

KENNEL.

DOGS AND THEIR OWNERS.

Mr. Shotwell Heard From—The Kennel Club and Rule 2—The Proposed Breeders' Clubs—The Columbus Disaster—Minor Comment.

My little conundrum of last week has attracted the following reply from Mr. Shotwell: In last week's issue, "Porcupine" gave a list of clubs to show who was for and who against rule 2.

I must first of all congratulate Mr. Shotwell upon having found time to answer my remarks. Perhaps he will further oblige by acknowledging I was right when I said he heard the endorsement on Glenivalt's entry read before the protest committee at Newark, argued its force and meaning with Mr. Peshall, the A. K. C. delegate, and after the A. K. C. had thrown the dirty protest out of court, said to me that if he had only known the entry was so endorsed he would not have protested—to paraphrase his letter—"Bah! If the gang could only throttle all the independents."

But to the reply. The question was if New York and Philadelphia alone held shows under rule 2, how long would it take a dog to win a championship? You have the Scotch answer above. Mr. Shotwell says:—"Taking the list as he gives it, it seems plain to me that it is New York and Philadelphia for the rule and only Boston against it." The list referred to is, "For rule No. 2, New York, Philadelphia, against the new rule, Atlanta, Utica, Boston, New Haven, Hornellsville." That is five against and two for, and Mr. Shotwell says:—"Taking the list as I gave it five clubs are one." That is bad figuring for a cashier.

"Hornellsville merely echoes the views of its delegates." Yes, and on nearly every point up to rule 2 the Westminster Kennel Club, the New Jersey Kennel Club, Philadelphia Kennel Club, etc., etc., have merely echoed the views expressed by the Hornellsville delegate, vide the whole turn of legislation since Hornellsville became a member. It was galling, no doubt, but right is right in the long run. Mr. Shotwell answers my rule of three sum by asking me another, and I will not follow the example, but tell him right. If a dog can win at Atlanta, Utica and New Haven it will be in the champion class at Boston. If not shown at Atlanta, it will be in the champion class at Hornellsville. That is on the above table.

The objection to breeders "scattered all over the country" forming a club is rich when the objector is upholding the A. K. C., which is supposed to have members on the Atlantic and Pacific seaboard.

Mr. Peshall's suggesting to Mr. Wade that I am a source of blindness to his eyes, is a striking example of what I said about some people always seeing me in anything that goes contrary to their ideas. Everybody who has read the papers of late years, knows that when Mr. Wade and I agree, it is on questions of right vs. wrong, justice vs. injustice. On questions of policy, or as to which is the wisest course, we differ often than we agree. Mr. Wade's attacks on "fancy" have always incurred my strongest opposition, and I have found him more of a thorn in my side than Mr. Peshall ever was. The fact is, that some people cannot see any independent ideas, and so they will follow me as a dog in the manger.

The later story from Columbus puts a decidedly different aspect on the charge of negligence on the part of the watchman. The cause of the fire was a defective flue and was soon noticed. There were no appliances on hand to put out the small beginning, and before an axe could be obtained to cut away the burning wood the flames had got on to one of the main decorations which festooned the building. In a moment the flames flashed across the roof and down came the burning fragments onto the straw-strewn benches. The result can well be imagined.

New York is to have a \$100,000 policy on its dogs. If a fire occurs and the owners are paid "catalogue" value a few mastiff men will get all the money between them.

I was afraid Mr. Wade would have some of his hotshots at Columbus, but my mind was set at rest when I read that the prize for the home-bred dog, to be voted by the visitors, lay between the Bedlington Rooks and a local dog, Sir Lucifer has a walk-over for such prizes as that and as his name was not mentioned I knew he must be at home anxiously awaiting being aggravated into a fight.

Among the burnt dogs was a particularly nice black and tan terrier entered by Mrs. Lever that would have been heard of at New Haven. Mrs. Lever is shown on rule 2, and Mr. Lever is to judge at Boston her field this year was somewhat limited. It is all over with Buey, however. Mr. Dole brought her over with him.

