

lakelet is formed from melted snows of adjacent Andes peaks. One outlet of this runs backward toward the Pacific, emptying into Lake Titicaca (the highest water); the other rivulet flows northwest, forming the Vilcanota, or the real source of the Amazon. I shall follow this Vilcanota stream on mules from the railroad to reach canoe navigation beyond Cuzco, on the Rio Urubamba, which is a continuation of Vilcanota, or Yucay. This is precisely on the line of the Inca trail which Capac took with his golden wedge from Lake Titicaca to Cuzco, where he located the capital of that empire.

From beyond Cuzco we follow the historic and rich Ollantaytambo valley, or down the Urubamba, five days on mules, to reach canoe navigation—so-called.

This canoe trip is down the most romantically beautiful stream, full of large fish, and the forests abounding in large game, tigers or jaguars, tapirs, bears, and innumerable small game. The woods and rivers are full also of ducks, etc. In short, it's a rare country for sportsmen. Probably the most gamy animal is a wild boar or hog that lives in both river and forest. Maybe I think so because my four Indian paddlers would go for these things every day, running the canoes all over the rivers, in spite of my protests and demands to "go ahead."

It is about thirty days of exciting canoe journey over falls and cascades.

Probably there is not another such canoe voyage to be enjoyed anywhere, not even in Africa, and I believe equatorial America is far more interesting than Stanley's Africa.

I am telling all this abruptly to you in answer to your kindly suggestion that *OUTING* would do all possible to assist me in securing a proper outfit, and also congenial companions.

I don't care to appear as advertising for a companion, and I would have it understood that it's a desirable opportunity that only a few can enjoy. I imagine your magazine will reach the right sort. Of course, I want a gentleman who is willing to rough it.

I attach herewith a bit from a family scrap book by way of identification or indorsement in a public way in my home paper. I'll be obliged if you will return this clipping to me for my family scraps.

I am, very sincerely,

JOSEPH ORTON KERBEY.

Post Office address, Wilmore, Pa.

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ARLINGTON CHEMICAL Co.,
YONKERS, N. Y., August 3d, 1898. }

DEAR SIR—For a number of years I have bred and exhibited Russian wolfhounds, and have been very much interested in this particular breed. I have just read with a great deal of pleasure the article by Mr. H. W. Huntington on Russian wolfhounds, in your recent issue. It is written with a thorough knowledge of the breed and cannot fail to arouse an interest in this, what I consider to be the choicest breed of dogs extant.

Yours truly,

WM. L. ANDRUS.

To the Editor of *OUTING*,
239 Fifth Avenue, New York.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Cocker, Arlington, S. D.—A cocker should not weigh more than 28 pounds nor less than 18 pounds. Coat—Abundant, soft, silky, straight or wavy, but without curl. Chest, legs and tail well feathered. No topknot or curly hair on top of head. Colors most preferred are solid black or liver, but liver and white, black and white, black and tan, orange, and orange and white are all legitimate colors for cockers.

E. K. W., Evansville, Ind.—Game seasons in Muskoka are: Deer, from 1st to 15th of November; grouse, woodcock, snipe, duck, from 15th of October to 15th of December.

A. L. H., Chicago, Ill.—You will find the latest and best on basket-ball in *OUTING* for December last.

Anglophobe—It is not wise to be influenced by appearances when judgment is forming, and those who fear the bulldog because he looks as though he might be an ugly customer are unnecessarily alarming themselves. It is quite true that the bulldog possesses indomitable courage; indeed, so game is he that he appears to be almost insensible to pain or to appeals after his blood has been roused and he has made good his hold upon his foe. His iron

jaws possess an extraordinary holding power, which his fearless heart and patient endurance forbid him to relax before he has been choked or abused to the last extremity. He has been taxed with inferior intelligence, while in reality his brain exceeds in size that of the spaniel, a most intelligent animal. Those who have seen a well-trained bulldog know that his mental qualities may be highly cultivated, while in brute courage and unyielding tenacity of purpose he stands unrivaled among quadrupeds, and, with the single exception of the game-cock, he has, perhaps, no parallel in these respects in the brute creation.

Lex—The Government will furnish the engineer and the instructor for the students, and also skilled operators for the machines; the manufacturers will furnish the latter, while the city or town where the model roads are to be built will supply the material and labor.

"Quiz"—Mr. J. Hyslop, the respected measurer of the New York Yacht Club, an amateur naval architect of merit, is an enthusiastic model yachtsman. He fully realizes how much the art of designing has been benefited by experiments made with miniature craft, and in a conversation the other day expressed himself favorably with regard to your new organization.