three shows in London during the years 1893, 1894, and 1895, at which the Queen's stallions have been awarded. The show of 1893 was held in conjunction with the Hunter Improvement Society and the Hunter House Society. The shows of 1894 and 1895 were held in conjunction with the Hunter Improvement Society only, as it was found impossible owing to large proportions which they had assumed, consequent upon the increase in the number of entries, for the three bodies to compete as before.

In view of the reduction in the value of the premiums offered since our last Report, was made, from 200L to 150L, it is very gratifying to note the number of stallions entered has been satisfactory and we have been enabled to select valuable horses out of those exhibited to locate in the various districts in Kent, Wiltshire, and Scotland.

Your Commissioners are satisfied with the progress of the stallions, and desire to call attention to the continued success which attends the exhibition of the stock of the premium stallions when compared with that of other horses as the numerous messages of the different agricultural societies.

As mentioned in our previous Reports to Your Majesty we have given careful and sustained consideration to the important subject of Veterinary Examination of the stallions competing for the Queen's premiums. We are glad to report that the new regulations which have recently been introduced have resulted in greater consistency in the decisions, and that there is a steady increase in the number of horses presented and passed by the veterinary experts.

We are pleased to record numerous applications from breeders of horses and the agricultural societies throughout the country for the stallions of a Queen's premium stallion in their district and it is therefore a matter of regret that the limited amount of money at our disposal is insufficient to meet the number of these demands.

We beg to append to this Report information relating to the work of the Stallion and the exhibition of our last Report in February 1895.

The district committees who have been invited to act in the various districts, and who have supervised all the local arrangements in connection with the Queen's premiums

APPENDIX A.

The following are the Conditions under which the Shows in the Spring of the years 1894 and 1895 were held (those for 1893 forming an Appendix in the last Report), together with Details of Distribution for those years:—

The shows were held in London in conjunction with the Hunters' Improvement Society.

Twenty-nine equal premiums, consisting each of 150*l.*, are offered for thoroughbred stallions (four years old and upwards) for England, Wales, and Scotland.

Each stallion winning a premium shall serve not less than 50 half-bred mares, if required, during the season, and shall stand or travel at the owner's option in the district for which he is exhibited at a fee not exceeding 40*s.* for each mare and 2*s.* 6*d.* for the groom.

Stallions shall compete in the district class only for which they are entered, and exhibitors may not enter more than one stallion in each class.

A stallion which has won four Queen's premiums in the same district class shall be ineligible for entry

again in same class, but shall be eligible for any other district class.

The following diseases shall disqualify a thoroughbred stallion for the purposes of this Commission, viz:—

Roaring—whistling.
Ringbone.
Unsound feet.
Navicular disease.
Spavin.
Cataract.

The season of service commences:—

On April 3rd and terminates on July 31st.

The Distribution of Premiums for 1894 and 1895, in the respective Districts for England, Wales, and Scotland, was as follows:

District Class.	Counties.		District Class.	Counties.		
A	Bedfordshire -	Three stallions at 150 <i>l.</i> each.	B	Yorkshire -	Three stallions at 150 <i>l.</i> each.	
	Buckinghamshire -					
	Cambridgeshire -					
	Essex -					
	Hertfordshire -					
	Huntingdonshire -			F	Gloucestershire -	Four stallions at 150 <i>l.</i> each.
	Middlesex -				Herefordshire -	
	Norfolk -				Monmouthshire -	
	Oxfordshire -				Shropshire -	
Suffolk -		Staffordshire -				
B	Cumberland -	Four stallions at 150 <i>l.</i> each.	G	Warwickshire -		
	Durham -			Worcestershire -		
	Northumberland -			South Wales -		
	Westmoreland -					
C	Derbyshire -	Four stallions at 150 <i>l.</i> each.	1894. H	Cheshire -	Three stallions at 150 <i>l.</i> each.	
	Leicestershire -			Lancashire -		
	Lincolnshire -			North Wales -		
	Northamptonshire -					
	Nottinghamshire -			1895. H	Stirlingshire district. and	One stallion at 150 <i>l.</i>
Rutlandshire -		Roxburghshire -				
D	Berkshire -	Three stallions at 150 <i>l.</i> each.	1895. H	Berwickshire district. and		
	Devonshire -					
	Devonshire -			I	Fife and district -	One stallion at 150 <i>l.</i>
	Dorsetshire -					
	Hampshire -			J	Dumfries, Kirkcudbright, and Wigtown Shires.	One stallion at 150 <i>l.</i>
	Kent -					
	Somersetshire -			K	Meeky, Nairn, and Banff Shires.	One stallion at 150 <i>l.</i>
	Surrey -					
	Sussex -			L	The Lothians -	One stallion at 150 <i>l.</i>
Wiltshire -						

This scheme of distribution thus absorbs, from the funds at the disposal of the Commission, 4,500*l.* per annum, leaving 600*l.* for expenses.

