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THE SPECIALTY SHOW

This, the most ambitious venture of the Club hitherto, was adjudged a great success. Mr. Henry Fleitmann, the judge chosen by the Club, has been good enough to write for The Bulletin an account of the day's doings, and little need be added. But the Club desires to express in public its deep indebtedness to the Committee who made the show and made it a success: Messrs. Lloyd, Little, Price and in particular Messrs. Sedgwick and Stern. Mr. Sedgwick was Chairman; on him fell the ultimate burdens and to him should come our ultimate thanks. But Mr. Stern also gave untiringly of labor and time, and a generous contribution from him of \$50.00 towards the expenses of the show, was what enabled us to "break even" without using quite all of our February appropriation.

Since the show, reports come in from all sides to the Secretary that the demand for first class puppies is greater than the supply. There is no room for doubt that the Club was helped by its venture in just the best way — in encouragement to the American breeder of good Scotties.

Mr. Fleitmann's letter follows:

August 3rd, 1915.

My dear Mrs. Saunders: —

I am very glad of the opportunity to add a slight contribution to your Bulletin by giving my views of the Specialty Show, and thank you for inviting my literary efforts.

There is absolutely no doubt in my mind that the show as regards the quality of the entries was most gratifying; unfortunately the day was very uncomfortable for the exhibitors, the cold wind blowing a gale through the very much exposed Italian Gardens of the Hotel Biltmore, where the show was held. Naturally under these circumstances the attendance was small, but the dyed in the wool enthusiasts were all present, and most conclusively proved that there is certainly no waning of interest in our breed, the best of all the terriers!

I cannot but compare this show with the one we held on Mr. Lauder's estate in Greenwich, Conn., on May 28th, 1910, just five years ago. On this occasion the show was held in conjunction with the West Highland and Welsh Terrier Clubs and was voted a great success. The dogs were judged by Mr. James Mortimer, who placed that fine old dog, Ch. Walescott Invader, at the top and the late William Dulles' Ems Chevalier second. In bitches Mr. Lloyd again scored, taking both top honors with Walescott Rebecca and Walescott Sally, respectively. At that show there were sixty-one Scotties entered as against seventy-five this year. I was Chairman of the bench Show Committee in 1910 and well remember what heroic efforts we made to gather together those sixty-one, so was naturally tremendously pleased to find that our former record had been beaten by so great a margin without any loss of quality; in fact I think the general average was far better at our last show, this being particularly noticeable in the American bred classes. So much for my comparison. After this fine showing of improvement I trust we shan't have to wait five years for the next show!

The puppy dog class stands out by itself. I really consider it remarkable, and offer my heartiest congratulations to Mr. Lloyd for breeding four such good ones as Walescott Maister Wullie, W. Sporting Chance, W. Daredevil's Double and W. Wee Laddie, which were placed in the order named. Maister Wullie is a wonderful specimen and I am glad to see has gone to the top every time shown since the Specialty Show. At that time, though I could scarcely fault him, I did think him a trifle immature to be placed over Braw Laddie and Prime Minister.

The American bred brought out Newcastle Prime Minister, now five years old but in beautiful condition and a very typical dog. It was a hard task to decide between this one and Maister Wullie, but as I have mentioned, Prime Minister seemed to me more finished.

In the limit class seventeen dogs entered the ring, certainly as fine a lot as I have ever seen. Here a little dog, Hillcote

Shanty, came very near wresting the honors from Prime Minister, but the latter scored in front and general character and I again gave him the blue.

Open dogs brought out Ch. Clonmel Braw Laddie, whom I had not seen for a number of years. Age has certainly improved this dog, and if he were a trifle shorter on the leg he would come very near to being perfect. He won from Earlybird Troubadour, a dog hard to get away from, but on that day very poor in coat and badly put down. Hillcote Shanty here went to third. Braw Laddie received winners with Newcastle Prime Minister reserve.

Bitches were not up to the standard of the dogs by any means, and none can claim particular distinction till we reach the limit class, where Walescott Ruminantly Rivit made her appearance. This is a beautiful bitch full of character and one hard to fault. Second went to Earlybird's Clonmel Comely, a very fine specimen but very unwilling to show; with a little more spirit so that one could really see her qualities, I am sure she should go very much higher. Third, Closeburn Jean, a fair sort who also won the American bred. She is a trifle high and might be better in front.

