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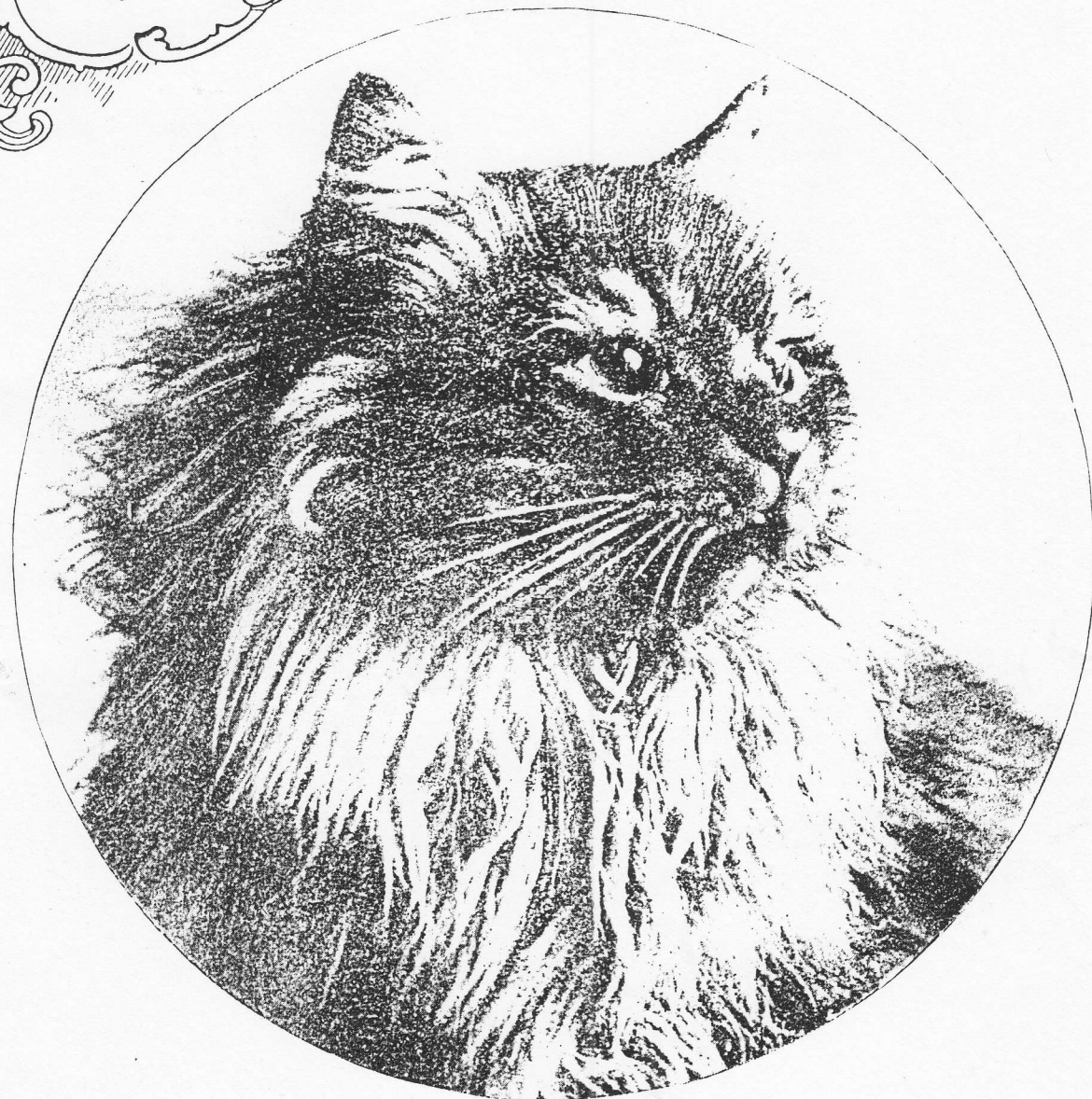
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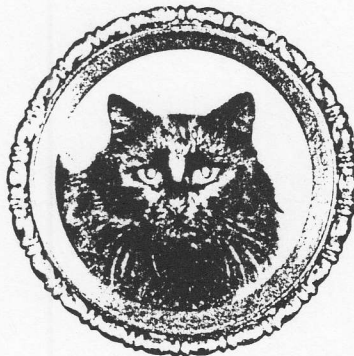
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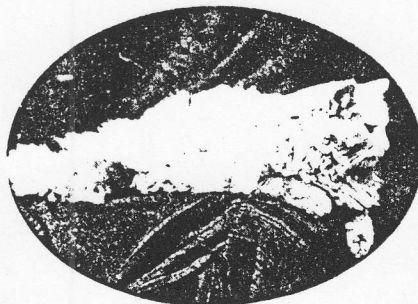
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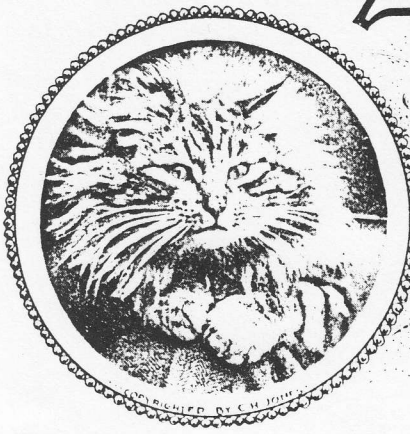
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ONE MORE QUESTION.

