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Show secretaries are requested to notify us of appointments and dates for all shows to be held by them. All items of interest, such as matches, meetings of kennel or specialty clubs, will be welcomed and given due publicity. In short, we want this paper to be of every assistance to the fancy in as wide a sphere as possible. All matter intended for publication should be written to one side of the paper only and must be accompanied by the writer's name and address, not necessarily for publication, but as a private guarantee of good faith.

A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS of the Canadian Kennel Club will be held in the offices of the Club on January 16th, commencing at 8 p.m.

A meeting of the Board of Directors will be held at the Carls-Rite Hotel, Toronto, on Wednesday, Feb. 5, at 2 p.m.

A large attendance is requested at the Annual Meeting of the Canadian Kennel Club at the Carls-Rite Hotel, Toronto, on February 5th, at 8 p.m.

Meeting of the Board of Directors of the C.K.C.

Held at the office of the club on December 19th, at 8 p.m.

Members present: the president, Mr. Jos. Russell, in the chair; also Messrs. W. R. Aitken, C. W. Dickinson, J. H. Kenyon, F. W. Lewis, C. L. McQuillan, J. D. Strachan and D. Wheeler.

As the secretary-treasurer was unable to attend, Mr. James D. Strachan was appointed secretary for the meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting were read by the secretary, and it was moved and seconded that they be approved. Carried.

The board of directors decided to adopt the sample certificates of Alexander and Cable, for championship certificates of this club, and instructed the secretary to immediately purchase (100) one hundred.

The secretary presented the following bills of expenses of the club for the past month:

Cost of notes to Ottawa.....	\$.22
Bell Telephone Co.....	13.00
Armstrong and Marr, printing..	20.00
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D. A. Balfour and Co.....	7.85
Stamps, mailing ballots.....	20.00
Jar of Paste.....	.75
Electric Light75
Exchange	1.30
Salaries	305.00

Cuts	14.05
Messenger, K. and B.....	.30

Total.....\$409.52

Moved and seconded that they be paid. Carried.

The following applications for membership were received: Mr. Oscar Roy, Sanmaur, Champlain Co., P.Q.; H. J. O'Neill, Hamilton; C. H. Cunnings, Brule, Alta.; A. F. Boorman, Montreal; H. R. Morrison, Pilot Butte, Sask.; George C. Rogers, Ottawa; L. S. Moore, Ottawa; Jim McCutcheon, Toronto; D. Dalziel, Toronto; R. L. Wainwright, Brantford; J. F. Beney, Brantford.

Moved and seconded that they be accepted. Carried.

Moved and seconded that the volumes of the stud books necessary to complete our set be secured at price quoted by Mr. R. F. Faleoner. Carried.

The proposed change of Dog Show Rules and Regulations be left on the table until the next meeting.

Mr. James D. Strachan gave the report on the Branshaw vs. Billinger case, and after full consideration it was agreed unanimously that the board of directors, after considering the complaint of Mr. A. Bradshaw against Mr. E. W. Brillinger, come to the conclusion that Mr. Brillinger carried out his part of the bargain in a right and proper manner, and the complaint was therefore dismissed.

The meeting then adjourned.

Britain, which club is affiliated with the American Kennel Club of the U.S.A., under a reciprocity agreement. Therefore, should either of the said clubs disqualify any person for violation of their rules, the Canadian Kennel Club is bound under the said agreement to recognize such disqualification upon proper notification thereof.

REG. XIX.—The classification at show shall be arranged and published in the premium list and catalogue as follows:

Large Dogs—

Basset Hounds—Rough.
Basset Hounds—Smooth.
Blood Hounds.
Deer Hounds.
Fox Hounds—American.
Fox Hounds—English.
Grey Hounds.
Otter Hounds.
Wolf Hounds—Irish.
Wolf Hounds—Russian.
Chesapeake Bay Dogs.
Collies—Rough.
Collies—Smooth.
Esquimaux Husky.
Esquimaux Mallimuth.
Great Danes.
Mastiffs.
Newfoundlands.
St. Bernards—Rough.
St. Bernards—Smooth.
Pointers.
Pinschers.
Retrievers—Curly Coated.
Retrievers—Wavy Coated.
Labradors.
Setters—English.
Setters—Gordon.
Setters—Irish.
Sheep Dogs—Belgian.
Sheep Dogs—Old English.
Sheep Dogs—Russian (Owtchar).

Medium Size Dogs—

Airedale Terriers.
Bedlington Terriers.
Black and Tan Terriers.
Boston Terriers.
Bull Terriers—English.
Cairn Terriers.
Fox Terriers—Smooth.
Fox Terriers—Wire.
Irish Terriers.
Roseneath Terriers.
Scotch Terriers.
Sealyham Terriers.
West Highland White.
White English Terriers.
Beagles.
Boxers.
Bulldogs—English.
Bulldog—French.
Dachunds.
Dalmatians.
Dandie Dinmont Terriers.
Chow Chows.
Griffons.
Harriers.
Poodles—Corded.
Poodles—Curly.
Samoyedes.
Spaniels—Clumber.
Spaniels—Cocker.

Spaniels—Field.
Spaniels—Irish Water.
Spaniels—Springers.
Spaniels—Sussex.
Whippets.

Small Size and Cage Dogs—

Chihuahuas.
Chinese—Crested.
Griffons—Brussel.
Mexican—Hairless.
Papillons.
Pomeranians.
Pekingese.
Pugs.
Spaniels—Japanese.
Spaniels—English Toy.
Schipperkes.
Skye Terriers.
Poodles—Toy.
Italian Greyhounds.
Terriers—Toy.
Terriers, White—English Toy.
Yorkshire Terriers.
REG. XX.—Amendments.

The dog show rules and regulations governing clubs may be amended at any annual or general meeting of the club by the affirmative vote of three-fourths of the members present, but notice of all proposed amendments must be given to the secretary of the club six days in advance of the meeting, and shall be included in the notice calling such meeting, otherwise the meeting shall have no power to act thereon, and no new rule shall be effective until ninety days after its passage.

Regulations governing clubs, etc., are not to be published in the premium lists.

Amendments to Regulations Governing Clubs Holding Dog Shows Under C. K. C. Rules.

REG. I., Sec. 1.—Dates. Cancel and substitute therefor:

Application for license to hold a dog show.

Reg. I., Sec. 1.—

Application for dates to hold a dog show must be made on the official form prescribed by the Canadian Kennel Club and filed with the secretary for approval by the directors, or such committee as may be authorized to grant license dates, but no dates shall be granted for more than three months previous to the opening of the show.

Judge's books must be provided and used at all shows held under Canadian Kennel Club rules, and must be marked by the judges themselves. Judge's books can be had from the Canadian Kennel Club at cost price.

Cancel Reg. IV., and substitute therefor:

REG. IV.—Duration of show.

The duration of a show shall not exceed four days, and no license dates

shall be granted to a four-day show except on the understanding that all dogs are permitted to be removed not later than 6 p.m. on the fourth day.

The committee of a show shall provide every exhibitor with a free pass enabling him or her to enter the show during its continuance.

Entries.

REG. V.—Cancel the following sentence in second paragraph:

"Errors on part of the management or printers' errors excepted," and substitute therefor: "Except where an entry was duly mailed or received, but inadvertently omitted to be entered, or wrongly assigned in the catalogue."

Add the following:

All entries must be made on the official entry forms in ink or indelible pencil. No official may fill up an entry form except his own, or alter any entry after it has been made. All entry forms must be signed by the exhibitor or his duly authorized agent in accordance with provisions specified thereon. All such entry sheets must be sent by registered mail to the secretary of the Canadian Kennel Club, Toronto, within ten days after the close of the show.

Cancel Regulation XI, and substitute therefor:

REG. XI.—Listing.