In open bitches Ruminantly Rivit won again with Champion Walescott Shady Lady second; there is little to choose between these two. The latter is the dam of the puppy dogs which won the brood bitch prize. She should certainly be a proud mother! Here Clonmel Comely went to third. Winners bitches were as placed in this class.

Mr. Walter Stern showed a very level team and brace and easily scored in both of these classes.

The show was certainly a great success and I can only say I was tremendously flattered to be asked to judge it. I also take his opportunity to thank the Club for its great generosity in presenting me with the handsome gift I received for rendering my humble services.

Very sincerely,
HENRY T. FLEITMANN.

FROM SCOTLAND

We are indebted to the Scottish Terrier Club of Scotland for three spoons to be offered in competition to our members. Arriving too late for the Specialty Show, they are to be offered at Boston this autumn, under Miss Brigham, for the best American bred, best bred by exhibitor, and best puppy bred by exhibitor. It is our pleasure to send to the Scotch Club in acknowledgment of their courtesy, three of the Club's silver medals to be offered as they deem best.

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POPULARITY

Mr. Stead's note in the present Bulletin is but one of many telling of more orders than can be filled just now. Curiously enough the English "Our Dogs" remarks the same thing; that "war or no war, the Diehard is enjoying a market at the moment equal to any in the previous history of the breed." Mr. Cowley, for instance, reports that he has sold more Scotties since last August than he usually does in two ordinary years, and that not for a decade has there been such a demand for the breed.

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SCOTTIE LOVERS AND THE WAR

This report is the more remarkable because the shows on the other side are suffering so severely on account of the war. The Scottish Kennel Club, for instance, "owing to the large number of members and exhibitors who had answered their country's call," have decided to abandon their annual Open Championship Show, and to levy no membership fees for the current year. This decision leaves Scotland, "for the first time within the memory of the average dog fancier," minus a championship show for the year.

And sadder news comes. The great Scotch breeder, Mr. John Campbell of North Berwick, has lost his son of wounds received at the front. Mr. Campbell is known to all of us through his Ornsay Scotties, and to some of us personally as well. We learn with great sorrow of his bereavement.

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FROM OUR MEMBERS

Miss Baylis, Strathspey Kennels, has bought from Mr. Irvine two puppies, S. Bit Lassock and S. Sandall, by her Ornsay Knight ex Hatton Topsey. The little Lassock has since died of pneumonia. Sandall "looks to be a winner."

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Miss Brigham's Grafton Kennels, North Grafton, Mass., have as usual good sales to report: Two dog pups to Mrs. Stewart and dog pups to Miss Fairbanks, Miss Sturgis and Mrs. Forbes; bitch puppies to Mrs. Wild and Mr. C. A. Merriam, Jr. The following matings have taken place: Grafton the Twinkle and Strathspey Sonsy to G. the Farmer; G. the Bee to G. the Woodpecker; G. the Soot and G. the Sparrow to Meadow Lad. Miss Brigham adds as her comment on Miss Hager's note below: "I have received as a gift from Miss Hager, Dundreggan Dumfries, best Scot in show San Francisco, and a beautiful brood bitch by Ch. Tickle 'em Jock ex Ch. Baughfell Flirt." Certainly this is a notable move from West to East.

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Miss Fanny Brooks, Readville, Mass., we are delighted to learn, is recovering from her accident which laid her in bed "for the first time for eighteen years." She reports a litter, now three months old, of seven dog pups ex her bitch Bingie by Miss Merriam's Jamie by Wheatland Boy. This rivals the litter of seven dogs reported in the last Bulletin ex Miss Wilson's Bluebell by Claymore Commander. Can any member beat it?

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Miss Crawford of Evanston, Ill., has a nice new bitch, Ruminantly Rhyme. Still better, she sends word of "two big litters," one ex Bapton Wishful by Barlae Defiance; the other ex Carntoi by Ch. Keppoch Dugald. We were all delighted that Miss Crawford made a win with one of her "own American

breeds, her first" at the Specialty. May these new litters have the same good fortune.