An Auburn lady tells us this story of the child who asks questions: He had been at it all day. From when the birds sang in the morning to the hour when it became chilly under the awning, it had been "Papa this and papa that: papa, what makes the birds fly? What bird can fly the farthest? Who taught 'em? Why? Where does the grass go in winter? Who puffed the clouds?" until every muscle in his father's tongue ached.

Finally he could stand it no longer. In relating it to another he said: "Finally I rebelled. I was sick and tired, and I said to myself, that duty to my offspring did not require me to answer any more questions, and I wouldn't do it. I put him to bed. He hated to go; for he had more questions that he wanted to ask. I was relentless.

another question; no, not one. He went to bed tearfully and I sat down to rest.

"Suddenly my heart smote me.

Poor little chap. He couldn't help it; he was so curious, and as I thought all this my heart softened, and I stole up to his bedside. He was awake. 'Hello, papa,' said he. 'Hello,' said I. 'I have come up to see you, son. You have been a good boy not to cry and you can ask one more question, and only one.' A look of delight swept over his face, and quick as a flash as though the whole desire of life were centered in this bit of knowledge, he said: 'Papa, how far can a cat spit?'—Inglenook.



MRS. F. A. LOOMIS AND LORD BYRON.

Mrs. Loomis is Proprietor of Sunflower Cat Kennels, Emporia, Kansas.

A copy of THE CAT JOURNAL received and Am more than pleased to know that we have at last such a paper

in our country and will do all in my power to make it a success.—Mrs. W. I. Sweet.

The entire floor of the beautiful residence of Mrs. George Law Smith was occupied by the assembled hosts of high-bred catdom, as represented by the famous felines, the property of members of the Pacific Cat Club.

The occasion was the second exhibition and reception of this club in aid of its projected hospital and refuge for the sick and homeless cats of San Francisco.

It was a most gratifying success, the attendance being beyond all expectation and toward the close of the afternoon many could not find room within the doors.

Careful selection was shown in the excellence of the stock exhibited. Hundreds of San Francisco's "smart set," bowed in adulation before these favorite, but haughty aristocrats of the feline world.

A portion of the exhibition was appropriately placed within the spacious music room, including the beautiful white gelding, Fluff, weighing 25 pounds, who is favored with eyes of that delightful shade of blue matching the sky of a cloudless California day, and Doc, another famous gelding tabby, in markings resembling

nothing so much as a burly tiger cub, beaming gentleness from his great dark eyes in reassurance to those who timidly approached his cage.

Chom was also there, he of the "hermit kingdom," from far Siam; attired in the latest mode of his race and looking his Imperial descent.

In an adjoining apartment, amidst a wealth of palms and trailing greens and profuse decorations in bunting and tapestry; predominant in which were the national colors in all variety of arrangement, with sprays of the golden Acacia typifying the club color, were placed the balance of the petted beauties. Fancy lamps, in beautiful variety, placed within convenient niches, were lighted during the evening, shedding a soft radiance upon the scene suggestive of oriental traditions of the assembled pets.

The decorations were a feature of the exhibit and

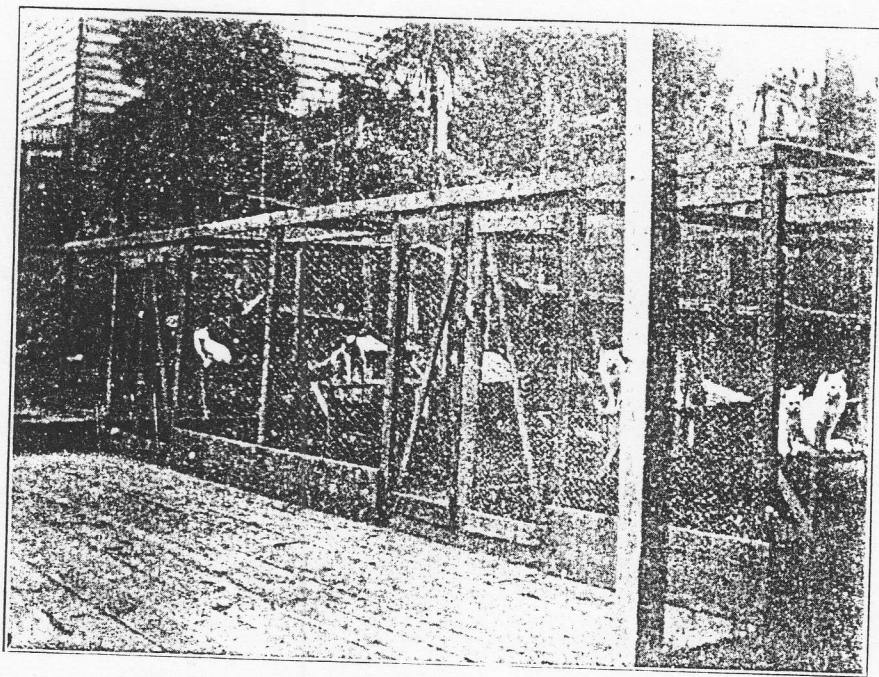
which approval of their excellence was expressed to the committee in charge, Mrs. C. C. Reidy and Mrs. A. H. Abbott.

Among the exhibits in this room were Omar, son of Royal Norton, a splendid white Persian, Middy, the much photographed, he of the beautiful eyes, waited upon by a host of admirers.

The Kitten Class was well represented by Massar, James K. Hackett, Mary Mannering, Fifi, Booth and Barrett and Toodles. The Siamese were Sikh and Rowdy.

The enormous Angora, White Muggins, Buster, White Persian, Tatters and Tortoiseshell were also among those shown.