APPENDIX B.

A. ZIGZETTA

PER-CENTAGE of FOALS left by the "QUEEN'S PREMIUM" and ROYAL AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY'S PREMIUM STALLIONS from the Half-bred MARES served during the SEASON of 1892.

District Class.	Name of Owner of Stallion.	Name of Stallion.	Per-centage of Foals from Half-bred Mares served during the Season.
A	Major Frank Shuttleworth	Blue Boy	35
	Messrs. George Bird and James Heys	Cavallero	61
	Mr. Wm. Bardett-Coutts, M.P.	Truett	31
B	The Executors of the late William Steel	Blue Grass	76
	Mr. Edward Joceline Percy	Brayton	82
	Mrs. G. M. Savrey Cookson	Prestonpans	69
C	Mr. Albert Octavius Haslewood	Huntingtower	69
	Mr. Robert James Mann	Lifeboat	63
	Mr. Thomas Kinsman Bickell	Mountain Dew	59
D	Colonel John Thomas North	Cedar	62
	Mr. William Henry Jenner Hogg	Homely	43
	The Compton Stud Company	Marion	65
E	Viscount Lascelles	Bahadur	42
	Mr. George Hunter	Marshall Soult	60
	Mr. Edwin Hodge Banks	Moss Hawk	63
F	Mr. Eschelus Gustavus Crowhurst	Just in Time	69
	Lord Trodegar	Lord Molyneux	80
	Mr. John Charles Harford	Rameses	82
G	Mr. Peregrine Percy Pratt	Eglamore	63
	Mr. Albert Octavius Haslewood	Sam Khoeu	55
	Mr. James Edward Platt	Silver Crown	60
H	Mr. Albert Octavius Haslewood	Ben Alder	52
I	Mr. Albert Octavius Haslewood	Chip Chase	54
J	Mr. William Jordison	Rosy Monk	75
K	Mr. William Wilson	Sir Harry	37
The average per-centage of foals left by the 25 stallions in 1892			60

SEASON 1893.

PER-CENTAGE of FOALS left by the QUEEN'S PREMIUM STALLIONS from the Half-bred MARES during the SEASON of 1893.

District Class.	Name of Owner of Stallion.	Name of Stallion.	Per-centage of Foals from Half-bred Mares served during the Season.
A	Mr. James Waugh	Monteviot	65
	Mr. Walter Gilbey	Pearl Diver	66
	Mr. John English Tabor	St. Clair	66
B	Mr. James F. Dickson	Button Park	83
	Mr. William Parkin-Moore	King Ebor	75
	The Executors of the late William Steel	Warrior	56
C	Mr. Thomas Constable	Rosy Monk	47
	Mr. Albert Octavius Haslewood	Belville	35
	Mr. Walter Hugh Rawnsley	Bloodshot	63
D	Mr. Binyoun Francis Drage	Peppermill	54
	Colonel John Thomas North	Potentate	87
	Mr. William Henry Jenner Hogg	Cedar	52
E	The Compton Stud Company	Homely	42
	The Earl of Harewood	Marion	67
	Mr. Nathaniel Clark	Bahadur	73
F	Lord Middleton	Even	67
		Sherbrooke	66

SEASON 1893—continued.

District Class.	Name of Owner of Stallion.	Name of Stallion.	Per-centage of Foals from Half-bred Mares served during the Season.
F	Mr. Thomas Carr	Crom-a-Boo	74
	Mr. Eusebius Gustavus Crowhurst	Just in Time	59
	Lord Trevelyan	Lord Molynoo	67
	Mr. John Charles Harford	Rameses	75
G	The Executors of the late William Steel	Blue Grass	56
	Mr. Peregrine Percy Pratt	Eglamore	73
	Mr. Albert Octavius Haslewood	Sam Kheen	71
H	Mr. James Edward Platt	Janus	64
I	Mr. Edwin Hodge Banks	Moss Hawk	69
J	Mr. Albert Octavius Haslewood	Chip Chase	54
K	Mr. Thomas Glen Arthur	Passe-par-tout	60
L	Mr. William Wilson	Sir Harry	41
M	Mr. James T. Dickson	Macaw	58
The average per-centage of foals left by the 30 stallions in 1893			61

APPENDIX C.

RETURN of the NUMBER of STALLIONS exhibited in each DISTRICT CLASS at the LONDON SHOWS in the Years 1893 and 1894. NAMES of OWNERS and winning and selected STALLIONS with NUMBER of MARES served by each at the Royal Commission Fee of 2l. 2s. 6d. or under, at the Owner's own Fee; together with the NAMES and ADDRESSES of the DISTRICT COMMITTEE.