A club giving show must assume the responsibility of collecting listing fees for the Canadian Kennel Club, which fact must be stated on the entry form and in the premium list; such fees with complete data must be forwarded to the secretary of the Canadian Kennel Club, Toronto, Ontario, within ten days from the date of closing the show. Penalty for non-compliance, three dollars per day.

REG. XII.—Should be added:

All dogs entered in the catalogue, whether for competition or not, must be benched for the duration of the show.

REG. XIII.—Add the following:

An official catalogue containing a full and correct list of all entries, with absentees and awards marked therein, and certified to by the secretary of the show, together with the judge's books and entry sheets, must be sent by registered mail to the secretary of the Canadian Kennel Club, Toronto, Ont., within ten days from the last day of the show.

The above changes have been suggested, and will be submitted at the next general meeting.—Ed.

Following are a few reasons regarding the proposed amendments to the Dog Show Rules. The changing in the wording of Rules II., III., and V. make the reading of these rules more explicit and easier understood.

The addition to Rule XV. is proper, and has been in force with the parent and sister clubs for some years past.

RULE XVII.—Rating.

The amendment to change the rating points towards a championship to be based on the actual number of dogs benched in each breed is a step in the right direction. This plan has been in vogue for some time on the other side, and has given general satisfaction; moreover, it is the fairer method for all.

RULE XIX.—The addition proposed to this rule we find is essential.

RULE XXII.—The proposed wording of this rule is more complete, and covers the ground fully.

RULE XXX.—The insertion of this rule is necessary in the Dog Show Rules. It is somewhat similar to the present Regulation XVIII., except that the color of the Winners ribbon is changed to royal purple (as used by the English and American Kennel Clubs, and that the ribbons must bear the initials or seal of the C. K. C. dates, etc.

With reference to the amendments proposed in the Regulations Governing Show-giving Clubs:

Reg. I., Sec. 1, is in order.

Reg. IV.—Duration of Show.—The amendment provides that all dogs may be removed at 6 p.m. on the fourth day of the show. This is also a step in the right direction, but to our mind does not go far enough; a four-days' show is a heavy strain on most pure-bred dogs, a three-days' show is sufficiently long, and should prove more beneficial and satisfactory to all concerned. There has been a great deal of dissatisfaction expressed by exhibitors at the long duration of some shows, and the late hour dogs are unnecessarily detained on the closing evening of the shows.

Reg. V.—The amendment gives all the necessary latitude in case of errors, without leaving the door wide open.

Regulations XV., XVIII., XIX. and XX.—The proposed amendments are in order.

Should the aforesaid amendments be put in force it will only be necessary to publish the "Dog Show Rules" in the premium lists. The regulations governing show-giving clubs, etc., are published

for the guidance of show secretaries and committees.

There has been a lot of unnecessary correspondence and extra work caused at the head office of the C. K. C. in rectifying errors, explaining rules, etc., and also much delay and trouble in getting some show secretaries to make proper returns of listing fees, wins, etc., within any reasonable time. Now that the war is ended it is to be hoped that irregularities of this nature will in future be avoided.

NOTES FROM B.C.

Mrs. Thornton Sharp of Victoria, B. C., mated her wire bitch Lyncoote Hayseed with W. M. Coat's new dog, Hummerstone Tornado. Lyncoote Hayseed went from puppy to winners at the Vancouver Exhibition last August, and should breed some champions from this mating.

Mr. Grant, owner of Grant's Ch. Killarney Marion, was given a royal welcome by all the Vancouver fanciers who were highly pleased to have him home and amongst them again. He states that he will lose no time in getting in the game again.

Dr. T. E. Sleeth, owner of the well-known Futurity Kennels, has a brace of English bulldog pups out of his imported bitch by Cytra Sam that all the fanciers agree look like the real goods. He also has a very promising litter out of his big winner Futurity Anna Bradford, a bitch that has won more prizes than any bulldog in B.C. He also has a nice litter of wire fox terriers by his own dog Ch. First Attempt, who is the sire of Mrs. G. O. Alsen's Second Attempt, who went from puppy to winners at the May 24th last, and has been shown fearlessly by Mrs. Alsen every since, and always is amongst the top fliers at every show, securing winners three times, and best shown by a lady several times.

J. J. Jackson has purchased from Mr. White two pups sired by his imported bulldog Failsworth White Count, out of Swansea All White, a bitch bred by Mr. Jackson. Her dam, Failsworth White Countess, one of the best bitches imported from England, and her sire, Failsworth Buckler, were also imported by Mr. Jackson, who says the

bitch pup is the best he ever saw at that age, and has refused many flattering offers for the pup.

The Terminal City Kennel Club intend holding a parlor show in the near future. At a meeting of the club, Dr. T. E. Sleeth was chosen as judge of all breeds. The genial doctor's name had no opposition, as every member knows the vast experience he has had fully qualifies him to place the awards. He knows them, and will place them where they belong.

Mr. Mewburn, of Hamilton, Ont., was a visitor to the city, and we had a very pleasant talk over fox terriers, of which he is one of the principal breeders and prize-winners of our fair Dominion.

Mr. John Mann sold Lady Eglinton, the smooth fox terrier bitch that was first puppy, and also secured winners at the Vancouver Exhibition, to Jack Fletcher of Calgary, who changed her name to Brockley Flash. She went to Nanaimo show, and secured winners, and won special for best puppy in the show, all breeds. She was sired by Coats' Prince Rustem of Devonshire Niggs.

NEW BRUNSWICK KENNEL CLUB

At a recent meeting of the New Brunswick Kennel Club, held in St. John, the following board of officers were elected for the coming year:

President, W. George Gray; first vice-president, J. W. Cameron; second vice-president, E. J. Wallace; secretary, W. C. McKay; treasurer, J. V. McLellan; executive committee, LeBaron Wilson, H. Bert Porter, Bliss A. Smith, Wm. Kiervan, Joseph Ritchie, R. Alward.

A report from show committee that the annual show held in October was a success financially was received. Plans were made for a series of three evening shows during the winter months, the first to be held in January.

Mr. W. H. Short has two nice litters of wires. Six by Regal Curio, dam Ch. Oldcliffe Biddy, and seven by the noted American-bred Ch. Pride's Hill Tweak 'Em, dam Royal Vic.

OUR RECENT SHOWS

TERMINAL CITY K. C.

The parlor show held at Cotillion Hall on November 27th under the auspices of the Terminal City Kennel Club attracted a big entry and proved to be one of the most successful staged by the club for some time. The English Setter Snowden Lady Rowland carried off the chief prize, awarded for the best dog in the show. The Airedale, Cranbrook, and the Fox Terrier, Sandown Let Fly, attracted attention from Dr. T. E. Sleeth, who officiated as judge. Iron Hague, the English Bulldog puppy, also created a favorable impression. The results:

Best in show—Snowdon Lady Rowland, E. E. Gravell.

Best owned by non-member of club—Sandown Let Fly, Mrs. A. R. C. Littledale.

Puppy sweepstakes—Snowdon Lady Rowland, E. E. Gravell; Sandown Let Fly, Mrs. A. R. C. Littledale; Iron Hague, London Kennels.

Open Sweepstakes—Snowdon Lady Rowland, E. E. Gravell; Cranbrook, N. McLeod; Obo Princess III, Mr. McGauvran.

English Bulldogs, 3 to 6 months, dogs, Iron Hague, London Kennels.

Airedales—3 to 6 years, dogs, Highbury Bouncing Boy, Mr. Bamford; 6 to 9, bitches, Daisy, Mrs. V. G. Young; open bitches, Daisy, Mrs. V. G. Young; Glenside Country Lass, Mr. N. McLeod; open dogs, Cranbrook, Mr. N. McLeod.