A mite box in aid of club refuge was placed upon a pedestal in the vestibule, with the following inscription:



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"We've a project now in view, Perhaps it will interest you. We will lodge and feed poor cats, Sick and homeless ones at that. If we get the money, Will you help us? Thanks."

That the charitable were not absent was in evidence by a full box.

From Mrs. Wm. Lyman: I want to tell you how pleased I am with the CAT JOURNAL, it is so wide awake and up to

date in every way, so bright, and the beautiful pictures alone are worth the price of subscription. In short it is what has been demanded by cat lovers for a long time, a good cat journal.

Do not get the idea that it is necessary to starve a cat in order to have it catch mice and rats. A well fed cat seldom eats them, but will watch a hole half a day in order to catch them. It is their nature.

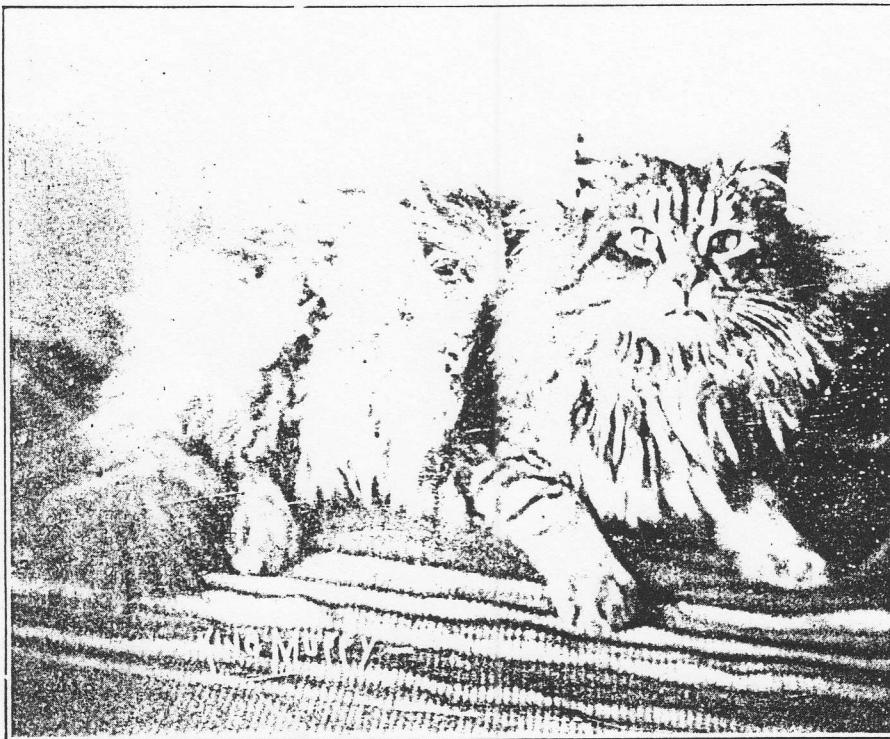
A few points for the benefit of beginners; First, in selecting a kitten look at the fore paws and be not alarmed if the body color is a shade or two dark. If the fore paws are lighter and of the desirable shade purchase your kitten; the coat when kitted cat is grown will be the required shade. This we have found true in our own kennels, especially with silvers, blues and creams.

ON BREEDING AND BIRTH OF KITTENS.

BY MRS. CLARE D. BARKER.

Mating the queen to one's own cat is simpler than going afield for one, but if this is necessary send her as soon as possible with every precaution, as often the nervousness of the journey puts her out of condition, and the service is not always successful from various causes, and so one must cultivate philosophy and courage and try again. When the mating can be done at home, put them together alone if possible and leave them twenty-four hours or a bit longer if it seems necessary. It is sometimes wise to take a queen away from a too ardent male at night, as one can keep an eye to matters during the day. Now and again the gentleman will not approve of the lady and refuse absolutely to have anything to do with her, then from

each unsettled for a bit do not disturb yourself. It is only quite natural and a pellet or so of *nux vomica* will set her quite right. Give all the exercise out of doors possible, it is not absolutely indispensable, but is most excellent when convenient. Do not handle the cat in this condition unnecessarily and during the last weeks do not lift her by the paws, or at all, if it can be avoided. For a few days before birth I give the mother a dose once or twice of homeopathic *pulsatilla*; and though I have raised hundreds of kittens I have fortunately never had an evil experience at this time. If labor seems prolonged continue the *pulsatilla* from time to time which makes it easier. If puss wants your presence and sympathy stay with her; it will make her more content and you will not risk having the babies dropped all over the floor or from the tables and chairs,



KING MUFFY, BELONGING TO MRS. N. H. SHERMAN, WORCESTER, MASS.

He is a son of Muffy. The mother was imported from Asiatic Turkey.

this there is no appeal, and little Miss must be sent elsewhere. My dear old Humbert distressed me sorely one year by scorning, to the point of raising his furry paw against, the impassioned advances of a most lovely black lady I had just imported from England; fortunately the following year he quite approved of her. I have seen the "one service" theory advanced from time to time. I believe this to be adequate in very few cases. One service will fertilize the ova, which are present at the time, but I think they do not all present themselves at once, therefore the moral of this is obvious. There is no special care to be observed for a cat in kitten which simple good sense would not suggest. Feed well and intelligently, guard from fright and injury as is necessary at any time, do not feed raw fish if she is not used to it. Should she vomit or show her stom-

ach sometimes happens in the case of a young queen. After the first kitten appears you may leave her with confidence; it usually is best to let her attend to all her own duties, but if the kits follow one another quickly I find it best to take away the after birth, cutting it at least two inches from the kitten with a pair of sharp scissors. If they arrive quickly and there are more than three this help keeps the mother from great exhaustion. After it is over take mother and kits out carefully and remove the papers or cloth, putting in dry clean ones. After putting them back, hold a dish of warm milk to the mother, then go out and leave them quiet. Do not handle, or allow any confusion about them. I give food when the mother wants it, usually in two hours or more holding it to her in the nest. This may be a low standard, ...