By the way, I have a "gossip" on the entire newspaper fraternity of both continents in announcing the death of the famous bull terrier Dutch, the greatest stud dog ever known in the breed, as I showed in this column a couple of years ago. He was bowed in front and could only win at public house shows, where Mr. Fred Hinks would occasionally "oblige," by showing his famous stud of bull terriers." As Mr. Dole has just received Baron from Mr. Hinks, the Bath Row Kennel is without both its mainstays in the matter of stud dogs.

The compositor who in one of my notes of last week made me say "Dr. Cugle" for Dr. Cryer desires me to apologize on his behalf, to the doctor.

Mr. Chas. D. Cugle is rushing it a bit too much and I must retract my previously expressed good opinion of this impetuous youth who has attained such notoriety. Dr. Cryer drove him to acknowledge his error in one letter; Mr. E. S. Porter has rapped him over the knuckles for a wilful misstatement, and now I guess I must tackle him. His lovely sample of the perfect gentleman's letter writer which appeared in this column a couple of weeks ago had a reply appended to it which has not been noticed by him, but he now writes to the Turf, Field and Farm.

My letter to you last week was written hurriedly, so that it would be in time for publication this week, and I only had time to trot on the barefaced falsehood uttered by Mr. Watson. Mr. Watson says:—"Let us suggest a medium for my Hartford friend to give any superiority of energy he may have left. It is to try and collect money from the Hartford Club members to pay off their last year's debts." As Mr. Watson seems to know so very much, he will, first, kindly mention the amount and names of the Hartford Club's debts, and what he owes them for. Second, has Hornellsville sent their medals? Third, have the publishers of the A. K. C. paid their bill for 'ad' in our catalogue (it was not paid Jan. 1)? Fourth, as Atlanta was not going to give the prize, what was the result? Fifth, what would reason had they to have anything to do with rules? Possibly Mr. Watson will answer the above, as your contemporary upstairs did my assertion that they "cut to suit their cause" a letter from Mr. A. C. Collins.

AMATEUR OARSMEN.

The January meeting of the executive committee of the National Amateur Association of Oarsmen was held Jan. 14 at the O.C. House, New York City. The members of the committee, Henry W. Garfield, of Albany, president; C. G. Peterson, of New York; H. K. Henchman, and W. R. Tucker, of Philadelphia; W. H. Allen, of Detroit; M. A. Mullins, of Newark; J. S. Aborn, of Providence; E. C. Parsons, of Dixon, Ill., and W. H. Gibson, of Washington, were present. On the report of the committee appointed to investigate the application of Alfred Hosmer, of Boston, wheelman, and John Luettrell, an oarsman, of Alexandria county, Va., they were rejected. The treasurer's report showed a balance on hand of \$335.85.

The charges against William F. Conley, the well-known amateur oarsman of the Shawmut Club, Boston, were taken up. The charges made by Lyman B. Glover, president of the Farragut Rowing Club, of Chicago, were read by Mr. Aborn, chairman of the committee appointed to investigate. The charges are, in substance, that Conley had received money for losing the race July 4, 1887, at Boston, won by Ryan, and the national regatta at Jamestown July 26, in the latter case having cut or cracked his own boat, either from fear of losing the race or in order to favor his friends who had placed money upon him. He was also accused of an undue readiness to row for money prizes, as well as having made certain statements showing want of respect for the National Association. The report of the investigating committee to which was submitted the case for consideration, reviewed Conley's rowing history and the evidence they had secured in support of the charges, as well as certain newspaper articles, purporting to be statements made by Conley and others, over his own signature. Mr. Conley was present, unaccompanied by friends or witnesses, and heard in his own defence. The latter consisted for the most part of general denials and accusations against his so-called friends. He believed that his boat had been cracked by an unknown pugilist from Buffalo, who calls himself Frazer. Eugene Buckley, of Boston, spoke in favor of Conley. By a vote of 4 to 3 a motion to disqualify Conley was lost.

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The race for a \$100 a side, rowed over the Tye championship course on Dec. 31, between Carr, the North countryman, and East, of Putney, resulted in favor of the former, whose victory naturally gave much satisfaction to Tynesiders. Whether there is any material in the matter of the duration, time will show. It is exceptionally tall for a sculler, standing 6ft. 6in., and is 24 years old. For the sake of one of the best of sports, it is to be hoped he may prove as good as his looks. He has been successful in a very few professional sculling in a very depressed condition on the Thames, and soon to have

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