1893.

District Class.	Number of Stallions exhibited.	Owners of Stallions.	Stallions.	Served at Commission Fee.	Served at Owner's Fee.	Total.	Names and Addresses of Local Committee.
A	14	Mr. James Wagh	Monteviot	31	0	31	Mr. Alexander K. Galloway, Fenstanton Brewery, St. Ives, Huntingdonshire. Mr. John Goodall, George Hotel, Huntingdon. Mr. F. J. Howson, Huntingdon.
		Mr. Walter Gilbey	Pearl Diver	50	3	53	Mr. Thomas Brown, Little Hallingbury Hall, Bishop's Stortford. Mr. Martin Park, Elmdon, Bishop's Stortford. Mr. W. Smith, The Link's, Bishop's Stortford.
		Mr. John E. Tabor	St. Clair	47	0	47	Captain W. Townsend, Blue Bridge House, Halstead, Essex. Mr. J. W. Wakelin, Hill Farm, Braintree. Mr. George A. Newman, Panfield Hall, Braintree.
		Mr. James F. Dickson	Button Park	58	20	78	Dr. W. Iliffe, Kendal. Mr. Jacob Wakelind, Sedgewick House, Kendal. Mr. Charles H. Wilson, Ouzelholme.
B	6	Mr. W. Parkin-Moore	King Elber	31	0	31	Mr. George J. Bell, 32, English Street, Carlisle. Mr. John Steel, V.S., Wigton, Cumberland. Mr. James Thomson, Estate Office, Eragon, Carlisle.
		Mr. William Jordison	Roxy Monk	60	4	64	Mr. Anthony Marshall, Annstead, Chathill, Northumberland. Mr. G. G. Rea, Doddington, Wooler, E.S.O., Northumberland. Mr. Thomas Tomlinson, Ballif Gate, Alnwick.
		The Executors of the late William Steel	Warrior	50	43	93	Mr. George J. Bell, 32, English Street, Carlisle. Mr. F. Carleton Cowper, Carleton Derick, Fenrith. Mr. S. D. Stanley Dodgson, Somerset House, Whitehaven.
C	12	Mr. Thomas Constable	Belville	101	3	104	Mr. A. R. Adcock, Manor Farm, Whitlandine, Oakham. Mr. James Hornsby, Stapleford Park, Melton Mowbray. Rev. J. P. Seabrook, Waltham, Melton Mowbray.
		Mr. Albert Octavius Haslewood	Elkshot	54	10	64	Mr. Sidney Burton, Derbyshire Agricultural Society, Derby. Mr. F. B. Craven, Thornbridge Bakewell. Mr. Frank Drewry, Buxton.
		Mr. Walter Hugh Rawnsley	Peppermill	40	2	42	Mr. George Ringley, Wheatley Grange, Retford. Mr. Fred. C. Marshall, Riseholme Grange, Lincoln. Mr. C. M. S. Pilkington, 24, Trent Street, Nottingham.
		Mr. Binyous Francis Drage	Potentate	50	10	60	Mr. John Cooper, Brock Hill, East Haddon, Northampton. Mr. J. F. Goodman, Flecknoe, Rugby. Mr. T. M. Jameson, Moulton Grange, Northampton.

1893—continued.