so the top is covered and the opening in front with a piece of board nailed across the bottom. The bed will require changing every few days and if it is flea season, the fleas prefer the babies to the mother, so my friends look out. Spring kits do not have this misery nor do the mistresses have this great care. A cupboard is the most ideal place for kittens. It is quiet, draft proof and dark. It is said in nature a mother always keeps her kits in the dark for three weeks. So we might do wisely to follow her example as ophthalmia is an ever present danger to be guarded against where there are young kittens.

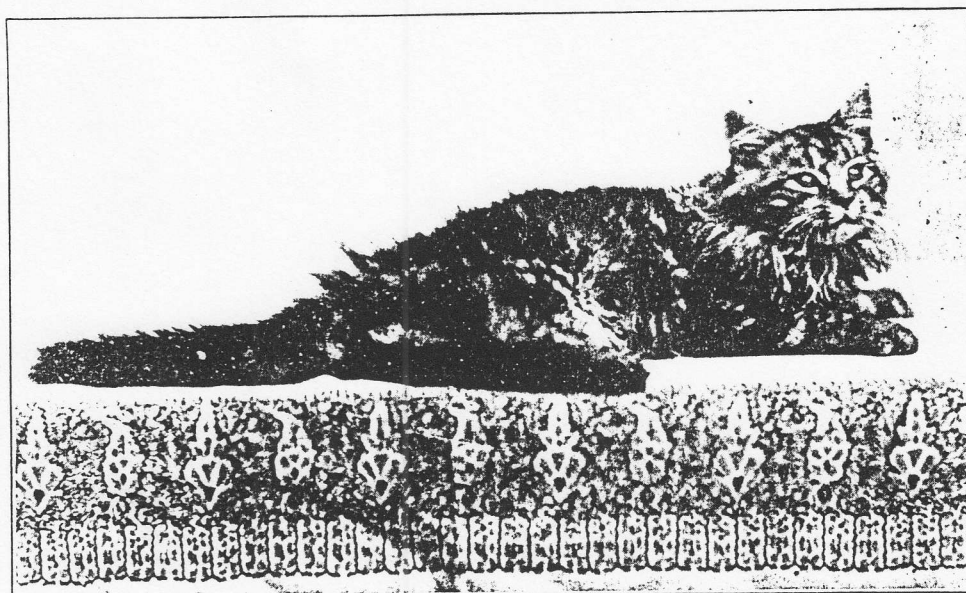
THE BERESFORD CAT CLUB, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

In an article in "The Record Times," Chicago, Mrs. Clinton Locke, president of the club says: It is nearly a year since the first volume appeared in behalf of the

whether from Maine or India, but what we want is the fair truth about the animal, so that we may trace color, peculiarities and breeding—in order to develop points which go to make up the best results. This must develop beautiful cats of dependable type and color, that will aid us all.

I think this club the largest in the world, and we trust all who study and desire the best interest of the cat will give their registrations to the club that has been the pioneer in publishing the first stud book for cats in America—for it has taken courage, patience, perseverance and money to accomplish all this.—Adele G. D. Locke, president Beresford Cat Club of America, 2825 Indiana Ave., Chicago, Ill.

From Mrs. Edith K. Neel. Received my April number to day and am more pleased than I can express with its increasing beauty and helpfulness.



SIR KNIGHT.

Gray Tabby from Imported Stock. A resident of Riverside Kennels, E. Brady, Pa. Miss Cora Wallace, Proprietor.

effort to trace the lineage of well and carefully bred cats—short and long haired breeds, native and foreign. This has been done by the Beresford Cat Club of Chicago. The club numbers over 250 members and registrations have come in from all parts of this country and Canada. The second volume is forming rapidly and will be published as soon as the requisite number is reached. Every effort has been made to make this book a thoroughly reliable record. Not only must names of owners appear with their cats, but, in giving names of sires and dams and their progenitors, the names and addresses of their owners are also required to avoid fraud in handing in a made up pedigree. A string of names is a very easy thing to write but it is not such a simple matter to give references which can be found or investigated.

If a cat has no history and is a splendid specimen it can begin a pedigree and stand on its own merits

Do not be so cruel as to deprive the cat or kitten of plenty of fresh water.

If you wash or wet the cat at all be sure that it is well protected from the cold until it is perfectly dry.

Because a remedy is good for a dog do not think that it is good for the cat. Many remedies that might be of use to a dog would kill a cat.

Allow no one to handle cats about to become mothers. If you have to do it use great care, picking them up with both hands and in such a manner that it will not strain them.

From Mrs. Marion Steele. I am a subscriber to your handsome journal. Every word of the printed matter adlets cuts and all are a delight to me. I wish you unbounded success.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BERESFORD CAT CLUB.

At the annual meeting of the Beresford Cat Club held at the club rooms, at 560 Wabash Ave., Chicago, the following officers for the ensuing year were elected: President, Mrs. Clinton Locke; first vice-president, Mrs. C. H. Lane; second vice-president, Mrs. F. A. Howe; recording secretary, Miss L. C. Johnstone; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Albert E. Michelson; treasurer, Mrs. Elwood Tolman; directors, Mrs. J. H. Pratt, Mrs. M. Fisk Green, Miss L. L. Fergus, Mrs. B. P. Robinson, Mrs. Vincent E. Gregg.