English Bull Terriers—9 to 12 months, bitches, Gaiety Girl, Mr. Riley.

American Bull Terriers—6 to 9

Yorkshire Terriers—3 to 6 years, Little Midge, Mr. J. Rose.

Boston Terriers—3 to 6 months, Juno, Mrs. Dunn; Mandaleau, Mr. Pelkey; open bitches, Tess C., Mr. Cameron.

Cocker Spaniels, Black—3 to 6 months, Obo Mac, Mr. McGauvran; 3 to 6, bitches, Kinky Obo, Mr. McGauvran; 9 to 12, Bessie, Mr. Fraser; open; Obo Princess III, Mr. McGauvran; Kinky Obo, Mr. McGauvran.

Cocker Spaniels, Black and White—6 to 9, dogs, Wentworth Joe, E. H. Wannette; open, dogs, Wentworth Joe, E. H. Wannette.

Sable Collies—Sandy XXVII, J. Thompson.

Red Cocker—9 to 12 months, Red Vimy, M. Anthony.

English Setters—3 to 6 months, dogs, Yanto, W. M. Coats; 6 to 12, bitches, Snowden Lady Rowland, E. E. Gravell; open bitch, Snowden Lady Rowland, E. E. Gravell.

Poms, Sable—9 to 12 months, bitches, Trixie, T. G. Bertram; open dogs, Symonds' Delight, Mrs. Symonds; Tango,

Mr. Thomson; open bitch, Cinderella, Mr. T. Moore.

Poms, Black—9 to 12 months, bitch, Tiny, T. G. Bertram; open dogs, Black Matoma, Mr. T. Moore.

Jap Spaniels—Open dogs, Hoppy, Mrs. Cathcart.

Smooth Fox Terriers—3 to 6 months, bitch, Lady Cecil, John Ames; 6 to 9, bitch, Tartar, Mr. Smith; open bitch, Tartar, Mr. Smith; Lady Lothien, John Ames, Lady Cecil, John Ames; 3 to 6, dogs, St. Jobien, John Ross; open dogs, St. Jobien, John Ross; Carlton Special, W. E. Fenn.

Wire Fox Terriers—3 to 6 months, dogs, Chummy, John Frazer; 9 to 12, Sandown Letfly, Mrs. A. R. C. Littledale.

BULLDOG BREEDERS' SUCCESSFUL EVENING SHOW

The Bulldog Breeders' Association held their third matinee show for the season in the Broadway Hall. The excellent inducement drew an entry of 93, which constitutes a record for an evening specialty show. The judge on this occasion was Mr. H. Peabody of Peterboro. There were many nice youngsters brought out, and most of the topnotchers were present, which made the contests more interesting. Following is a list of the awards:

Puppies, 2 to 4 months—1, J. Morgan's Jesse Marne; 2, E. Morris' Rydal Lady; 3, Mr. Hicks' Buster. Puppies, 4 to 6 months—1, Mr. Hicks' Buster; 2, E. Morris' Rydal Lady; 3, J. Morris' Rydal Ella. Puppies, 6 to 9 months—1, W. Baker's Horatio; 2, Gaull's Sandfield Vivian; 3, G. Ayer's Dermott Boy. Puppy dogs, under 12 months—1, A repeat; 2, Dermott Boy; 3, E. Simmonds' Sanfield Victor. Junior dogs and bitches—1, B. Copley's Roxton Boy; 2, G. P. Farrell's Prince Rowland; 3, N. Renwick's Freckles. Novice dogs—1, Prince Rowland; 2, Horatio; 3, Dermott Boy. Limit dogs, under 45 pounds—1, Prince Rowland; 2, H. A. Wilson's Jellicoe Westall; 3, N. Renwick's Toronto Lad. Limit dogs, over 45 pounds—1, W. J. Mountain's Bashful Boy of Lambare; 2, Mrs. Briggs' Marcus Brutus; 3, W. J. Mountain's Baron of Lambare. Open dogs—1, H. T. Gubb's Kuburn Fascinator; 2, Bashful Boy of Lambare; 3, Jellicoe Westall. Canadian-bred dogs and bitches—1, Roxton Boy; 2, Bashful Boy of Lambare; 3, Prince Rowland. Imported dogs and bitches—1, Kilburn Fascinator; 2, Jellicoe Westall; 3, Baron of Lambare. Green dogs and bitches—1, E. Lichfield's Ridge Queen; 2, G. Clarke's Brimstone; 3, Mr. Simond's Sandfield Victor. Puppy bitches—1, G. Gaull's Sandfield Vivian. Novice bitch-

es—1, G. H. Ridge's Lorna Doon; 2, Mrs. J. Graburn, Melton Doll; 3, T. D. Dobinson's Water Lily. Limit bitches under 40 pounds—1, N. Renwick's Freckles; 2, Lorna Doon; 3, Mr. Rick's Cask. Limit bitches over 40 pounds—1, Mrs. J. Graburn's Pudgie; 2, T. Taylor's Lady Margaret; 3, Water Lily. Open bitches—1, N. Renwick's Blue Diamond; 2, Lorna Doon; 3, Freckles. Best dog, Kilburn Fascinator; best bitch, Blue Diamond.

The date fixed for the next bulldog show is January 8th, 1919, and the judge will be Mr. B. J. McKillian of Hamilton.

TORONTO KENNEL CLUB

The above club held their second evening show for the season in the Broadway Hall on December 17th, and it drew a bumping entry and a large crowd. The three judging rings were kept busy and the judges had to do some tall hustling to complete their task. Mr. C. L. McQuillan adjudicated the Boston Terriers, and drew a large entry; Mr. George Ashby went over a nice collection of Collies; Mrs. P. Herd handled the Toys in a very satisfactory manner, and Mr. F. Smith, the large breeds; Mr. Albert Mitchell of Chicago, judged all other breeds, Variety classes and General Specials.

Everything passed off in a very satisfactory manner, and reflects great credit on the management, who are keeping in line with the requirements of the present day fancy. Following is a list of the special prize winners:

Boston Terriers—Best bitch, Lady Evelyn. Best dog, Yankee Sensation.

Bulldogs—Best bitch, Freckles. Best dog, King Moston.

Collies—Best bitch, Coltness Kim. Best dog, Ch. Coltness Clinker.

Fox Terrier (Smooth)—Vogel's Lena.

Fox Terriers (Wire)—Best dog, Pentagon Prince.

Setters—Parkdale Red Feather.

Scotch Terriers—Argyle Grace.

Best Airedale—Birchcliffe Selected.

Irish Terriers—Barney Blackthorn.

Whippets—Royal Oak.

Beagles—Robert O'Dobenair.

Cocker Spaniels—Senator B.

St. Bernards—The King's Son.

Dalmatians—Beauty Cornfield.

Toy Black and Tans—Gay Boy.

Toy Poodles—Buster Wiggins.

Maltese Terriers—Emar De Malta.

Pekingese—Ku Ang.

Yorkshire Terriers—Haslington Fenton Hero.

Toy Spaniels—Devonshire Boy.

Pomeranians—Lauder Princess.

Variety Classes—A. A. Puppy, 1, H. M. Jackson's Boston Terrier Dream Girl; 2, J. W. Bain's Airedale Birchcliffe Selected; 3, J. T. Waggett's Colie Arndale Gladiola.

A. V. Terrier—1, Mrs. Card's Emer De Malta; 2, Mr. Allen's Fox Terrier Pentagon Prince; 3, Mr. Bell's Irish Terrier Barney Blackstone.

A. V. Non-sporting—1, Levack and Jackson's Bulldog King Moston; 2, Arndale Gladiola; 3, T. E. Carter's Boston Lloyd George.

A. V. Sporting—1, Mr. Jack Swann's Setter Parkdale Red Feather; 2, C. Bowerbank's Cocker Senator B; 3, J. King's Whippet Royal Oak.