District Class.	Number of Stallions exhibited.	Owners of Stallions.	Stallions.	Served at Commission Fee.	Served at Owner's Fee.	Total.	Names and Addresses of Local Committee.
D	17	Colonel John Thomas North	Cedar	37	0	37	Mr. John Alexander, Rowhill Grange, Dartford. Mr. Walter Jackson, Swanley, Kent. Mr. George P. Russell, St. Margaret's, South Darenth.
		Mr. William Henry Jenner Hogg	Homely	34	0	34	Mr. John Cooper, Tandridge Court, Redhill. Mr. H. Gerard Hoare, Stanstead House, Godstone Station. Mr. Thomas Hooker, Broxburn, Edenbridge.
		The Compton Stud Co.	Marion	50	—	50	Lieut.-Col. George Best, Charlton House, Lindwell, Salisbury. Mr. Arthur Gosling, Estate Office, Lower Lawn, Tisbury. Mr. T. H. Miller, Osborne, Sherborne, Dorset.
E	14	The Earl of Harewood	Bahadur	50	0	50	Captain Thomas Slingsby, Scriven Park, Knaresborough, Yorkshire. Mr. F. W. Slingsby, Red House, Moor Monkton, York. Mr. W. C. P. Snowden, Rutton Moor, Thirsk.
		Mr. Nathaniel Clark	Econ	28	0	28	Mr. W. M. Cobbett, Estate Office, Stanwick, Darlington. Mr. T. H. Hutchinson, The Manor House, Catterick, Yorkshire. Mr. W. H. Wharton, Skelton Castle, Skelton in Cleveland, R.S.O., Yorkshire.
		The Lord Middleton	Sherbrooke	100	0	100	Mr. Henry Cholmondeley, Estate Office, Skidmore, York. Mr. William Garforth, Swinton Grange, Malton, Yorkshire. Mr. Frederick Reynard, Sunderlandwick, Driffield.
F	19	Mr. Thomas Carr	Crom-a-Bou	101	6	107	Sir Harry F. Vernon, Bart., Haulbury Hall, Droitwich. Mr. Frederick Annes, Hawford Lodge, Worcester. Mr. C. W. Wicksted, Shakenhurst, Clebury Mortimer.
		Mr. Eusebius Gustavus Crowhurst	Just-in-Time	50	25	75	Mr. Philip S. Danby, Church Farm, Offchurch, Leamington. Mr. J. H. Davies, Hatten, Wymock Park, Warwick. Mr. Charles Garner, Buddley Lodge, Leamington.
		The Lord Trelogan	Lord Molynoo	60	4	64	Mr. Edward Curro, Itton Court, Chappetow. Mr. Arthur Evans, Llanabiby Castle, Monmouthshire. Mr. Richard Stratton, The Duffryn, Newport, Monmouthshire.
G	7	Mr. John Charles Hartford	Rumess	32	0	32	Mr. W. J. Buckley, Pen-y-fao, Llanelly. Colonel J. K. Howell, Pantgwyn, Bonrath, R.S.O., South Wales. Mr. T. H. E. Hughes, Newadd Fawr, Lampeter.
		The Executors of the late William Steel	Blue Grass	54	14	68	Mr. Edward Barton, Warton Grange, Carnfield. Mr. Addison Birley, Bartle Hall, Preston. Mr. James S. Fair, Estate Office, Lytham.
		Mr. Peregrine Percy Pratt	Eglamore	38	28	66	Mr. Joseph Lloyd, St. Asaph. Major G. Sandbach, Hafodunna, Aberystwyth. Mr. R. W. Williams Wynn, Cefn, St. Asaph.
H	9	Mr. Albert Octavius Haslewood	Sam Kheon	60	10	70	Mr. Richard Ascheton, Victoria Park, Manchester. Mr. Carlton Cross, Crooke Hall, Chorley. Mr. Walter Mucklow, Eton Grange, Bury.
		Mr. James Edward Platt	James	31	0	31	Mr. A. H. Anderson, Estate Office, Kippendharie, Dunblane, N.B. Mr. Edwin Bolton, West Pleas, Banockburn, N.B. Mr. Donald Fisher, Jellyholm, Alton, N.B.
		Mr. Edwin Hodge Banks	Moss Hawk	90	0	90	Mr. John Bell, Stenton, St. Monance, R.S.O., N.B. Mr. William Tod, East Brackley, Kinross, N.B. Mr. James Thom, Loden Urquhart, Gatenade, Fife, N.B.
I	4	Mr. Albert Octavius Haslewood	Chip Chase	24	0	24	Mr. John M. Dickson, Dalton, Thornhill, Dumfriesshire, N.B. Mr. J. McKie, Enniscopie, Castle Douglas, N.B. Mr. J. Harting Turner, Portland Estate Office, Kilmarnock, N.B.
		Mr. Thomas Glen Arthur	Passo-pur-tout	38	0	38	Mr. William Ross, Cathay House, Culter, N.B. Mr. J. S. Robertson, Cawdor Estate Office, Nairn, N.B. Mr. J. F. Stuart, Orkistoun, Forchabers, N.B.
		Mr. William Wilson	Sir Harry	76	0	76	Mr. Adam P. Cross, Craigiehall, Cramond Bridge, Midlothian, N.B. Mr. William Ford, Fentonburn, Drem, East Lothian, N.B. Mr. Thomas M. Skirving, Niddrie Mains, Edinburgh. Mr. James Wyllie, Royal Bank of Scotland, Leven Street, Edinburgh.
J	3	Mr. James T. Dickson	Macaw	20	0	20	Mr. Thomas Calder, Swinton Hill, Coldstream, N.B. Mr. James Robertson, Ladyrig, Roxburgh, N.B. Mr. James Smith, Mowhaugh, Kelso, N.B.
				1,355	191	1,546	

APPENDIX D.

1894.