The election was unanimous, showing the utmost harmony among the members. All but one, Mrs. Michelson, were re-elected, she taking the place of Mrs. Clark, who resigned on account of her removal from the city.

After the election of officers a committee was appointed to look after the humane part of the work—the providing of homes for stray cats, and the disposition of all sick or maimed cats. The committee consists of Mrs. Mattie Fisk Green, Miss Bessie Saul and Miss Edytha W. Gregg.

The treasurer's report, given by Mrs. Lane, was most encouraging, showing for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1901: Money received from all sources, \$1,714.53; money disbursed, \$1,111.38; balance in treasury, \$600.15.

The club is absolutely free from debt, and is in a flourishing condition in every way.

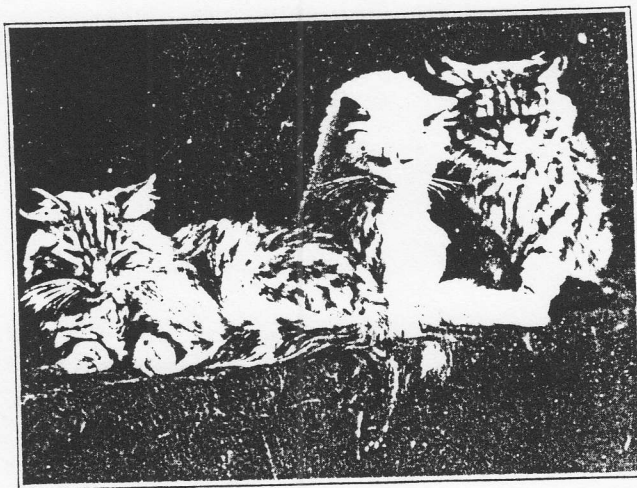
The monthly meeting was held the last Saturday in April.

The regular monthly meeting of the Beresford Cat Club of America was held Saturday, April 27th, in the club rooms, 560 Wabash Ave. After listening to a very instructive and interesting lecture by Dr. A. H. Baker, the members and their guests partook of luncheon and spent a pleasant hour discussing subjects of interest to cat lovers. Among the guests the Club had the pleasure of entertaining were Mr. and Mrs. Forrie, of Shreveport, La., parents of Mrs. Baker. Mrs. Caroline G. Hildebrand, of San Francisco, treasurer of the Pacific Cat Club, Miss Nella B. Wheatley, of Mississippi, and Mrs. Libbie M. Thomas, of Terre Haute, Ind.

Allow me to congratulate you on your fine paper. I wish you all possible success.—Miss Helen L. Smith.

THIS IS GOOD.

The following from "Field and Fancy" is to the point and good advice: "A keynote of warning we should like to send broadcast all over the land, especially to the inexperienced or ambitious beginner, is this: Don't start out with the idea that all you have to do is to spend a little money, buy a male and two queens, and then lie back in the pleasure and enjoyment of anticipation, awaiting the arrival of your first litter of kittens, expecting confidently 'to get your money back the first litter,' as is glibly quoted by some dealers or sellers, anxious to make a speedy sale. This may be the experience of some, but my experience, as well as that of my friends, has not been such pleasant reading. I firmly believe every prospective breeder should serve an apprenticeship, and then, if she will, she may with fear and trembling, attempt a cattery of her own. In this unique and illusive venture, usually a combination of business and pleasure, fools rush in where angels fear to tread. A cattery furnished with these fascinating little animals should be thought over, and—most reverently do I say it—prayed over and then taken up by its owner with the realization that it means constant vigilance and love to each and every inhabitant.



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I think THE JOURNAL with its beautiful illustrations an attractive publication. Wishing you success in the undertaking and thanking you for your prompt attention to my order.—Mrs. W. F. Gregory.

From Miss Lucy Nichols.—The April number of THE CAT JOURNAL reached me yesterday and I am delighted with it. I had to sit down and read it right through before I could do anything else.

I wish to tell you how pleased I am with your new paper. I hope you will be able to keep it up to its very high standard and will be pleased to do all I can to assist you, as "many hands make light work."—Mrs. E. R. Pierce.

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Send us items of a personal character. Reports of
meetings, sales of cats, removals, anything in the way
of bits of news for Purrs and Scratches.

On the front page of our June number we expect to
show a portrait of Riger, the noted white male, be-
longing to Mrs. Josiah Cratty, of Oak Park, Ills.

Please try to give us all matter for THE CAT JOUR-
NAL by the 10th of the month previous to the date of
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the 25th of the month hereafter.

Please do not ask us for discounts on our advertis-
ing rates. We make but one rate to all. The rate is
low for a class journal of this character. No waste
copies. Our subscribers are all people interested in
cats.

Of all the letters we have received passing opinions
over THE CAT JOURNAL, we have had but one ex-
pressing disappointment and this was from a good
sister who wanted the pictures to be all cats and no
people.

The good results of our subscribers mentioning THE
JOURNAL to those who would be interested has al-
ready been felt. Each one probably knows someone
who would take our publication if the matter was
brought to their notice. You know who they are, we
do not.

And now Pennsylvania is to give us a cat paper
called Kit Cat. Let the good work go on. The more
the merrier. Cat Lovers usually take all they can
get on the subject. Of course we would like to be
"the whole thing" but this cannot be. The publisher,
and who it is, we know not, will find that even a pub-
lisher of a cat paper has his troubles.