A. V. Toy—1, Emer De Malta; 2, J. T. Waggett's Airedale Mab; 3, Trainor and Bowra Pekingese San Toy of Louvain.

Best in show—King Moston.

Best of opposite sex—Parkdale Red Feather.

The next of these popular evening shows will be held on January 16th, in the Broadway Hall, and we understand that Bob Ross of Montreal will be the all-rounder.

SHORT BARKS FROM LONDON.

Mr. James Murphy has three good wire puppies by Mr. Short's good dog Regal Curio.

Mr. Charles Webber has a dog puppy by Birchcliffe Baron that looks like the goods in English bulldogs.

Mr. J. D. Eagan has had the hard luck to lose his noted white West Highland terrier bitch Lothian Lady. She whelped four puppies, and all died with her. Not only is this a financial loss, but Mr. Eagan loves his dogs, and will miss her.

The dog game should boom now the world's war is over, as all lines of sport have suffered. U. S. A. have only been in the war a short time compared to Canada, yet their dog shows have been cancelled from east to west. This can not be said of us here.

The Boston terrier and toy breeders are going strong here now.

Sooner or later—you will subscribe for the Kennel and Bench—**WHY NOT NOW?**

OUR MAIL BAG

We received the following letter from the well-known proprietor of the Cactus Kennels, and feel sure it will be of interest to our readers:

Editor Kennel and Bench.

Dear Sir—This is a little thing I thought I would like to ask the fanciers through the pages of their paper, Kennel and Bench.

Dogs have been troubled with Spanish flu. This decision has been arrived at after going into symptoms of the dogs, with some of our leading doctors. To give you the symptoms as I have found them, I will state as briefly as possible, so that any fancier that has seen some of their dogs in the same condition and didn't know what it was may have also to help others that may take it again.

I will take a dog that has always a cheery welcome for you when you come around, with his little bark, and generally lively.

The first thing I noticed was his little cheery bark was gone. Naturally I thought it would be distemper, as the first glance showed me that he had the looks of a cold in his eyes, as they were very watery (not gummed). He still wagged his tail, but moved slowly. I took him away from his kennel mates to watch him more closely. Finding that he had a sniffing cough, but very dry; his tongue was hot. I tried him with a little Virol, but he had no idea of food of any kind. This was at night. I gave him a dose of castor oil, intending to see him better or worse in the morning. Next morning he wouldn't eat, and his eyes looked heavy, and still highly fevered, so I gave him asperin and quinine, but the poor little fellow died that night. Although it looked like distemper in an odd way, only the nose and eyes were perfectly clear of gum. Now I have had others take this flu, and it has acted different every time. In one case, after starting in the same as the first, and after I had checked the fever the bad came out through the skin on the neck and head is a vile matter that I fomented well and kept it soft with oils. Another one showed having a cold, and when it developed to a head she took vomiting spells and the stuff she brought up was black as coal and vile smelling. I found the best way to get them on their feet again was a dose of oil first, four hours later two grains of quinine, then use

some good cough cure such as pine tar and cod liver oil, and each day give two grains of quinine, only food to be fluids. Keep warm, but give plenty of fresh air. Disinfect freely.

I write this because some dogs may take it again, and their owners not know that it is flu, and not distemper.

Yours truly,

A. P. SEMPLE.

OUR WAR DOGS.

You were asking, I think, where our dogs have all gone?

Well, we're "somewhere in France" with out gas helmets on

We are serving the colors—the Red, White, and Blue—

Alongside our French comrades, so stalwart and true.

Now your colonels and captains are all very well,

And the deeds of your armies all newspapers tell,

Of the sea, land and air force you make a great fuss,

But they wouldn't, I warn you, do much without us.

We're "the Fourth Force," we dogs, and we're doing our share,

And if you give us no credit—well, that isn't fair!

We too have our ailments, our wounds, and our "losses,"

But you never give us your medals and crosses.

I wonder sometimes, when the world war is over,

If you'll think it worth while to take us to Dover.

Some of us will be limping, some deaf, and some blind;

Are you going to forsake us and leave us behind?

Our best days we gave you. In life's bleak December,

Oh, bear with us gently, and kindly remember.

W. WILLIAMS, M.A., Oxon.

Freystrop Rectory, Haverfordwest.

Our next issue will contain a full report of the Boston Terrier Specialty Show and the Great Peace Show.

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"Rosemere," by George F. Rogers, Ottawa, Ont.

OUR LONDON LETTER

Buffon had it: "The first art of the man has been the education of the dog, and the fruit of this art, the conquest and peaceful possession of the earth." The discoveries of the paleontology have, indeed, confirmed us in the idea that the dog had been the first animal when the man had been brought under his laws. This auxiliary was indispensable to him as an aid for hunting wild animals, and rendered it possible for him to develop the pastoral life in facilitating the formation and the guarding of herds. We can say, therefore, that the domestication of the dog was the first step on the road towards civilization. It is this very part which he plays nowadays in the Arctic regions where, without him, the human beings which had established themselves around the Pole, would be at a loss how to live and how to subsist. By what concurrence of circumstances had certain human families elected to take domicile in the most savage and the most desolate part of the world, instead of directing themselves towards the countries of sunshine and plenty? It is impossible to answer this nowadays. The fact is, however, that these human creatures had adapted themselves to the rigorous conditions of a painful life, full of sufferings and dangers, and the canine race, not less docile than the human race, had equally modelled itself under the same influences. Knud Rasmussen and Amundsen, who have studied these populations, have found that the Esquimaux who inhabit the bords of the Glacial Ocean, between the Arctic Circle and the sea, constitute but one family, from Greenland up to the bay of St. Michael. They use the same language and they possess the same breed of dogs, whatever difference the local isolation could stamp on the different human tribes and the different varieties of dogs. The origin of the two is as obscure as it is uncertain. With regard to the dogs, it seems that the Esquimaux have not always had these animals at their service, for there is no question of it in the legends and the traditions of these primitive peoples, but in the ancient legends, compiled by Dr. H. Rink, there is a question of the first attempts of the Innuits to be drawn on the snow and on the ice by bears, and a varniverous and ferocious and more or less fantastic ani-

mal called "amarok," which could very well have been a wolf or an analogous ancestor of the latter, from which had been derived the dog of the Esquimaux, as it appears to us in the Arctic regions. If he had existed at the period of which these traditions speak, traditions which belong to great antiquity, it would be surprising that nothing had ever been mentioned of it (Dr. H. Rink, "Tales and Traditions of the Eskimo": London, 1875).

The polar explorations, and especially the accounts of the hunting expeditions, have brought us interesting particulars on dogs used for sleighs, in these regions scarcely open to the European penetration. Among these explorers and these courageous nimrods we must mention Prince E. Demidoff, who went to hunt the misimon and the bear to Kamchatka, and Mr. Paul Niedieck, who made war on all big game in every latitude. The accounts, however, of the missions of the Archdeacon of Yukon, the Rev. Hudson Stuck, in Alaska, which he traversed on sleighs drawn by dogs during the most rigorous seasons, give us the best particulars with regard to the useful auxiliaries of men in these desolate countries. (Hudson Stuck, "Ten Thousand Miles with a Dog Sledge." London, 1917, Werner Laurie, publisher). It would, therefore, be interesting to mention here how this country, only very recently opened to the enterprises of civilization, has come into the circle of preoccupations of the white races.

The northern part of North America, along which runs the Glacial Ocean, has for a long time been ignored by Europeans. Of course, some of the great navigators had tried to reconnoitre its coasts. From the year 1582 the King of Spain, Philip II., to whom the discovery of America had communicated the taste of exploration of the world, had sent an expedition into the north of the Pacific Ocean, to make sure whether Asia was bound to the New World, but the problem had not been solved. It was only after the voyages of discoveries of Behring, to the sea to which he gave his name in 1725 and 1741, and where he left his life, that we began to conceive some ideas about the coast of the north-west of America.