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Dr. Ewing (Nosegay Kennels, Kirkwood, Mo.) has had his share of ill fortune of late, losing his well-known bitch Alborne Unco last month. It is good to learn therefore of his unusual success in importing three bitches in whelp in July from Mr. Walter Flett of Bannockburn fame. Two of these are for himself, — Ole Mizzoo, in whelp to B. Wallace, and B. Rosie, in whelp to Fairhaven Fusilier. Fusilier, the present great winning son of Bapton Norman, at only fifteen months, has just won his full championship in England, and Nosegay will have his first pups in America. "I am delighted with Rosie," writes Dr. Ewing. "She won't go to the backyard to eat if I am in front, and 'laughs' when she sees me come; you can throw dice on her back." He reports himself as more than satisfied with his dealings with Mr. Flett. Mr. Flett was one of the founders of the Scottish Terrier Club in England, and others of us who have had relations with him, remember him with like cordiality.

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Messrs. Gillis & Stern, Hillcote Kennels, Pittsford, N. Y., may well be proud of the record their young imported Shanty is making for himself as sire. Mr. Buell of Rochester writes of a litter of five by him, "all very short and cobby and showing extreme quality;" and the Hillcote Kennels bitch, Newcastle Dare, has whelped nine to him, six dogs and three bitches, now four weeks old and all doing well. York Avondale Altcar, Mrs. Offerman's winning bitch at Mineola, has just been bred to him.

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Miss Alice Hager (Burlingame, Cal.,) has sent to Miss Brigham two Scotties, the first to go East from California, Dundreggan Drusilla and Dumfries. Dumfries is by Ch. Bruntsfield

Battler ex Mr. Albright's Ch. Baughfell Flirt. As might have been expected from this parentage, he took Reserve Winners at Westchester November last. Battler and twelve puppies died by ptomaine poisoning from a bad can of condensed milk. There is a growing demand, Miss Hager reports, for Scotties in California, where they are slowly beginning to push the Airedale as pets. "Ch. Tickle 'em Jock is still alive, aged eight, and the best old pal in the world." The Club sends special thanks for this message across the continent.

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Dr. Harvey of Exeter Kennels, Exeter, R. I., sends word of the pluck of his bitch, Champion Scotch Rose, in helping save the life of the wife of his kennelman. "A large buck deer, infuriated by being approached while in company with his mate, had risen on his hind legs and had made several attacks upon her, attempting to strike her down with his forelegs. She called Rose, who rushed at him and stood her ground till her mistress had reached safety." This is pretty good evidence that the highest "show qualities" do not mean a fool dog. A Scottie may be a champion and a hero, too, and we congratulate Mr. Harvey on having such a one.

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Miss Frances Hoppen, Cornwall-on-Hudson, N. Y., announces an excellent litter of five in July, ex her Tickle 'em Jock bitch, Laurel, by Mr. Irvine's Dominie. She offers for sale a daughter of Ornsay Flurry by Grafton the Farmer, black, ten months old, over distemper, healthy, house trained and of a particularly nice disposition. Her mistress is "keen to sell this little person for a pet." We hope she may find a home with one of the Club.

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Miss Amy Hutton, one of our new members, passes on a piece of information which may be of interest to Scottie own-

ers. It came from one of the backwoods neighbors of her Massachusetts farm, who, seeing her Scottie (a son of Walescott Invader!), confided: "They do say there's a strong strain o' skunk in them dogs."

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Mr. Robert Irvine, Hempstead, L. I., sends word of the sale of his imported Scotties, Ornsay Beryl, Dileas and Sycamore Ruffian. Ornsay Knight, whose sale to Miss Baylis he has already reported, is proving a great stock-getter. Ruffian has left ten pups behind him, and the Dare Devil dog, Dominic, sired fourteen the first week in June. Mr. Irvine has bought "another young dog of great promise."

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Mr. C. C. Little, Newcastle Kennels, Brookline, Mass., reports that Miss Wilson's Tam o' Shanter Bluebell and his own Lady Ellen have just been mated to Claymore Commander, and that Closeburn Jean has whelped seven pups by him. Other fine dog pups on hand look like coming show dogs, especially one by Heworthdeen. The Kennels are undergoing some alterations and breeding is to be cut down for a few months, but "will start up again in time for spring pups." Meanwhile they offer for sale Newcastle Scotch Bon, first American bred, Boston, 1914, Mineola, 1915; first American bred and winners, Framingham, 1914, and Toy Spaniel Club (N. Y.) show, 1914. A chance for someone!