There is considerable misunderstanding regarding
cats. Some think tabby is a name for females, others
think that all Angora cats are white. There are many
ways in which a journal of this character will prove
valuable to those who wish information in this line.

What a shame that all the past years kitty has been
without a journalistic champion. We always knew
she was a wonder but we find every one who owns a
cat or ever owned one is full of interesting stories
about the cat. Even we had some cats that were a
little the smartest—Oh, well, we wont tell you about
them at this time, for fear we would hurt your feel-
ings. We will wait until you have all told your
stories and then "we will a tale unfold."

Some dear people are very much worried over the
fact that cats are given homes while so many children
are homeless. Now neighbors let us whisper some-
thing in your ear. The animal lover is a humanity
lover and we do not believe you can find one who
would be good to a cat or dog who would not feed a
hungry child, while those who are so much worried
over this thing are not as a rule inclined to feed
either.

The Mutual Exchange is going to be a very inter-
esting, instructive and therefore valuable part of the
paper. If you dissent from any course of treatment
given in this department let it be known. This cor-
ner of our paper is what its name implies, a place for
mutual exchange of ideas. Send all matter belong-
ing to this department to Mrs. Barker and save us the
trouble of remailing.

The portrait on the cover page of this number repre-
sents the King of the Silvers from the Old Fort Cat-
tery, Akin, N. Y. Mrs. Mix has a number of very fine
imported cats and King heads the list. He is a fine old
English Gentleman with a prize list in his own name,
of the celebrated Southampton strain. He is evi-
dently conscious of this fact and enjoys his historical
surroundings in this country. King's own private
apartments are in the Stone Stable attached to the
Old Fort or rather Fort Johnson, which was built by
Sir William Johnson, the Indian Agent of Queen
Anne of blessed memory, in 1712. Later on we hope
to be able to show a picture of this charming old man-
sion and incidentally the cat's home.

PICTURES.



Have one made of your cat. Many have
small pictures in a group that they would
be glad to have enlarged but the cat is dif-
ficult to take, or is dead. Send us any
clear photograph you have and let us make
you a large picture. From a head the size of the little
picture shown in this item we can make a good sized
picture, and from that if you wish we can make you
an engraving.

We have always been an advocate of best stock. It is a satisfaction to have it. It sells readily and brings good prices. Take for instance the cats offered by Mrs. Locke in the March JOURNAL. The paper was out but a short time before we received word from Mrs. Locke that four of the best had been sold to Mrs. F. L. Norton and are at present at the Dukesbury Kennels at Duxbury, Mass. The prices obtained for these cats would make some of the stock raisers who spend three years raising a colt which is sold for \$75 hold up their hands in horror.

Ten years ago, one of the most successful breeders was Mrs. Otilie Borris, residing at that time near Boston. On account of ill health she was obliged for a time to let the business go and as a new lot of people interested in cats have in the meantime arisen she feels that she has rather lost her hold on the cat industry. Her husband has painted some very beautiful cat pictures. We have been favored with photographs of the same and we may be able to reproduce some of them after a time for THE JOURNAL. Mrs. Borris has now about thirty cats and kittens and while it hurts her to do it, says that she must sell some of them. Her address is Marshfield, Mass.

We thought we had a big story of cat prowess in our March number but lately in a call at South Brookfield, N. Y., upon Mr. and Mrs. Sweet, enthusiastic cat lovers and cat fanciers, they told of a cat that had caught eleven muskrats. Well, we were there at the house, saw both Mr. and Mrs. and could not doubt their word after seeing them. We saw the cat and it looked like an honest cat. We didn't see the brook, but they told where it was located. It seems the cat was suspected and watched. The brook was shallow and as the muskrat walked up stream in the shallow water the cat would jump on its back. Now this story, as we said, we are bound to believe, but we have about reached the limit, so if any of you have any cats that have caught any bears or sea lions we ask you when you send in the story to send an affidavit with it.

It was at Mrs. Sweet's we also heard about two cats that had found kittens in the same nest and brought them up together, the kittens eating at either table with the utmost unconcern. Oh, but this is a great country.

One of our friends, living in a place inconvenient for shipping, closed out some stock as low as \$1. She opened a letter in the presence of a friend which contained an order for the kitten and the money. She said to the friend, "There is the price of a kitten." The friend who was not as green as to believe all she heard, said, "I don't believe it," but when she read the letter and found some one had actually paid \$1 for a kitten, said: "Well, the fools are not all dead yet."

A person who would make a remark like that is a

lover of money more than a lover of cats, and if beautiful cats were put up in bunches like onions, and sold three bunches for ten cents, they would still think any one buying them a fool. What is there about a lot of filthy, germ polluted, dirty money that is so precious to some hearts? After your debts are paid it has no use, except to give away and do good to others less fortunate. A \$1 cat would provide pleasure and refining influence to a whole family for ten years while the same amount of money might be spent in a hundred ways more foolishly.

We have good matter sent to us that we can not use because it contains names of people and cats that we are unable to read. We asked to have all names printed as a child would print them but only one has complied with this request. Many times items are sent in that must be used at once; we have no time to write and find out the names, so we are obliged to let them go.

NOTICE.

Owing to illness, Mrs. Mabery desires to offer some of her cats for sale. Pure white stud, dark orange eyes, \$75. Chinchilla stud, (imported stock) \$125. Silver female, \$60. Shaded blue female, \$45. Tiger gelding, large, two years, and a great pet, \$30. Address Ferncroft Cattery, Winchendon, Mass.

ENLARGING PICTURES.