The first explorers of Alaska revealed to the world that this country was

inhabited by an immense number of fur animals, and different countries organized expeditions under the patronage of more or less powerful companies, to collect them. In 1798 was founded the Russo-American company in order to amalgamate all these enterprises, and the town of Kodiak became the centre of considerable operations of an intensive business in furs, so that, little by little, the animals greatly decreased in numbers, and the Russian government, who spread its domination over the whole of Alaska, did not find it any more profitable to renew the concession to the Russo-American Company, and sold in 1867 the whole territory to the United States, to whom the above company also passed over their rights and their appurtenances.

As usual, the traders thought only of making sure of large profits, and had supplied the natives with firearms, which hastened the destruction of fur-coated animals, because with the insouciance habitual to primitive populations, the Indians and Esquimaux had intensified their hunting without seeing that they killed the hen that layed the golden eggs. Therefore, Alaska was on the point of falling again into its polar isolation, abandoned to all the horrors of endless nights, under the winding sheet of snow accumulated by the terrible storms and violent tempests so frequent in these desolate regions, when it was discovered that the soil contained the richest mines in the world, not only in silver, in tin, in copper, in lead, in cinnabar, in plumbago, in bismuth, but also in gold, from Juneau on the coast of Colombia, to the gulf of Kotzebue, on the Behring Straits, from the frontier of Canada to the Glacial Ocean. This accumulation of riches tempted the cupidity of all the adventurers of the world, and as in the case of California, the flood of fortune hunters bent their way towards the inhospitable shores of Alaska, braving "auri sacra fames," all the vicissitudes of the frightful climate. It was in 1875 that we heard first of the layers of gold of the Quease Lake, in the Colombia. Afterwards the auriferous territories of the shores of the Yukon were discovered, on which sprung up the important mining centre of Dawson City, with which in 1898, Nome disputed its prominence, and lastly, in 1904 or 1905,

Fairbanks, on the river Tanana, came forth as a new Eldorado, capable of satisfying the most insatiable avidities. (Paul Niedock, "Cruises in the Behring Sea," London, 1909).

It is then that we see the beginning of the importance of the draught dogs of the Esquimaux and of the Indians, which facilitated the penetration into a country the underground riches of which had just kindled so much covetousness, and which without those dogs, would have been quasi inaccessible.

I will continue this article in my next letter.

G. HOROWITZ,

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SHORT BARKS.

Bert Copley reports a nice litter of five bull pups out of Roxton Girl, by H. T. Gubbs' Regal Rascal. He also informs us that his good young dog Roxton Boy, is doing well at stud, the last matron to visit him was Mr. W. Stroud's bitch Leicester Queen, who gave birth to seven grand puppies.

Miss G. Scott of Toronto is rejoicing over a nice litter of Boston Terriers out of her female Bunker Bean, by Mrs. Ingram's Ch. Little Man. One of these youngsters is showing exceptional promise, and Miss Scott has decided to keep him, and has named him Jacobean.

We hear that Mr. J. W. Bain's good Airedale dog Rosecroft Jersey Lightning has been purchased by the well-known Chinook Kennels. Mr. Sam Bamford acted as agent in this important transaction, and we feel sure this grand specimen will be a valuable asset to our western fanciers. We understand he will be kenneled along with Ch. Midland Master G. and Ch. Beau Bel Scrapper, so he has joined some good company.

Mrs. H. A. Wilson is rejoicing over a grand litter of Pekingese out of Diamon Fuchsia, by Norwal Neto. They are very healthy, and showing great promise, one of them is exceptionally good, and will be heard from in the future.

To brag a little, to show well, to crow gently if in luck; to pay up, to own up, and to shut up if beaten—these are the virtues of a real sportsman.

PROGRESS IN THE WEST

A body of Regina dog fanciers met at the Parliament Buildings on the 27th, at the invitation of the Minister of Agriculture, Hon. W. R. Motherwell; F. H. Auld, Deputy Minister, and F. Bradshaw, Chief Game Guardian. Among the dog fanciers present were the following: Norman MacKenzie, K. C.; H. M. Clements, W. H. Munro, J. Billington, H. Selby, J. Boyle, A. P. Semple, T. McCusker and J. A. Newman. There were at times lively discussions as to the merits of the different breeds. Those breeds that were chosen as the most useful were as follows: Russian Wolfhounds, Deerhounds, Airedales, Collies, Old English Sheepdogs, Fox Terriers, Irish Terriers and Scotch Terriers.

The idea of this meeting was to discuss a plan for encouraging the breeding of pure-bred dogs, particularly those breeds known to be of benefit to agricultural interests, so that eventually the superfluous curs would be a thing of the past. At the present time there are hundreds of these mongrels roaming round the province that are a real eyesore, and the sooner something is done the better. However, this meeting was called for to find a way to start the farmers thinking more of the pure breeds than the mongrel. It was agreed that the protection of live stock and the elimination or control of predatory animals could be much better attained if a sufficient number of pure-bred dogs of a right kind were kept. To attain this object it is proposed that agricultural societies be bonused in connecting with the granting of prizes for pure-bred dogs of utility breeds. There are 115 fairs held in the province, and should the government grant a certain sum of money for prizes to these fairs it would mean that the farmers would begin to realize that it would be far better to have one useful pure-bred round his farm than several curs that just worry the cattle and are unsightly to look at.

Take, for instance, a well-equipped farm, with its pure-bred horses, cattle, sheep, etc. What could be better than to have a pure-bred dog to watch these animals? Mr. Farmer is proud of his prize-winning horses and cattle; why not include his dog among his prize-winners? Granted he cannot compete with the big fanciers in the cities, but he can compete with his neighbors. The

fanciers of Saskatchewan heartily endorse this splendid plan of the Hon. W. R. Motherwell and his colleagues, and will give them every assistance that lay in their power.

SHORT BARKS

We regret to announce the death of Mr. T. McEwen's promising young bulldog Benson. This grand youngster was a son of the noted Kersal King, and possessed many of his sire's characteristics.

Mr. W. W. Marshall of Montreal is justly proud of a litter of bulldogs by that well-known imported dog, Tam Hin, ex Drummond Kitty Royal. There are four dogs and three bitches in the litter, all strong and healthy, and resemble their sire in many respects. We wish Mr. Marshall the best of luck with these new arrivals.

Mr. D. F. Woodcock, of Toronto, informs us that his Boston bitch, Woodland Beauty, presented him with a litter of seven puppies, six dogs, all living, sired by Mr. Levack's Count Dee See.

That well-known Airedale Ch. King Oorang, died of paralysis of the heart, at the Anokias Kennels on October 30. He was champion in England and America, and was sire of Cr. Baughfell Briar, Ch. Afton Queen Oorgan, Soo Floradora and last, but not least, our Canadian Morning Admiration.

We hear of a cracking good Airedale female that arrived in Canada recently to the order of Mr. Sam Bamford. Her name is Parkton Sweet Olive, and the critics on the other side claim her to be the best youngster seen for some time. Soon after her arrival Bert Swann saw her and was so impressed with her many outstanding qualities that he purchased her for Mr. Norman Mackenzie, and she is now housed in the Parkdale Kennels. It will be interesting to watch her career.

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By William Haynes in his book on Practical Dog Keeping

Our English forefathers, from whom we have inherited most of our sporting instincts and traditions, valued a good dog highly. They paid some tidy sums (mainly for Foxhounds and Greyhounds) for dogs that they thought well of and which could win in their sporting competitions; but they would be mightily surprised could they know the prices we pay to-day for crack field and show dogs. The keener competition of our modern field trials has increased the market value of our sporting varieties, and the bench shows have stimulated a demand for breeds that a century ago were little known and less valued.

