KENNEL.

DOGS AND THEIR OWNERS.

The Latest Theory in Compulsory Registration—Another Blunder by the Westminster Kennel Club—The Right of Declining Entries—Unconstitutionality of Rule 2, Etc.

The latest thing on the compulsory registration business is the proposition of the Minnesota Kennel Club. It is too complicated, I fear, for the average man to understand in all its bearings. In many ways it is a decided improvement over the secretaries-salary-grab game. The text is as follows:

Dogs under the age of fifteen months, and all others which have not won a first or second prize at a show given by a club which has been recognized by or is now a member of the American Kennel Club, shall be exempt from compulsory registration.

Any dog shall be eligible to entry in the American Kennel Club stud book which has a well-authenticated pedigree extending back at least two generations, or which has won a first or second prize at a show held by a club which has been recognized by or is now a member of the American Kennel Club.

It shall be the duty of the officers of clubs, members of this association, to require the payment of fifty cents registration fee from owners or handlers of all dogs winning a first or second prize at a show, before the delivery of the prize money, medal or diploma.

It shall also be the duty of the officers of clubs, members of this association, to require a registration fee of fifty cents in advance, from owners or handlers of all dogs, which have not yet been registered in the American Kennel Club Stud Book, which have won a first or a second prize at a show previously held by a club which has been recognized by, or is at present, a member of this association.

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The one obstacle I can see to the adoption or consideration of that amendment is that it has not been made in time. In fact, there is not an amendment which should not be ruled out at the meeting on that ground alone.

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Two weeks ago I asked a friend of mine in New York to take every opportunity he could of conversing with the "majority" and finding out how things stood at 44 Broadway. His reply came to hand two days ago, and after giving some details he winds up by saying—"To sum up the situation it is this, every effort will be made to qualify the rule." Nearly all concur in saying the adoption of the rule was too abrupt and they had no idea there would be so much opposition. It is a case of Captain Scott and the coon over again.

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Mr. Peshall is too much of a gentleman to put in practice the old adage of his profession, "if you have no case abuse the plaintiff's attorney." He resorts to another method and gives a copious draught from Roman or Egyptian history. Very interesting, sir, but not argument.

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Does Mr. Peshall remember the correspondence of Mr. Munhall and his laconic answer thereto? The latter is the best reply I can make to my learned friend of Jersey City.

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A good many of these notes were "crowded out" last week. They will do, however, to use now. But since I have read Mr. Peshall's latest letters I am prompted to draw attention to another case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde. Dr. Jekyll is Sir Charles J. Peshall, Bart., of England, who wrote that straightforward letter withdrawing Nick of Naso from competition at New York, because of the declining of Beaufort's entry. The Mr. Hyde, who visits 44 Broadway, and claims to be C. J. Peshall, of Jersey City, is the one who uses the encyclopædia as a letter-writing manual, and lampoons any one who differs from him in opinion.

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It was C. J. Peshall, of Jersey City, who said frequently and openly that Secretary Vredenburgh was but the tool of the Westminster Kennel Club, while Sir Charles gave the bonanza boomer such a splendid character for efficiency. It was Sir Charles who joined forces with the Philadelphia and Boston clubs to elect W. H. Child as president of the W. K. C., while C. J. got astride the fence at the last moment.

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I infinitely prefer the English baronet, so genial in his friendship, and who silences his opposition by his overpowering apologies, to Mr. C. J., who is neither logical in his arguments, correct in his facts, nor as polite in his correspondence as he wants everybody to be.

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By the way, after all the fuss over rule 2, do you know that it is unconstitutional. At the time of writing I have a great mind to make a test entry at the Philadelphia show and with the club officers state a case for the moguls to decide at the A. K. C. meeting. The point is this, the executive committee made the change and it has not the power to make any change except in the by-laws, and the dog show rules are not by-laws. It is as plain as A. B. C., and I cannot understand now why the idea never occurred to me before.

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Did you ever know the Westminster Kennel Club officials to make a right decision when by any chance the reverse could happen? Hardly ever, is a term permissible nowadays. Well, now they have blundered again and caught a tartar in Mr. C. H. Mason. I do not agree with Mr. Mason's argument, but we arrive at a similar conclusion. It appears that his entry of Beaufort at the New York show was "declined by the committee." I cannot give all the particulars, which are to be found in *Forest and Stream* over Mr. Mason's signature.

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The only way in which a show committee can decline an entry is by operation of rule 7, apart, of course, from the rejection of those made by any person under the ban of the club. The rule in question reads:—"The authorities of any show may reserve to themselves the right of declining any entries they may see fit." Mr. Mason finds fault with the rule, but I think it a very necessary one. Of course, there is such a thing as abusing a rule as well as using it. That is where Mr. Mason and I disagree.