We make a point of enlarging pictures and trying to get a good head or picture from something that you may have that is not very good. Unfortunately when King Humbert, the noted Brown Tabby, and the father of Crystal, died, Mrs. Barker had only a small picture of him. The negative had become broken so that it was impossible to procure another. The picture they did have was in bad shape because some one had scratched it all up trying to improve it and came very near spoiling it for good. We persuaded Mr. and Mrs. Barker to let us take it and see what our artist could do and this is an extract from a letter we lately received from them about it.

"You have surpassed yourselves and our fondest expectations. Humbert's portrait came to-day and you would be repaid for all trouble if you could have seen our pleasure. It is a work of art and to us, too, who criticise it so sharply. The man is an artist, give him, for us, our heartiest thanks and congratulations."

The east may be a little slow in some things but in the cat business they seem to "get thar" in good style. The "for sale" notice of Mrs. Locke's valuable cats hardly had time to dry after appearance in the March Journal before four of the best and most expensive of the lot were purchased by Mrs. Frank L. Norton, of Boston, and are now in the care of Mrs. H. H. Warden at the Dukesbury Kennels, at Duxbury, Mass. Now Blackbird, one of the four purchased, has given birth to four beautiful kittens and the kittens are all sold. Who can beat this record?

The teacher once asked her best scholar, "What was meant by the sins of Omission," and he replied, "it was the sins that we should have committed and hadn't." If there are any that we should have committed and haven't in the last number we would like to have some one give us a list of them so we can even up in the May number.

We never like to acknowledge that we have made mistakes. We do not like to take anything back or retract anything that we have said. We feel about this something like the publisher who had a rule that his paper never took anything back. One day a very wrathful individual called on him and said, "Say, see here, you said in your yesterday's paper that I was dead."

The editor very blandly replied, "Is that so?"

"Yes, that's so, and I ain't dead, any more than you are, and I want you to take it back at once."

The editor said, "I am sorry if we said that you were dead, if you are not, but it would be impossible for us to retract the statement; we have a rule in the office that we never take anything back that is said in the paper."

This man was inclined to be a little unreasonable and would not let it go in that way. He did not like to be advertised as "dead" when he was alive and he finally said, "I insist that you fix this up in some manner. It makes me ridiculous to have my friends all joking me, and asking me when I was resurrected."

The editor thought a minute and said, "Well, I'd like to accommodate you in some way, I would really, but I don't see exactly how it can be done and not break our rule." Finally a bright thought struck him and he said, "I have it; we can fix you all right; I'll put a notice in the 'births,' of your being born, and that will get you back on earth again and then you can take care of yourself."

So while we do not like to own up it seems that it is necessary to do it in this case. There were a lot of mistakes in the April number. We would like very much to lay it to the printer, they are generally the Scapegoat for all the troubles in the business, but he is young and not to blame anyway, as the copy was all type written in the office of THE CAT JOURNAL and so it would hardly be fair to hold him responsible however much we might like to have some one to lay it to. We made some of our correspondents say some queer things and an error to an author always looks very large. Mrs. Barker tried to say, "do not expect the sire to do everything." We made her say "do not expect the size to do everything," and not satisfied with that we made her say it twice. Then she tried to tell about a "strong boned animal" and we made it a "strong born animal;" then in her article there were several annoying errors in capitalization.

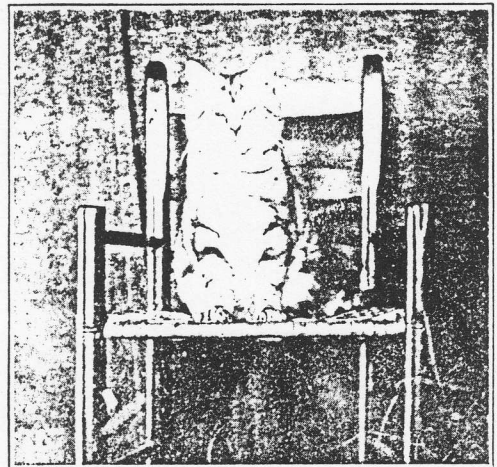
In the advertisement of St. Tudno we had it St. Ludno. Some matter relating to the show held in

California was left out and some matter of importance in regard to the election of officers in the Beresford Cat Club in Chicago. It is unfortunate about these things, they have to be used in time or not at all. There were some other errors that we hope have not been seen. It is a lot of work to issue a publication like THE CAT JOURNAL and we are doing it with insufficient help and so our readers must make all sorts of excuses. We hope to see the time when we can sit at a mahogany desk and have a hired man to cut coupons off from bonds while we are getting out a paper that will be mistakeless.

We have the advantage in one way. None of our readers dare say that it is not a beautiful publication and they are all glad it is being published, even with mistakes. Let us live in hopes of better things.

BEAUTY BROMLEY.

I am a beautifully marked Chinchilla male. Not registered, but the envy of the entire neighborhood. My docility is unequalled and though not a natural fighter, when forced into combat I go in to win. I am a family cat in the strictest sense of the word and my kennel is a down stairs bed room where I lie on the bed but never trespass beyond my own blanket. I can always be trusted, never having been known to steal.



BEAUTY BROMLEY.

I am very large, but I live on one meal a day, usually beef or fish. I drink little milk but a great deal of water.

I am always invited to roll over when I come in from my daily walks and never have been known to say no, sometimes rolling back and forth as many as twenty times.

In England, cat owners may insure their pets at small expense when puss goes on a journey. Will not some enterprising young men form such a company here in America? It would accomplish much more than simply insuring our beloved cats, for before insuring, the little animal would have to pass through a rigid scrutiny.