District Class.	Number of Stallions exhibited.	Owners of Stallions.	Stallions.	Served at Commission Fee.	Served at Owner's Fee.	Total.	Names and Addresses of Local Committee.
A	14	H.R.H. The Prince of Wales	Serpis Pinto	28	0	28	Mr. Alcegon Fountaine, M.P.H., Nardred Hall, Swaffham. Mr. Anthony Hamond, Westacre, Swaffham, Norfolk. Mr. Charles Seymour, Barrick House, King's Lynn.
		Mr. Donald Fraser	Mount Gifford	48	13	61	Mr. F. W. Coates, Lathbury, Newport Pagnell. Mr. Henry G. Lepper, Aylesbury. Mr. C. M. Prior, Ashstock Manor, Winslow Bucks.
		The Duke of Hamilton and Brandon, K.T.	Persisive	42	0	42	Mr. Robert Bond, Old Bank House, 6, Butler Market, Ipswich. Mr. H. E. Smith, Steward's Office, Easton Park, Wickham Market, Suffolk. Mr. George E. Walker, Woodbridge, Suffolk.

1894—continued.

District Class.	Number of Stallions exhibited.	Owners of Stallions.	Stallions.	Served at Commission Fee.	Served at Owner's Fee.	Total.	Names and Addresses of Local Committee.
B	12	Mr. Edward Josephine Percy	Brayton	40	1	41	Mr. Anthony Marshall, Annstead, Chathill, Northumberland. Mr. G. G. Rea, Redington, Wooler, R.S.O., Northumberland. Mr. Thomas Tomlinson, Bailiff Gate, Alnwick.
		Dr. Walter Iliffe	Button Park	50	10	60	Mr. George L. Hogarth, Westmoreland and Kendal Agricultural Society, Kendal. Mr. Jacob Wakefield, Sedgefield House, Kendal. Mr. Charles H. Wilson, Ouseholme.
		Mr. W. Parkin-Moore	King Elce	23	0	23	Mr. George J. Bell, 1, Lonsdale Street, Carlisle. Mr. John Steel, Wigton, Cumberland. Mr. James Thomson, Estate Office, Brayton, Carlisle.
		Mr. Robert James Mann	Peregrine Falcon	28	0	28	Mr. R. Brydon, Londonderry Office, Seaham Harbour, Co. Durham. Mr. Clement Stephenson, Sandyford Villa, Newcastle-on-Tyne. Mr. George Wilkinson, Shotton Grange, Shotton, Cheshire.
C	14	Mr. Thomas Constable	Belville	71	4	75	Mr. James Hornsby, Stapleford Park, Melton Mowbray. Mr. James Hutchinson, Manthorpe Lodge, Grantham. Mr. John Tomlinson, Burthorpe Manor, Fellingham.
		The Earl of Lonsdale	Blue Blood	27	0	27	Mr. Robert Hathcote, Manton, Oakham. Mr. Campbell Hodson, The Red House, Kington, Grantham. Mr. R. Painter, Barley-on-the-Hill, Oakham.
		Mr. Elyoun Francis Desge	Potentate	31	0	31	Mr. John Cooper, East Haddon, Northampton. Mr. J. P. Goodman, Flocknoe, Rugby. Mr. Gordon Watson, Estate Office, Lampert, Northampton.
		Mr. John Charles Harford	Rameses	24	0	24	Mr. E. P. Rawnsley, M.F.H., Girsby Manor, Lincoln. Mr. Joseph Drakes, Home Farm, West Rasen, Market Rasen. Mr. C. B. Robson, Cawwell, Horncastle.
D	10	Colonel John Thomas North	Cedar	36	0	36	Mr. F. S. W. Cornwallis, M.P., Linton Park, Maidstone. Mr. W. C. Jackson, Alre-Dean, Swanley, Kent. Mr. G. P. Russell, St. Margaret's, South Darenth.
		Mr. William Henry Jenner Hogg	Homely	27	3	30	Mr. John Cooper, Tandridge Court, Redhill, Surrey. Mr. H. Gerard House, M.F.H., Stanstead House, Godstone, Surrey. Mr. Thomas Hooker, Brotham, Edenbridge.
		The Compton Stud Co.	Marion	30	0	30	Lieut.-Col. George Best, Charlton House, Lindwell, Salisbury. Mr. Arthur Gosling, Estate Office, Lower Lawn, Tisbury. Mr. T. H. Miller, Osborne, Sherborne, Dorset.