But one does not have to hark back a hundred or more years to find people who are greatly startled at the cost of a good dog. I have had many a chuckle, thinking how hard a certain woman once took the announcement of the price of a famous Boston Terrier. It was at the New York Show—in 1905, I think—when Ch. Fosco had cleaned up a pretty bunch of blues and had changed hands for a cheque that ran into four figures. The evening after the Boston Terrier classes had been judged, three or four of us were standing in front of the new champion's bench discussing this latest sensation. A regally gowned woman, who looked quite capable of having been the original model for all comic drawings of Madame Nouveau Riche, came waddling down "Boston Row," scanning the dogs through a pair of gold lorgnettes. She saw us standing in front of Fosco and the bright array of prize cards on his bench caught her eye. She looked at the dog a moment, and then spoke to the kennel boy who was with him.

"Is that dog for sale?" she asked.

"Nope," answered the boy, "he's just been sold."

"Indeed!" and then she added, as much as to say that it was rather a pity, for she had taken quite a fancy to him and she was able and willing to pay a "whole heap of cash" for him, "How much did you get?"

The boy grinned and swelled with pride as he replied, "Two thousand five hundred, ma'am."

The poor woman's eyes popped and she sucked in a big gulp of air, for all the world like a sunfish out of water. "Lord!" she gasped, "why—why he's worth as much as my furs!"

Somebody snickered, and she recovered her grand stand pose at once and walked on with a great show of hauteur.

Most people who are not familiar with thoroughbred dogs and the dog fancier's ways are surprised more at what they are pleased to consider the exorbitant prices asked for ordinary puppies than at the fancy figures paid for some few celebrated dogs. They are interested in the five thousand beauties and wonder that "anyone would be crazy enough to pay that much for any dog"; but it is the twenty-five or fifty dollars for an ordinary dog for a companion that takes them off their feet. This is but natural, for to most people a dog whose value runs into four figures is something as foreign as a dog from Mars. A ditch digger is not nearly so much surprised at the cost of a six-cylinder motor as he would be at the price of a pot of coffee at the St. Regis.

As a matter of plain fact, is a man a rank swindler, making capital out of our sentiments, when he advertises "A litter of three-months-old puppies for sale, by Ch. Dash our of Blank, she by Ch. So-and-So: dogs \$30.00; bitches \$20.00"? Leaving all sentimental considerations out of the question, and even disregarding any extra premium to be paid for special show points, what is a well-bred, well-raised, healthy puppy worth in actual dollars and cents?

Let us take a typical case as an example. A fancier has a year-old bitch, fairly typical of her breed, and with a pedigree that tells she has come from several generations from the best stock. She is, however, hardly up to the standard of bench show requirements. This is the typical brood bitch—mind I do not say that she is the best brood bitch, but she is typical of the average matriarch from whom most thoroughbred puppies are bred. It is conservative to place her value at fifty dollars. At eight years old she will be past her days of usefulness, so there will be an annual "deterioration" in her value of twelve and a half per cent., or in this case, of six dollars and twenty-five cents. The interest on the money invested in her will be two dollars and a half (five per cent. of fifty dollars).

The exact cost of her keep will be largely determined by individual circumstances. It is safe to place the cost

at a dollar a week. During a year, one can easily allow ten dollars for veterinary bills, medicines, disinfectants, soaps, etc.

Few breeders are foolish enough to mate their bitches every six months for year after year, but in order to be on the safe side we will assume that this is done in this particular case. The average stud fee is twenty-five dollars, and there will usually be some small express charges to pay. Statistics gathered in England during the course of several years show that there are an average of four puppies born in each litter. Allowing two litters a year, the average number of puppies will be eight. It costs about five dollars a month to raise a litter of puppies.

Let us summarize these figures:

Interest on dam (5 per cent. of \$50)	\$ 2.50
Deterioration in dam (12½ per cent. of \$50)	6.25
Keep of dam (52 weeks at \$1) ..	52.00
Stud fees (2 at \$25)	50.00
Expressage	5.00
Rearing puppies (2 litters to 3 months, at \$5)	30.00
Medical (dam and pups full year) ..	10.00
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	\$155.75

This means that at three-months-old every single one of the eight puppies will have actually cost their breeder nineteen dollars and forty-seven cents.

Probably no one will be more surprised at these figures than the dog fancier himself. I know that when I first calculated the actual cost of some of my own puppies the figures startled me. If anyone thinks I have been liberal in my estimates, let him but collect some data in his own kennels and do some figuring for himself. He will probably find that his own puppies are above the average I have taken, and it should be remembered that the above figures do not include any charges for time and trouble, for advertising the pups for sale, or for boxing and shipping them when sold. Moreover, because there are no available figures, there is no allowance made for loss by death, either in the dam or puppies.

It is very natural to suggest that the five-thousand-dollar dogs will raise a breeder's income very materially. This, however, cannot be counted upon. Dogs

of the quality sufficient to command high prices are bred but seldom. He is a very successful breeder who gets one youngster in twenty-five that will be able to do any considerable winning at the shows. Not one dog in five thousand wins the right to be hailed a "Champion of Record."

It should be remembered, moreover, that the breeder of a crack dog is not usually the man who makes the most money out of him. There are hundreds of cases where the breeder has exchanged for a mere song a puppy who has later been sold for a very remarkable advance in price. Still further, the very big cheques that are supposed to have been exchanged over a dog's head are often exaggerated. I was present at the sale of a certain famous bulldog and know that the price paid was a hundred and fifty pounds and yet the kennel papers next week announced that he had been sold to America for two thousand dollars, and to this day most people think that was the price paid.

The dog fancier who works on the principle that he can afford to sell the ordinary run of puppies for ten dollars, because he will be able to make it up on one or two real flyers that he will breed is extremely foolish. He will wake up some fine morning to discover that he has sold the best puppy that he ever bred for a trifle, and that the sum total of all his sales have not come anywhere near to paying his feed bills. It does not require higher mathematics to prove that if three-months'-old puppies have been raised at an actual outlay of nearly twenty dollars, their breeder, unless he be quite indifferent to dollars and cents, cannot afford to dispose of them for half that amount.

Whether or not a well-bred, well-raised, healthy puppy is worth as a companion what his breeder must ask for him is quite a different question.

When one is keeping a dog there is a heap of solid satisfaction in owning one for which no explanations have to be made. More and more people are learning something about the points of the various breeds, and they are quick to notice a friend's dog. There is not a bit of fun in being forced to say that your dog is part spaniel and part terrier—"I don't know just what he is. You see the butcher gave him to me when he was a puppy. He was an awfully cute little beggar." All puppies, even the most mongrel of mongrels, are

attractive little chaps, but oh, the monstrosities that some of them grow into! It is certainly very much more pleasant to be able to say, when asked about your dog, that he is a son of Ch. Dash, and his mother's sire was Cr. So-and-So, who won at the New York show last winter. But aside from this personal feeling—vanity if you wish—there are many very good reasons, real, hard, logical reasons, for keeping a thoroughbred.

There has been a tremendous amount of foolishness said and written about the supposed frailty and stupidity of thoroughbred dogs. It is a fact that in-breeding in any animal, if followed for successive generations, will result in loss of vigor and degeneration of brain powers. The ultimate result of long continued in-breeding will be the production of weaklings and even monstrosities which, if they live, are incapable of breeding. In a few breeds, the craze for fancy points has caused in-breeding to be carried too far. This, however, is the shining exception and not, as some people seem to think, the rule among most thoroughbred dogs.