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But, examine the rule, looking at the wording carefully and you will see that it entails something upon the "authorities." It is necessary that in order to be able to take advantage of the liberty allowed by the rule, that the right should be "reserved." I have examined the special regulations of the W. K. C. show, and I cannot find that the club has made any claims to exercise "the right of declining any entries." The wording of the rule was carefully made, and meant just what it says. You cannot claim that it directly gives the right to decline, because if such was the case the rule would read:—"The authorities of any show may decline any entries they see fit."

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Let Mr. Mason take the above note to any lawyer, and he will tell him what I do, and he will have the satisfaction of showing Beaufort at New York, if he wants to.

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Mr. Peshall will not need to tell him anything about the Garden of Eden, if the case comes before him for decision. It is too clear for any doubt on the subject. Let me illustrate it. Suppose the National Trotting Association made a rule to the effect that "Any associate member may reserve to itself the right to pay only one premium to a horse distancing the field," and this was not specified as one of the conditions of the purses, would the association be able to withhold all the purses from such a winner? Not much. The board of appeals would say to the association:—"Did you reserve this right to yourselves in your advertisement, or programme of stakes? If you did not, then the winner takes all the money."

PORCUPINE.

Judges for Boston's Show.

The following is a list of the judges for the New England Kennel Club's show, as far as selected:—St. Bernards and pugs, Miss Anna H. Whitney, Lancaster, Mass.; mastiffs, Great Danes and Ulmers, Newfoundlands, deerhounds, greyhounds, dachshunds, spaniels, poodles and Italian greyhounds, Chas. H. Mason, New York City; English and Gordon setters, Dr. Wm. Jarvis, Claremont, N. H.; Irish setters, Wm. Dunphy, Peekskill, N. Y.; foxhounds, beagles and bassett hounds, N. Elmore, Cranby, Conn; bulldogs, bull terriers, Scotch terriers, Irish terriers, Bedlington terriers, Dandie Dinmont terriers, sky terriers, Yorkshire terriers, black and tan terriers, toy terriers and toy spaniels, Edward Lever, Philadelphia, Pa.; hound-headed bull and terrier, Mr. John P. Barnard, Jr., Boston; pointers, Dr. Wm. Jarvis. Apparently the fox terrier judge is not as yet settled.

THE UTICA SHOW.

List of Awards at the Exhibit of the Fort Schuyler Kennel Club.

The inaugural bench show of the Fort Schuyler Kennel Club was held at Lafayette Hall in Utica, Feb. 14 to 17, and the quality of the exhibited was very much above the average. The attendance was good. The following is the prize list:

MASTIFFS—Dogs—1st, The Myrtlewood Kennels' Agrippa; 2d, Thomas R. Proctor's Otis B. Bitches—1st, Arthur L. Dale's Cleopatra; 2d, F. Wayland Smith's Honto. Puppies—Dogs—1st, George E. Dunham's Rex. Bitches—2d, William Wade's Ethel.

ROUGH-COATED ST. BERNARDS—Dogs—1st, Chequasset Kennels' Monte Rosa; 2d, The Hospice Kennels' Eiger; 3d, Brinley S. Dering's Monk. Bitches—1st, John Marshall's Lady Florie; 2d, The Hospice Kennels' Pale face; 3d, H. R. T. Coffin's Nutmeg; com., Jas. M. Dunlop's Mayflower and Mercedes. Rough-coated St. Bernards—Puppies—dogs—1st, H. R. T. Coffin's Ben Hur; 2d, J. W. Dunlop's Prince Bayard. Bitches—1st, J. W. Dunlop's Wentworth Flora.

SMOOTH-COATED ST. BERNARDS—Champion dogs—1st, Jas. M. Dunlap's Rigi. Open—dogs—1st, Chequasset Kennels' Lodi; 2d, The Hospice Kennels' Wotan; 3d, H. R. T. Coffin's Cato. Open—bitches—1st, J. P. Davis' Beatrix; 2d and 3d, The Hospice Kennels' Recka and Appolonia. Dog puppies—1st, H. R. T. Coffin's Cato II.

NEWFOUNDLANDS—1st, John F. Lewis' Carlo; 2d, C. H. McDonald's Frank; 3d, R. G. Hoerelin's Carlo; com., John P. and W. W. Gray's Nero.

CHAMPION COLLIES—Dogs—1st, The Chestnut Hill Kennels' Nullamore. Champion bitches—The Chestnut Hill Kennels' Bonnie Brae. Open class—dogs—1st, The Chestnut Hill Kennels' David; 2d, Henry W. Pratt's Volunteer; 3d, Miss Letitia Goodwin's Donald V. Open class—bitches, 1st and 2d, The Chestnut Hill Kennels' Roslyn Vera and Miss Penelope; 3d, Mrs. J. P. Gray's Effie Dean. Dog puppies—1st, Henry H. Pratt's Volunteer; 2d, Miss Jennie Crackett's Scots Jack; com., James Maher's Collie. Bitches—1st, Utica Kennels' Collie Belle; 2d, Chestnut Hill Kennels' Roslyn Vera; high com., Harmony Kennels' Bessie W.