		The Earl of Harewood	Bahadur	50	0	50	Mr. C. M. S. Pilkington, Harewood, Leeds. Mr. F. W. Slingsby, Red House, Moor Monkton, York. Mr. W. C. P. Snowden, Hutton Moor, Baddesley, S.O., Yorkshire.
E	12	Mr. Charles Booth Elmsall Wright	Knight of the Forest	29	0	29	Mr. R. C. Asheton, Downham Hall, Clitheroe. Mr. Richard Roundell, Gledstone Hall, Skipton. Mr. M. Annetta Wilson, Eshon House, Gargrave-in-Craven.
		The Lord Middleton	Sherbrooke	41	0	41	Mr. Henry Cholmondeley, Estate Office, Sledmere, York. Mr. William Garforth, Swinton Grange, Malton. Mr. Frederick Reynard, Sunderlandwick, Driffield.
		Mr. John Hutchison	Clanranald	44	0	44	Mr. H. Baker, The Cottage, Hardwicke, Gloucester. Major F. Butler, Dollar House, Cirencester. Colonel F. Henry, Elmstree, Totbury.
		Mr. Thomas Carr	Crom-a-lac	69	2	71	Sir Harry F. Vernon, Bart., Hanbury Hall, Droitwich. Mr. Frederick Ames, M.F.H., Hawford Lodge, Worcester. Mr. C. W. Wicksted, Shakenhurst, Cleobury Mortimer.
F	10	Messrs. Youmans, Bros.	Roseacre	38	0	38	Captain James Foster, M.F.H., Apley Park, Bridgnorth. Mr. E. Reddard, Cleveland Road, Wolverhampton. Mr. James H. Wyley, Queen House, Stafford.
		Mr. John Young	St. Clair	34	0	34	Sir W. M. Curtis, Bart., M.F.H., Cayham Court, Ludlow. Mr. A. B. Boughton, Knight, Dovenor Castle, Ludlow. Mr. G. H. Green, Wigmore Grange, Leintwardine, R.S.O., Herefordshire.
		Messrs. George and Philip Steel	Blue Grass	64	11	75	Mr. Edward Barton, Warton Grange, Carnforth. Mr. Addison Birley, Bartle Hall, Preston. Mr. James S. Fair, Estate Office, Lytham.
		Mr. Peregrine Percy Pratt	Eglamce	60	21	81	Mr. Joseph Lloyd, St. Asaph, North Wales. Major G. Sandbach, Hafodunos, Abergele. Mr. R. W. Williams Wynn, Cefn, St. Asaph.
G	6	Mr. Llewellyn Heywood Jones	Theosophist	32	1	33	Mr. Chas. T. Garfit, Estate Office, Delamere House, Northwich. Mr. Colin MacIver, Estate Office, Warrington. Mr. Walter Mucklow, Ellen Grange, Bury, Lancashire.
		Mr. B. N. Sutton-Naltherpe	Special Flander	22	0	22	Mr. A. H. Anderson, Estate Office, Kippendavie, Dumblane, N.B. Mr. Edwin Bolton, West Plean, Burnockburn, N.B. Mr. Donald Fisher, Jellyholm, Alloa, N.B.
		Mr. Edwin Hodge Banks	Moss Hawk	74	0	74	Mr. John Bell, Stenton, St. Monnae, R.S.O., N.B. Mr. William Tod, East Brackley, Kinross, N.B. Mr. James Thom, Leden Urquhart, Gaterside, Fife, N.B.
		Mr. Duncan Hoyle Gibb	Harpagon	28	1	29	Mr. John H. Dickson, Dalgle, Threwhill, Dumfriesshire, N.B. Mr. J. L. Drew, Doonhill, Newton Stewart, N.B. Mr. J. McKie, Ernespie, Castle Douglas, N.B.
K	4	Mr. William Wilson	Sir Harry	57	0	57	Mr. William Ross, Cathay House, Cullen, N.B. Mr. J. S. Robertson, Cavender Estate Office, Nairn, N.B. Mr. J. P. Stuart, Orbiston, Fochabers, N.B.
		Do.	Malibona	29	0	29	Mr. Adam P. Cross, Craigiehall, Cramond Bridge, Midlothian. Mr. William Ford, Fentonburn, Devon. Mr. Thomas M. Skirving, Niddrie-Mains, Edinburgh. Mr. James Wylie, Royal Ban Lof Scotland, Leven Street, Edinburgh.
L	1	Do.	Malibona	29	0	29	
Totals				1,360	67	1,427	

APPENDIX E.

RETURN of the NUMBER of STALLIONS exhibited in each DISTRICT CLASS at the LONDON SHOW in the Year 1895.
NAMES of OWNERS and winning and selected STALLIONS, together with NAMES and ADDRESSES of the DISTRICT COMMITTEE.