The thoroughbred has behind him generations of good care, generations of proper associations, generations of sound healthy ancestors. Good food and cleanliness have a cumulative value that tend to give the thoroughbred a sounder constitution than the doubtfully bred dog. Dog fanciers do not breed from any except healthy stock, for to do so is to court disaster. If blood does tell, if there is any merit in selective breeding, if heredity counts for anything, then obviously the thoroughbred has a few dozen streets handicap over the mongrel.

As far as brains and cleverness go there is no comparison—old ladies with fat-laden, wheezing nondescripts and boys with flea-bitten, mangy curs to the contrary. The gutter pup may have the sharpness of the street Arab, but the real dog has the intelligence of your own children. He has better brains, better instincts and better manners. He is, in fact, well-bred in all that those words mean. If you are still a doubting Thomas, go to anyone who has had a wide and unprejudiced experience with dogs. Ask him whether a thoroughbred or a cur makes a more satisfactory companion. There is no doubt what the answer will be.

In buying a dog for a companion, it will usually be more satisfactory to

get a puppy that is about six months old. One younger than that is too much of a baby. Up to six months a puppy should be fed "often and little." Teething troubles will also be over at this time, and the youngster is old enough to be taught those lessons in dog manners that all dogs must learn.

It is safest and usually cheapest to go to some reputable kennel when you are hunting for a dog. The epithet "dog dealer" has not a very pleasant connotation, but one need not go in fear and trembling to any reputable breeder. The American Kennel Club is a strict ruler in the kennel world. Any fraud is promptly and mercilessly punished. But more important than the power of the A. K. C. is the change that has taken place within the dog fancy itself. Time was when "dog fancier" was synonymous with all that is low, tricky, dirty, and the very dregs of the sporting world. To-day the dog fancy is composed of very different people, and we see the celebrated lawyer, the well-known banker, the great manufacturer, together with the society leader and the working man's "missus," all showing in the same ring. A relic of the old days is to be found in the "dog stores" that flourish in most of our cities. These are usually run by men who know little and care less about dogs. They are dealers pure and simple, and they are quite beyond the jurisdiction of the American Kennel Club. There are some few exceptions to this rule, but the novice will do well to shun these places as he would the plague.

If one is ignorant of the points of the breed that he is buying, he will find that the prices asked by a reliable breeder will be a rough indicator of their physical excellence. But buying any young puppy is more or less like buying a pig in a poke, though by six months a capable judge ought to have little difficulty in picking out the good ones from the "rotters." When one is buying a dog as a pal, show quality is not so important, provided the dog is at least fairly typical. The novice cannot do very much better than locate a well bred litter of puppies of the breed he has chosen and then pick out the puppy that happens to catch his fancy. Remember that love is a contagious disease with dogs, and the more you love him the more your dog will love you.

(This interesting article will be continued in our next issue)

SHORT BARKS

We hear that Mr. C. S. Webber, the well-known Bulldog fancier of London, is busy these days with his dogs. Birchcliffe Baron is doing exceptionally well. The first litter sired by him was out of Mr. Maynard's good bitch who had five dog puppies, one of them was so promising that Mr. Webber purchased him and expects a brilliant future for him.

Amongst the recent matrons to visit the Baron are Mr. McCrae's bitch, by Dundee Rex; Mr. Charles Robertson of Preston, Trouble; Mr. Frank MacRae of Bothwick, Noneatta; Mr. Highway of London, Judy; Mr. W. B. Duke of London, Uxbridge Mary; Mr. Williams of London, Dundee Rex Bitch.

The well-known Whippet fancier, Mr. A. Lowenstein, is rejoicing over a nice litter of five out of Gypsy Queen, by Prince Charming. There should be some real flyers in this litter. Mr. Lowenstein informs us that he is contemplating taking a trip to England next spring for the purpose of purchasing a team of Whippets. We hope to see him bring back a strong team of these "speed artists."

Mr. D. Soper, of the Balmoral Collie Kennels, informs us that his bitch, Leith Lassie, is nursing a grand litter of nine, by Mr. Wemyes' good dog, Buccleuch Specialist.

The well-known bulldog, Jellieoe Westal, has been kept busy since his arrival in Toronto, having been visited by eight matrons, amongst them being Mr. Simms' Mrs. Murphy; Mr. Greyford's Molly; Mr. Howley's Tiger; Mr. Simms' Babe, and females belonging to Mr. Hearst and Mr. Bersford. Jellieoe's kennel mate, Ch. Coster Diamond, is also kept busy, the latest matron to visit him being Mr. Dymont's female from Barrie.

Mr. L. F. L. Wolfenden of Victoria, B.C., has a good prospect for the coming spring shows in a dog pup by Ch. Victoria Gill, and sired by Ch. Judman, a very fine specimen of a pointer, owned by Mr. C. E. Douglas, of Seattle. Ch. Victoria Gill is at present in Seattle, paying Judman a return visit, from which I expect a couple of champions.

We understand that Mr. J. Waggett of Toronto has refused a big offer for his promising young Collie bitch Arndale Gladiola. The offer was made by the well-known Collie fancier Alex. Donaldson, and we understand it was a record price to offer for a Collie of such a tender age.

Mrs. Peter McNeill, Wainwright, Alta., reports the deal of her bull bitch Blinkbonney Beauty II., who died after whelping a litter, of which all died but one puppy, which is doing fine, and is just one week old and weighs 1½ lbs. He is fed with the bottle every three hours, night and day.

Mr. C. H. K. Baillie of Winona, had the misfortune a few weeks ago of losing one of his best Scottish Terrier bitches, by being run over by an automobile. The bitch was Laidon Lipsalve, and was the dam of several good winners, including Walecot Daredevil II., Laidon Leah, and others. Mr. Baillie has still three very good bitches in his Kennels, Hector's Flett of Egeinmouth, Morning Nipper, a young bitch, imported from the States, by Champion Ems Morning Nip, and a young bitch by Romany Nap.

Mrs. Peter McNeill, of Alberta, reports her Bull bitch Blinkbonney II., C. K. C. 19681, is nursing a litter of four, two males and two females. All are doing well, and showing great promise.

We hear that the well-known Bulldog, Ch. Mersey Pilot, has been purchased by Mr. Ferguson, the popular editor of the sports section of the Montreal Herald. Mersey Pilot's sterling qualities and successes on the bench and at stud are too well known for comment, and we congratulate Mr. Ferguson on his fortune in possessing such a well-known dog.

Mr. C. S. Webber of London has sold a good Bull bitch to Sergt.-Major Packman of Ottawa. This bitch was a daughter of Dundee Rex, and before leaving was mated to Birchcliffe Baron. We expect good things from this mating and wish the sergeant-major the best of luck.

Mr. E. J. Wallace, of St. John, N.B., reports a litter of five cocker puppies. Three are black and white, one pure white, and one with white body, with lemon ears. The puppies were bred from Ch. Drumelamph Baronet and Walls Show Fly.

Mr. G. P. Farrell, Toronto, advises us that he is the proud owner of seven beautiful bull pups out of his bitch Princess Pat, litter sister to Prince Roland. The puppies are sired by Kilburn Fascination, of whom everyone knows the fine reputation, both in regard to himself and his stock, and with him as a sire these puppies should turn out exceptionally good. All are doing remarkably well.

Owing to taking a trip to England, Mrs. J. W. Weldon has sold her dogs Chee Hie, the Pekingese, has gone to Miss Halliday of Guelph. Mr. J. W. Creedon of Paris has purchased the pair of toy poodles, Miss Snookie and the stud dog Snowball, and Mr. Creedon wishes it known that any female sent to him to be bred will receive the same good attention as Mrs. Weldon gave them. Mr. and Mrs. Weldon intend to have a holiday in the Old Land and bring back some real good dogs over for the Exhibition in 1919. Mrs. Trainor purchased the female Chinky Chog from Mrs. Weldon, who was just through nursing a beautiful litter of four by Noswel Neto.