GREYHOUNDS—1st, Harmony Kennels' Harmony; 2d, G. D. Pomeroy's Tony.

POINTERS—Dogs over 55lbs.—1st, J. H. Winslow's Bang. Bitches over 50lbs.—Parnes Bros.' Devonshire Countess; 2d, Myrtlewood Kennels' Beau Beaufort. Dogs under 55lbs.—1st, Dayton Kennel Club's Count Croxteth; 2d and very high com., Myrtlewood Kennels' Robert le Diable, Jr. and Bruce Beaufort; 3d, J. H. Gillmore's Sensation II. Bitches under 50lbs.—1st and 2d, Myrtlewood Kennels' Countess le Diable and Molly Beaufort. Puppies—Dogs—1st, Myrtlewood Kennels' Bruce Beaufort; 2d and 3d, H. Gaylord's Flash and Wagg. Bitches—2d, Myrtlewood Kennels' Molly Beaufort.

ENGLISH SETTERS—Dogs—1st, J. J. Snellenburg's Count Henricks. Bitches—1st, J. P. and W. W. Gray's Frolic Bondhu. Puppies—1st and 2d, A. K. Seymour's Annie Redd and Ben Field; 3d, C. F. Benzing's Consul's Chief.

IRISH SETTERS—Dogs—1st, E. Maher's Larry S.; 2d, M. R. Bingham's Roger; 3d, J. H. Arnot's Barney; very high com. and high com., Utica Kennels' Larry and Rob; very high com., Onota Kennels' Glenmar II. Bitches—1st, Dr. E. C. Kirke's Berna; 2d, W. J. McKee's Juno.

GORDON SETTERS—Champion dog—W. E. Rothermel's Don. Champion bitch—W. Hammit's Rose. Open class—Dogs—G. G. and J. C. McAdam's Young Ranger. Bitches—1st, G. Griffin's Jessie; 2d, T. H. Stryker's Bess; 3d, A. H. Richardson's Gypsy Maid. Puppies—1st, F. A. Gross' Bob.

IRISH WATER SPANIELS—1st, Fred P. Kirby's Jess; 2d, Utica Kennels' Oneida Belle.

FIELD SPANIELS—Champion dogs and bitches—1st, J. P. Willey's Miss Newton Obo. Field spaniels—Dogs—1st, J. P. Willey's Newton Abbot Beau; 2d, William H. Moseley's Jerry; 3d, Eugene Powers' Oberon.

COCKER SPANIELS—Campion dogs and bitches under 28lbs.—1st, Charles M. Nelles' Brant. Cockers under 28lbs.—Liver and black dogs—1st, J. P. Willey's Baby Obo; 2d, Charles M. Nelles' Mike; 3d, E. C. Terry's Hi. Cocker spaniels—Liver and black bitches—1st, J. P. Willey's Chloe W.; 2d, Charles M. Nelles' Bury; 3d, J. P. Willey's Topsy W.; very high com., W. H. Moseley's Riette. Cocker spaniel puppies—1st, J. P. Willey's Bessie W.; 2d, Charles M. Nelles' Juanita; high com., Charles M. Nelles' Shaun Rhue; com., John E. Weston's Renah W.

FOXHOUNDS—1st, S. J. McJurry's Trailer.

BEAGLES—Dogs—1st, Harmony Kennels' Sport; 2d, Harmony Kennels' Wixom. Bitches—1st, Harmony Kennels' Jessie; 2d, Harmony Kennels' Pussie. Puppies—1st, Mrs. J. Otis Fellows' Royal Krueger; 2d, Harmony Kennels' Wixon; high com., Harmony Kennels' Zephyr W.

BULLDOGS—1st, E. Sheffield Porter's Caliban. Bull bitches—1st, E. Sheffield Porter's Belle of the Ball.

CHAMPION BULL TERRIERS—Dogs—1st, Frank F. Dole's Champion Count. Open class—1st, Frank F. Dole's Little Dorrit; 2d, John P. and W. W. Gray's Countess; 3d, Victor J. Nye's Spivens.

BLACK AND TAN TERRIERS—1st, Edward Lever's Safety.

FOX TERRIERS—Open class—Dogs—1st, Utica Kennels' Utica Prince; 2d, Andrew McKeog's Ben.

IRISH AND ROUGH-HAIRED TERRIERS—1st, Geo. D. Fowle's Greymont.