District Class.	Number of stallions exhibited.	Owner of Stallion.	Stallion.	District Committee.
A	16	H.R.H. Prince of Wales, K.G.	Serga Plato	Sir William Ffolkes, Bart., Hillington, Lynn, Norfolk. Mr. A. C. Fountaine, Narsford Hall, Swantham, Norfolk. Mr. C. D. Seymour, Barwick House, King's Lynn.
		Mr. Alexander Fraser	British Prince	Mr. R. Bond, Old Bank House, 6, Rutter Market, Ipswich. Mr. A. J. Smith, Southfield, Woodbridge. Mr. G. E. Walker, Woodbridge, Suffolk.
		Mr. Walter Norman Richardson	Pumpernickel	Mr. E. B. Barnard, Grove Lodge, Sawbridgeworth, Herts. Mr. W. Smith, The Links, Bishop's Stortford, Herts. Mr. J. Lewis Wynn, Haverbeck, Bishop's Stortford, Herts.
B	12	Mr. Edward Joceline Percy	Brayton	Mr. R. Brydon, Londonderry Office, Seaham Harbour, Co. Durham. Mr. Clement Stephenson, Sandford Villa, Newcastle-on-Tyne. Mr. George Wilkinson, Shotton Grange, Blagdon, near Cramlington.
		Mr. Walter Hiffe	Bolton Park	Mr. G. L. Hoggarth, Westmoreland and Kendal Agricultural Society, Kendal. Mr. J. Wakefield, Sedgewick House, Kendal. Mr. C. H. Wilson, Otterholm, Kendal.
		Mr. Albert Octavius Haslewood	Four Poster	Mr. Anthony Marshall, Amsted, Chathill, Northumberland. Mr. G. O. Ren, Middleton, Woburn, Northumberland. Mr. T. Tomlinson, Bulliff Gate, Alnwick.
C	17	Mr. William Parkin Moore	King Ebor	Mr. G. J. Bell, 1, Lonsdale Street, Carlisle. Mr. John Steel, Warton, Cumberland. Mr. J. Thomson, Estate Office, Hexton, Carlisle.
		Mr. Thomas Constable	Belville	Mr. Frank Godson, Temple Cross, Lincoln. Mr. E. F. Rawnsley, M.F.H., Girsby Manor, Lincoln. Mr. J. Tomlinson, Birtcher Manor, Billingborough, Lincolnshire.
		Earl of Dyar	Marion	Mr. Algernon Hack, Buckminster, Grantham. Mr. J. Hornsby, Stapleford Park, Melton Mowbray. Mr. J. Eakin, Hasky, Grantham, Lincs.
D	30	Mr. Albert Octavius Haslewood	Red Eagle	Mr. J. Barron, Borewash, Derby. Mr. S. Barton, Derbyshire Agricultural Society, Derby. Mr. F. Drewry, Buxton, Derby.
		Mr. Robert Nassau Sutton-Nelthorpe	Special Plesier	Mr. Harry Brooks, Keelby Grange, Brockbury, Lincs. Mr. Walter Ellis, South Ferry Grange, Barton-on-Humber, Hull. Mr. E. C. Lovick, Swallow Vale, Calster.
		Earl Cowley	Woodstone	Mr. T. Hooper Denson, The Repository, Swinton, Wilts. Mr. T. R. Miller, M.F.H., The Kennels, Cricklade, Wilts. Mr. Arthur Rich, Oakley, Malmesbury, Wilts.
E	9	Mr. Peregrine Percy Pratt	Eglamore	Mr. C. Leveson-Gower, Titsey Place, Limpsfield, Surrey. Mr. W. H. J. Hogg, Oakleigh, Peasbury, Tunbridge Wells. Mr. T. Hooker, Broxham, Edenbridge, Kent. Mr. H. O. Hoare, M.F.H., Standen House, Godstone, Surrey.
		Mr. William Wilson	Sir Harry	Mr. T. J. Bennett, M.F.H., Cobham Court, Cobham, Surrey. Mr. Harry Fuller, 33, High Street, Croydon, Surrey. Mr. W. Wood, Hild Court, Hild, Crawley, Sussex.
		Earl of Harewood	Bahadur	Mr. E. C. Brooksbank, Reaugh Old Hall, Tadcaster. Mr. C. M. S. Pilkington, Harewood, Leeds. Mr. F. W. Slingsby, Red House, Moor Monkton, York.
F	22	Mr. Duncan Hoyle Gibb	Harpepin	Mr. W. Harland, Ripon Agricultural Association, Ripon, Yorks. Mr. T. S. Mason, Fountains Hall, Ripon. Mr. W. C. P. Snowden, Riscy Hall, Ripley, Yorks.
		Lord Middleton	Sherbrooke	Mr. H. Cholmondeley, Estate Office, Skodmers, Yorks. Mr. W. Garforth, Swinton Grange, Melton. Mr. F. Reynard, Sanderlandwick, Driffield.
		Mr. Thomas Carr	Crom-a-loo	Mr. Fredk. Ames, M.F.H., Hawford Lodge, Worcester. Sir Harry F. Vernon, Bart., Hanbury Hall, Droitwich. Mr. C. W. Wicksted, Shaltonhurst, Chobury Mortimer, Salop.
G	12	Mr. John Rees	Glory Smitten	Mr. J. T. Fisher, Damant, Haverfordwest. Mr. E. H. Harries, Treffarnie Hall, Haverfordwest. Mr. W. V. Thomas, Estate Agent, Carmarthen.
		Mr. Eusebius Gustavus Crowhurst	Just in Time	Mr. Phillip S. Dushy, Church Farm, Offchurch, Leamington. Mr. J. H. Davis, Old Park, Warwick. Mr. W. Gilbert, 37, Charendon Avenue, Leamington.
		Mr. Arthur Pemberton Heywood Lonsdale	Wiburnum	Mr. H. Ker Colville, Bellaport Hall, Market Drayton. Mr. H. W. Fell, Shaxington Grange, Market Drayton. The Hon. G. Ormsby-Gore, The Lodge, Malpas, Cheshire.
H	3	Messrs. George and Phillip Steel	Blue Grass	Mr. A. Biley, Bartle Hall, Preston. Mr. Jas. S. Fair, Estate Office, Lytham. Mr. Walter Mucklow, Elton Grange, Bury, Lancs.
		Duke of Hamilton and Brandon	Par-ci-par-la	The Hon. J. E. Cross, High Leigh, Knutsford. Mr. J. Hornby, Knowsley Estate Office, Prescot. Mr. Colin Melver, Estate Office, Warrington.
		Earl of Shrewsbury	Sydenham	Rev. J. Armitstead, The Vineyard, Sandbach, Cheshire. Mr. John Edwards, Haslington Hall, Crewe. Mr. Thomas Parton, Weston Hall, Crewe.
I	5	Mr. John Hutchison	Chip Chase	Mr. Thomas Calder, Swinton Hill, Coldstream, N.B. Mr. James Elliot, Burnhead, Hawick, N.E.
		Mr. Edwin Hodge Banks	Moss Hawk	Mr. W. Blackie, The Stables, Montrose, Leven, Fife. Mr. John Scott, Ballone, St. Andrews, N.B. Mr. T. Webster, Nisbetfield, Collieston, Fife.