Mrs. Harry R. Moore of Vancouver, B.C., is visiting her father at his home in Kingston, Ont. She has with her a few of her famous cockers, including her favorite, the undefeated bitch, Moore's Rosaline, along with Moore's Moonshine and Moore's Raven Nellipe. These were sired by Billy Obo ex Moore's Rosaline, also that grand young stud dog, Moore's Mastey Key and Moore's Miss Tip Top. This pair is by Moore's Cavalier, ex Moore's Killarney. Moore's Master Key has already accounted for special wins at the C. N. E. this year, also at Ottawa, and should easily prove his worth as a stock getter, as he is certainly bred right. F. F. Dole, in writing on the Cocker Spaniel for the Calgary Herald, winds up by saying, "You cannot keep a good dog down," and these are my sentiments on this

dog (Master Key.) Before returning to Vancouver Mrs. Moore expects to visit New York Dog Show, and hopes to duplicate her C. N. E. successes.

Mrs. J. J. Myers, Cupar, Sask., reports a litter of Airedale puppies from Avitus Maximilian (20674) and Avitus Aurora (19634), direct Polam Maxim and King Nobblers Double strain, five dogs and two females. We expect to see some topnotchers in this litter.

We hear that the well-known Cactus Kennels of Regina have recently imported three grand Chows from China. These are splendid specimens, and will prove a valuable asset to the breed in the West.

We hear of a shipment of Airedale bitches that will shortly leave the Parkdale Kennels for C. W. Quetschke, of the Caswell Kennels, Toledo, U.S.A. Bert Swann informs us that these matrons are bred in the purple. One of them is the daughter of Ch. Abbey King Nobbler; another is by Ch. King Nobbler's Double, and another is by Ch. Rebound Oorang. We congratulate their new owner on his venture, and feel sure they will be a valuable asset to the Caswell Kennels.

Your readers will no doubt learn with pleasure that I was delighted to receive a visit at my place from Lieut. Alsen, husband of Mrs. Alsen, of Vancouver, B.C., the well-known Canadian breeder and exhibitor of Fox Terriers and Bull dogs. Mr. and Mrs. Alsen, during their life in the Old Country, were very enthusiastic fanciers of dogs, horses, poultry, etc.

Lieut. Alsen looked very fit, notwithstanding his three years in the trenches with the Canadian army in France, and notwithstanding a rather nasty accident to his right shoulder. When I saw him last he was in treatment in a military hospital in London, but I understood from him that he had obtained a three months leave and was going to Vancouver to pass the leave there.

Lieut. Alsen is as keen as ever on dogs, and no doubt will again strongly go in for them after the war. I think I am not mistaken in saying that his predilection are Great Danes.

G. HOROWITZ,

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BUYING A DOG

By James Watson, in the Dog Book

How to buy a dog is as difficult a question to answer offhand as to tell a person what dog will satisfy him. With the general custom in America of worshipping the fetish of pedigree in animals—while holding that the man must be gauged by his individual merits—it is difficult to get any person to consider the purchase of any dog that has not a number of champions in his pedigree. If he has that, you can dispose of the veriest scrub that ever lived. Pedigree has a value, but you must know the history of the dogs of the day and the most prominent of the past generation or two to enable a proper conclusion to be drawn. From a pedigree it is possible for one of the initiated to form an opinion as to what might be expected of the dog in certain characteristics and which of these characteristics he might perpetuate. It has but little to do with the future excellence of the puppy beyond the fact that a dog of good breeding has a better chance of being good-looking than one bred from scrubs.

To understand this it is necessary to state that there are a few breeders of prominence who do not lay stress upon some particular point in conformation. With one it is head, with another it is "front," another must have a good coat, and so on. An expert fox terrier judge would make but little mistake at an English show in picking out the Redmond, Vicary or Powell entry, all of which is in keeping with what Youatt tells us about the two sheep breeders who purchased some pure Bakewell ewes and rams, and although there was not a drop of outside blood introduced into the flocks, they became entirely different in type within a few years, each breeder making his selections along a line of his own.

Then again we find every now and then a sire that is particularly good in giving to his progeny some much-wanted characteristic, such as the ability of the late Finsbury Pilot among collies to give heavy coats, while the sparse-coated collie Ormskirk Galopin was noted for heads. And it is along this line we find the value of pedigree, for an inbred Galopin should be a pretty good headed dog, while one strong in Finsbury Pilot blood should be a good coated, or in breeding from

dogs bred that way we may expect such results. But that is not what pedigree means to the American buyer and for his purpose the form might as well be filled up at random, with Toms, Dicks and Harrys, and Marthas, Janes and Betsies, especially if you can put "Ch." before any of the names. To him it is a pedigree, to the man who knows it is a piece of paper. It is this class of buyers that write for two puppies, not related, and start breeding dogs to win prizes with, because these puppies trace to some champions within a generation or two. Such a buyer and breeder produces pedigrees, not winners. We were at the Birmingham show of 1879 and chatted with the late William Graham, to whom we owe the excellence of the present-day Irish terrier. He had had a very successful time with his dogs, and swinging his stick in the direction of the row of daredevils, he said: "Some men show pedigrees; I show dogs and take the prizes." We were among the former at the show, Vero Shaw in his report saying that the pedigree was worth more than the dog; and there are thousands of that sort bred annually and from the very best dogs we have, for it is only the very top skimming of the cream that become champions of record.

It is a matter for the greatest regret that this pedigree foible is supported by the government and restrictions imposed which show that the responsible official has not the slightest knowledge of dog matters or how dogs rate themselves; dog show records taking the place of cattle pedigrees. We will give a late personal experience. Having been entrusted with the purchase of a number of dogs abroad that could win prizes here, a very thorough search through Ireland and England was made and a dozen bought. I do not think I asked as to the pedigree of a single one. I was buying winners, not pedigrees, and knowing that good pedigrees are made by good dogs and not vice versa, I bought the dogs and then set the seller at work to get the pedigrees perfected to suit the Washington requirements. To do this occupied nearly three weeks, and it was necessary to expend over thirty dollars to have past generations supplied with stud book

numbers. Two pedigrees could not be furnished, not that there was anything unknown, but the sire of these dogs was out of an unregistered dam, though as he was about the most famous dog in England and has more living descendants than any dog of his breed, his full pedigree is perfectly well known and has been given over and over again. The owner filled out a blank, but the Kennel Club would not give a registration because this owner had been suspended and had not the right to register, and the dam being dead, she could not be sold to anyone having the right to register. Fortunately these were cheap dogs, and the duty correspondingly light, but on the same steamer with them came two or three pick-up dogs of no breeding, and they passed in on payment of one or two dollars. If worthless curs were not admitted, then there would be some semblance of reason in present rules, but for them the door is held wide open, and the stringency is put on the man who pays hundreds of dollars for a dog worth having.

But, the reader asks, if pedigree amounts to nothing, how are we to buy for breeding purposes, for instance? We have already said that pedigree is valuable, and it is an essential in the case of purchasing for breeding, but we again repeat that if the buyer does not know something regarding the dogs in the pedigree, either personally or from reliable information, one string of names is as good as another to him.

CORRECTIONS.

In the list of championships that appeared in the October issue Admiral Don (16508), Fox Terrier (Wire), should read: Regina, 1918, 3 points, not 1917, 2 points.

The Italian Greyhound, Lady Grace (16526), was also recorded as a champion by mistake.

In our November issue we credited the Bullog, Jellico Westall, with being best dog in show at the last Nanaimo Kennel Club Show. This was incorrect, as that honor fell to the Bull Terrier, Eatonian Charity, who was bred and owned by Mr. G. E. Halliday, of Vancouver.

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