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Mr. F. G. Lloyd, Walescott Kennels, Bernardsville, N. J., has been undergoing the experience common to so many breeders this year. Seven out of nine bitches, due in July, have failed to whelp, though bred to four or five different dogs. Mr. Lloyd's theory is too much kennel and not enough roaming or freedom, but judging from the commonness of the experience, there would seem to be something exceptional about this year.

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The Kennels have lost the bitch Mavis, but are getting over a new dog and a bitch from Merlewood, England. Miss Livingston and Mrs. Cadwalader have bought bitch pups ex Shady Lady by Laidon Linn. Two new litters have arrived, both by Merlewood Laddie, one ex the Invader bitch Fancy and one ex the great mother, Shady Lady — may she have another Maister Wullie.

This wonderful puppy is the pride of the Club at the moment. The editor of "Fancier" calls him "really a little wonder, and far away the best we have yet produced." At Mineola, the English judge, Mr. Holland Buckley, who had bred the Specialty Show winners dog, Ch. Braw Laddie, awarded to this ten-month puppy winners over his own old friend; the delight of the audience over this signal triumph of our President was a pleasure to see. Since then Wullie has won Winners and best Scot in show every time shown: at the Terrier Show, Chestnut Hill; the Bide-a-Wee Show at Orange; the Southampton Kennel Club. He has only just missed becoming a champion while still a puppy.

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Miss Eleanor M. Mellon, Morristown, N. J., sends word of a litter of seven (two dogs, five bitches) nearly three months old, ex her Merlewood Bessie by Laidon Lorne.

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Dr. Hannah Morris, West Chester, Pa., we are delighted to hear is recovering from her severe illness. She has some nice dog pups for sale at very reasonable prices — some whelped June 14; the others July 18, which "appear better than the first," all by Bunker, a grandson of Ch. Bapton Norman.

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Miss Ruth Murray of Chappaqua, N. Y., a new member of the Club, had a litter of four males ex her Cromarty Little Tinee by Walescott Beadle. Walescott has bought them all;

and exhibits their big bone and development with pride. Another case of "amateur's luck" like Mrs. Stryker's?

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Miss Ellen Ryerson, Springfield Centre, N. Y., reports the arrival of a very promising litter of three ex her Avondale Aintree, by Claymore Tackler. It is good to see that several of our new members, recently started in the sport, are having luck with their breeding, at a time when so many of the older hands are suffering disappointments.

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Mr. Robert Sedgwick, Jr., New York, reports that his bitch, Earlybird Cymbal, who missed last spring in company with so many of our brood matrons, has just visited Mr. Irvine's Sycamore Ruffian. Better luck this time!

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Mr. Clarence Stead of Princeton, N. J., the most recent member of the Club, reports two "corking" litters by his Hot Scotch Sensation, one ex Prospect Heights Tammy, owned by Mr. Crawley of Peoria, Ill., and the other ex his own Wellworth Maggie. It is quite impossible, Mr. Stead says, to supply the demand for pups; he has found it necessary to refer purchasers to other breeders. One of the chief objects of this Bulletin is to make members acquainted with the stock that others have for sale, and thus to help us all in disposing of our stock be-times. It is hoped that Club members will get into the habit of consulting it to place orders that they cannot themselves fill, and above all to help the beginners to establish themselves.

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Mr. Walter Stern, Earlybird Kennels, Ossining, N. Y. A shadow was cast over the Specialty Show by the news that came to most of us for the first time there that Mrs. Stern had lost her beautiful Bapton Beryl. Mr. Lacy of "The Fancier" voices the opinion of many of us in calling this bitch "the best Scottie of her day, and many think of any day." No Scottie

lover, who ever saw her at her best, is likely to forget her, and her loss is a loss to the whole Club. She died in whelping eight puppies to Merlewood Laddie, of whom four were saved by a foster mother. Two of them are especially promising.

