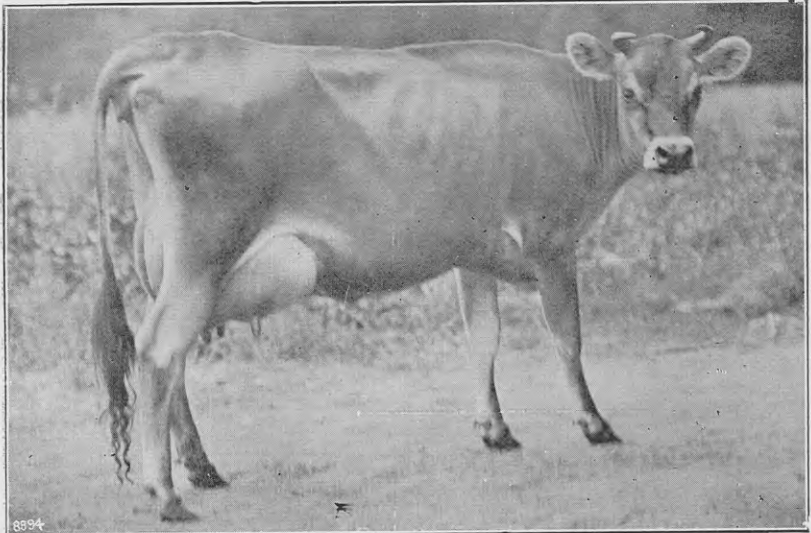


## CERTIFICATE-OF-RECORD DAIRY COWS.

### A WORLD'S RECORD.

W. M. SINGLETON, Assistant Director, Dairy Division.

NEW ZEALAND'S system of certificate-of-record testing has been in operation only four seasons, but the authenticated records of the best producers in each class have given us reason to believe that there are in this Dominion strains of purebred dairy cattle equal to anything in other countries. Until the present month (6th



MERE.

Photo taken at the commencement of her milking-period.

October), however, we had not been in a position to grant a certificate on a production of butter-fat that constituted a world's record for the class according to the age of the animal at commencement of test.

So far as our office records give us an indication, we believe that we now have in New Zealand the world's best yearling in Mere, owned by Mr. F. S. McRae, of Palmerston North. This heifer commenced milking at the age of 1 year 346 days, and in 365 days has a credit for 12,164 lb. milk, containing 663.64 lb.