

DOG PROPERLY STANDS FIRST

G. All the "Bute" Creation, That Faithful Animal Max Rendered the Greatest Service to Man.

In the early days, centuries and centuries ago, man lived mostly by the chase, as today the last surviving savage tribes still live. The raising of herds, the tilling of the soil, the manufacture of goods, all were unknown. Wild animals, hunted in the forests with stone weapons and pointed sticks, furnished almost the only resource. Their fish gave food, their skins provided clothing. To catch the game, a fleet-footed auxiliary in the chase was necessary; to keep these dangerous animals in a proper state of awe, a courageous defender was needed by man. This auxiliary, this defender, and, best of all, this friend, devoted even to death, was the dog; a gift from heaven to help man in his pitiful beginnings. With the aid of the dog, life was rendered less perilous, food more assured. Leisure followed, and from being a hunter man became a herdsman. The herd was formed, at first very indolent and at the slightest lack of watchfulness taking again to the wild-life of old. Its keeping was confided to the dog, which, posted on some rising ground of the pasture, its scent to the wind and ear on the watch, followed the herd with vigilant eye and rushed to bring back the runaways, or to drive off some evil-intentioned beast. Thanks to the dog, the herd gave abundance—milk and its products, flesh for food and warm wool for clothing. Then, relieved from the terrible anxiety concerning daily provisions, man took it into his head to dig in the earth and make it produce grain. Agriculture sprang up to being, and with it, little by little, civilization. By the very force of circumstances, therefore, man in all countries is at first a hunter, later he becomes a herdsman and ends by being an agriculturist. The dog is absolutely necessary to him, first for hunting, then for watching and defending the herd. Of all our domestic animals, accordingly, the dog is the earliest on record and the one that has rendered us the greatest service.—Chicago Daily News.

Helgoland Resuming.

The islanders, forced to migrate to the mainland during the war, have come back to Helgoland, and the smallest nation in the world, as the Helgolanders like to call themselves, is hoping that by another season the island will again be a popular summer resort. The thought that most disturbs them is the possibility that the demolition of the fortifications by the entente commission which is presently to arrive for that purpose may work some injury to the natural beauties of Helgoland. A correspondent who went there to have a last look at the German engineering which will soon be demolished, reports a state of general satisfaction among the islanders, and finds that Prussianism seems to have left no impress on the civil population. The feeling is everywhere that the future looks full of promise, and that the past is well got rid of.

Better Stories to Be Told.

"Let me write the songs of the nation and I care not who makes the laws," was the idea of a luncheon given recently by T. Tokonami, minister of home affairs, at his official residence to story tellers and singers from the cheaper amusement halls of Tokio. Japan has hundreds of story-telling halls, which vie with the cinemas in attracting throngs unable to attend more expensive entertainments. Tokonami said that the songs and stories of the people have a great influence on the character of the Japanese community, and he urged his guests to give the public only that which will elevate the mind and character, as well as prove interesting and artistic.—From the Japan Society Bulletin.

New Zealand's Trade With Japs.

Japan's imports into New Zealand are increasing rapidly, and they consist almost entirely of manufactured goods. During the war period large quantities of Japanese goods flooded the market, some of which were of a fairly good quality, but some were very shoddy. The shoddy goods were imported chiefly during 1916 and 1917, since which time the quality of the Japanese manufactures has greatly improved.

Refined Robbery.

"I don't understand all these daylight robberies," said the police officer. "The explanation is easy," replied the criminologist. "Robbers now have their own motor cars. Wealth brings refinement and they do not care to come into contact with the rough element one is likely to meet on the streets at night."

Inconsistent.

"Bah, sir!" snorted the irritable member of the club. "It's a waste of time to argue with you!" "You're an inconsistent fellow!" said the unhappy victim. "What do you mean?" "If you consider it a waste of time to argue with me, why don't you leave me my coat lapels and let me get on with my business?"

Stunned into Silence.

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Impatiently shooting a hole in the pillow, the burglar snapped:

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