SKYE AND YORKSHIRE TERRIERS—1st, M. H. Cryer's Gladstone Boy; 2d, E. Sheffield Porter's Kyle Baken.

CHAMPION PUGS—1st, Chequasset Kennels' Young Toby. Open—Dogs—1st, M. H. Cryer's Othello; 2d, Geo. I. Young's Ko Ko. Bitches—1st, Fred P. Kirby's Daisy; 2d, Chequasset Kennels' Victory.

KING CHARLES SPANIELS—1st, Frank F. Dole's Nell.

MISCELLANEOUS—1st, The Glencoe Kennels' Sir Lucifer; 2d, Geo. D. Pomeroy's Major.

SPECIALS.—Best mastiff, Agrippa; best St. Bernard, Little Dorrit; best collie, David; best greyhound, Harmony; best pointer dog, Count Croxteth; best pointer bitch, Devonshire Countess; best setter dog, Don (Gordon); best setter bitch, Rose (Gordon); best field spaniel, Newton Abbot Beau; best cocker spaniel, Baby Obo; best pug, Young Toby; best Newfoundland, Carlo; best bulldog, Belle of the Ball; best bull terrier, Little Dorrit; best beagle under twelve inches, Royal Krueger. Kennels:—St. Bernards, Hospice Kennel; pointers, Myrtlewood Kennels; spaniels, J. P. Willey; collies, Chestnut Hill Kennels; beagles, Harmony Kennels.

Kennel Notes.

Mr. A. C. Krueger has removed to Pittsburg, Pa. His address for the present is 308 Fifth avenue.

The premium list for the Boston show is out. Dr. William Jarvis has been selected to judge pointers.

A meeting of the Eastern Coursing Club will be held in the South parlor of the Ashland House, New York, at 9 P. M. Tuesday, Feb. 21.

There will be a meeting of the board of governors of the Eastern Field Trials Club at Madison Square Garden on Wednesday, Feb. 22, at 8:30 P. M.

The famous Plinlimmon is, after all, going to stay at home, and will not be exhibited at the New York show. This will be a disappointment to many.

The Rensselear Kennel Club, of Troy, N. Y., intend holding a dog show in that city, March 20, 21 and 22. The address of the secretary is A. M. Ide, Troy, N. Y.

Mr. D. M. Barringer, of Philadelphia, has lost by death the pointer "Belle Noble," and Mr. A. J. Sprague, of Englewood, Ill., has had the Irish setter "Champion Brush" killed by a locomotive.

The Mt. Washington Kennel, of Pittsburg, Pa., has received a brace of English setters from England. Queenie, by Royal Rock, out of Sall II., and also Royal Racket, by Royal Rock, out of Sall II.

The Chequasset Kennels, Lancaster, Mass., have just received two valuable additions to their stock in Lady Newcastle (champion Plinlimmon—Bangle II.), and Neige (Baron of Cardiff—champion Pleona).

The Miami Kennels, at Madeira, O., has purchased the handsome white, black and tan setter dog, Horace T., A. K. C. S. B. No. 5,030. He is by champion Roderigo, out of Lit, winner of the celebrated Grousedale-Lit $1,000 field-trial match.

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The Toronto *Empire* of the 16th says:—"Champion Memnon, the greatest greyhound in America, has been sold by the proprietors of the Terra Cotta Kennels of this city to New York parties, and was shipped to his destination yesterday afternoon. The price is not divulged."

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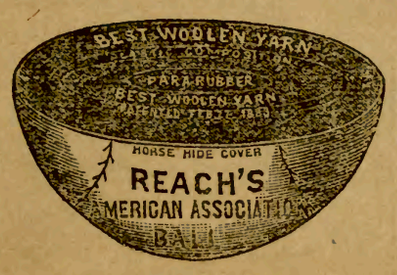

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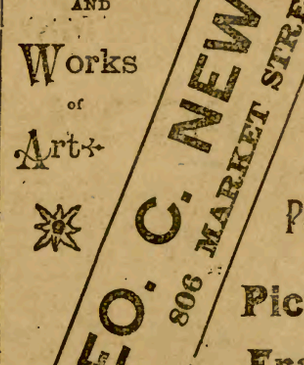

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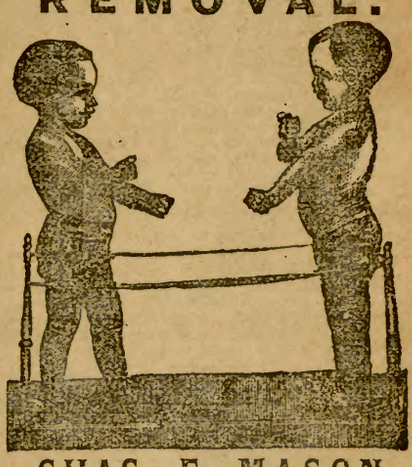

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