District Class.	Number of Stallions exhibited.	Owner of Stallion.	Stallion.	District Committee.
J	2	Mr. John Hutchison - - -	Clanranald - - -	Mr. J. H. Dickson, Dalton, Thornhill, Dumfriesshire, N.B. Mr. J. L. Drew, Dconhill, Newton Stewart, N.B. Mr. J. McKie, Ermspie, Castle Douglas, N.B.
K	4	Mr. George Jeffery - - -	Dry Toad - - -	Mr. William Ross, Hilton Farm, Rockin, N.B. Mr. J. K. Robertson, Cardor Estate Office, Nairn, N.B. Mr. J. P. Stuart, Orbliston, Fochabers, N.B.
L	5	Mr. Frank Godson - - -	The Salt - - -	Mr. William Ford, Fentonburn, Drem, N.B. Mr. James Leslie, Boghall, Lamlithgow. Mr. T. M. Skirving, Niddrie Mains, Edinburgh. Mr. James Wyllie, Royal Bank of Scotland, Leven Street, Edinburgh.

APPENDIX F.

The following Table shows the Number of Stallions entered at the Shows in the Spring of the Years 1889 to 1895 inclusive:—

1889.	1890.	1891.	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.
90	98	105	117	105	97	124

The following gives the Number of Stallions sent by the Judges for Veterinary Examination, and the Number passed as Sound by the Veterinary Inspectors:—

	1889.	1890.	1891.	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.
Stallions sent for veterinary inspection -	52	60	52	58	55	47	56
Stallions passed as sound after veterinary inspection -	35	43	38	33	44	42	46

The Number of Stallions rejected by the Veterinary Inspectors, and the reason and cause thereof:—

Causes for Disqualification.	1889.	1890.	1891.	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.
Roaring - - - - -	—	4	1	2	—	—	2
Whistling - - - - -	—	—	—	10	3	2	1
Unsound feet - - - - -	—	2	1	1	—	1	—
Ringbone - - - - -	—	—	4	—	—	1	2
Navicular disease - - - - -	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Spavin - - - - -	—	9	8	5	4	1	5
Cataract - - - - -	—	2	—	7	4	—	—
Total rejected in each year -	17*	17	14	25	11	5	10

* No particulars for 1889.