E. Clonmel Comely has a fine litter of four by E. Troubadour, now four weeks old. E. Scot and E. Jeanie have been bred respectively to E. Jerry and Laidon Lorne. The Kennel offers pups for sale ex their English Champion E. Olivia, E. Estelle and E. Edna. Mr. Stern adds: "I have several grown dogs that I would sell for a nominal sum, and one or two that I might give away to good homes with assurances that the same would never be shown or used for breeding hereafter." Is not this information alone worth the price of the Bulletin?

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Mrs. Goss Stryker, Derby, N. Y., has raised a litter ex her Gael Lark by her Ch. Foxhill's Symbol dog, Cromarty Master Macduff. The litter numbered eight and were raised without the aid of a foster mother. At three months I saw them, sturdy, hard, of such magnificent bone that they looked like English puppies. I have, for the use of us all, begged for the Bulletin an account of their rearing:

"They were born in a temperature of 80 degrees and kept for six weeks not under 70 degrees. I fed the mother all the nourishing food she could take, largely malted milk. With the little chaps I started in before they had their eyes open to try malted milk, so by the time they were seeing things they were eager for this diet. I tried them constantly and what they did not finish the mother did. After the first few feedings I added cornflakes to the malted milk; they seemed to prefer pudding to drink. Rich cow's milk thickened with twice baked bread or cornflakes was the next diet. I added one-third lime

water to the milk and we never had a case of indigestion. At three weeks seeing signs of worms I gave them Ashmont's No. 1 Vermifuge, less than half a teaspoonful ("Kennel Secrets"). They were a very limp set of beasties, but within six hours were as lively as crickets. By six weeks they were having six feedings a day — a quart at a feeding divided between the eight. The first and last feedings were of malted milk, thickened with cornflakes; midday, soup and bread, with a teaspoonful of precipitated phosphate of lime; the other three feedings, cow's milk and cornflakes. As soon as their teeth appeared they had biscuits to chew on and always plenty of shank bones to fight over."

Reading this account of patient painstaking, one begins to guess what may be back of "amateurs' luck." The males of this litter are sold; the females are offered at a very low price.

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Mr. T. C. Tebbetts (Lynn, Mass.,) writes: "I have nothing further to report, for since he burst into print in the last Bulletin, my old terrier has become a high-brow."

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Mr. Wolstencroft, 1357 Newport Ave., Pawtucket, R. I., seems to have no "race suicide" to report down his way. His stud dog, Hielan Terror, whose good litters in the Exeter Kennels were reported in our last Bulletin, has in July sired the following litters; one of eight pups for Mr. Oscar Swanson, and one of six (four dogs, two bitches) and finally one of ten (seven dogs, three bitches) for his master. This is an average of seven puppies for six services in succession — a record indeed this year. These last two litters are for sale, and Mr. Wolstencroft reports them as healthy, large and rugged. Ch. Balgownie Laddie is at the Kennels, too. He has been ill, "in fact, I stayed up with him night and day to pull him through," but he too now is in fine trim.

A NEW CLUB

Dr. Ewing of Nosegay Kennels and Mr. J. Steele Mackenzie of Cincinnati are getting under way a Scottish Terrier Club of the Central States. In an excellent letter to prospective members, Mr. Mackenzie makes the following suggestions:

That it include Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Kentucky and such other States as may apply for membership.

That in each State be formed a "section," to meet at Cincinnati, Indianapolis, Chicago, St. Louis and Louisville.

That each "section" provide a State Cup, open yearly to members of the Association at the leading State Show, for the best brace under eighteen months, owned and bred by the exhibitor.

That all prizes offered, except these State Cups, be open to all breeders in the States in which the Association exists, whether members or no, the only qualification necessary being that the exhibitor be the owner and breeder of the dog exhibited.

There is no doubt that these suggestions could be evolved into a series of competitions, calculated, as Mr. Mackenzie says, "to stimulate into energy our most disgruntled fanciers." And he adds, "Commercialism and supporting the best principles of a Specialty Breeders' Club cannot be associated. The welfare of a breed should be entrusted only to a body of wholesouled sportsmen who are prepared to sacrifice their self-interest in protection of the breed. It is not necessary to have wealth to be a true sportsman. Speaking for the fanciers in the State of Ohio — so soon as we gather up our scattered forces, we will gladly throw down the gauntlet to the members of the other States in the Association."

Mr. Mackenzie and Dr. Ewing were among the founders and original officers of our present Club, and their brave new venture will be followed with the good will of all of us.

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