CAPITAL CATS.

FROM OUR WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT.

Persia is the favorite name for Washington cats, masculine, feminine or neuter, provided only that the hair is over one inch in length.

The glossy, all-black neuter Persia belonging to Mrs. Evans does a most fascinating "skirt dance" for the edification of the customers of the swell millinery shop where he adds considerably to the attractions. This dance is a kittenish attempt to copy the "couchi-couchi" of his mother, Mrs. Pretty Child, at the Korasan. While Mrs. Pretty Child gets up on her back legs like a rabbit, works her pretty velvet paws, sways her pretty little body and "snoops" around in the air with her pretty little nose, Persia Evans sits upon the floor, looks most fascinatingly upon his audience, lifts first one paw and then the other, squeezing his toes together, but not showing his claws. To this he furnishes a charming tenor auto-accompaniment. It is quite as entertaining to see the sales-ladies hold up their skirts and imitate Persia for the benefit of a chosen few.

Mrs. Evans lost a fine Chinchilla cat last summer. She is quite certain that he now graces some upper crust bonnet or four-hundred opera cloak as, in her business, she uses much Chinchilla fur and her New York furnisher assures her that nine tenths of the chinchilla worn last winter was pure cat. Possibly this explains the sudden popularity of chinchilla cats recently, the sudden disappearance of many fine specimens, and the present tendency toward other markings. A word to the owners of fine orange cats is sufficient, if they do not wish a red fox season next year. But then, if the furriers want a red fox they can bunch nearly any old thing, or go to Paris for real polar bear.

Apropos of the growing popularity of tortoise shell muffs for children, Miss Wilkie is desolate over the recent loss of her pretty tortoise shell "lady," daughter of Dorothy and Rufus, and grand-child of King Max. Lady, however, like a properly brought up cat, died in her bed. Miss Wilkie and her sister had a weeping match, lasting three days and nights,

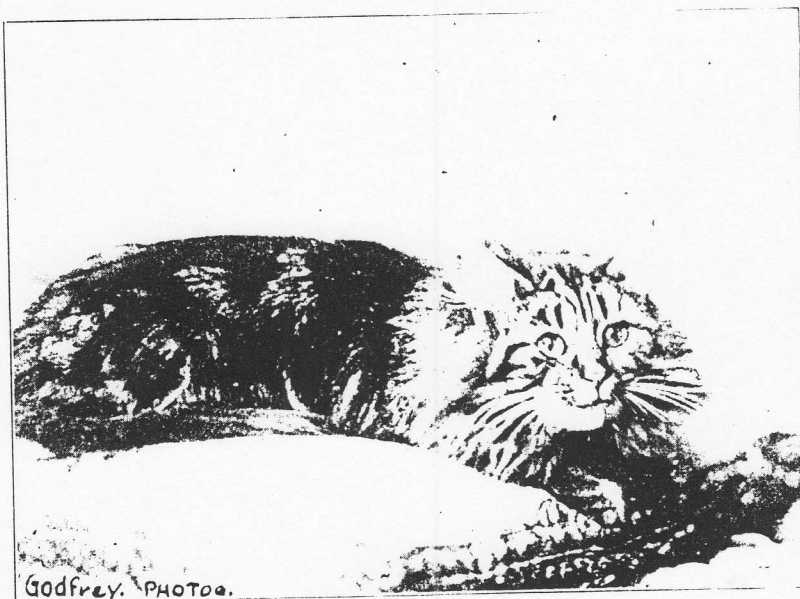
and are now doing their best to fill the vacant bed and the desolate hearts with a Korasan tabby cat.

Did you ever lose a cat of pneumonia in the summer time? And at the seashore too. Such was the fate of one of the very crackest of the sons of Menlik III, selling for \$50, at six months of age. He was sent to Atlantic Highlands to Mrs. Ward, of Orange, N. J., and named Highland Laddie. He was the martyr to devotion and fear of the "boogy man" who is ever looking for what he may steal. He sat in his mistress' lap by day, and slept cuddled in her neck by night. He was fed everything that came his way, and petted, squeezed and kissed by every passing summer girl. At last he had one fit and then lay down his poor little black body by the summer sea. Let us hope that his little white spirit has gone to a properly conducted cat home,

where there are grass and trees, rare beef and milk, no people and no fleas. The result of the autopsy was "pneumonia." The duties of the pathologist do not include finding causes for the lesions he sees.

"For him they filled the milk bowl up and culled the choice sardine; but, ah! he never more shall be the cat he once has been."

Menelik III is the father of many sons and daughters this spring. All yet heard from,



MIGNON.

Belonging to Miss Lucy Johnstone, 5323 Madison Ave., Chicago, Ill. This lady shows a very beautiful face and ruff, she is a several times prize winner and is now the mother of three beautiful brown tabby kittens. Her intelligent bright face is certainly worthy of reproduction.

whether domestic (District of Columbia) or foreign (United States,) whether mothered by tabbies, blacks, blues or whites, by Persians or Angoras, have been uniformly jet, glossy, satiny black little monkeys as much alike as peas in a pod, and turned from exactly the same mould as "poppa." In every instance three Toms to a Mary Jane. This totally black summer is a cause of great rejoicing to Mrs. Bond as it not only proves the superiority of her fine stud, but meets the steady demand for the real black cat. Though the American and English fanciers breed or manufacture an astonishing number of black long-haired cats, the "table lands of Central Asia" show one black to one hundred whites. Though the latter are things of beauty as long as they are clean, and joys as long as they live. A correspondent, who has spent some fifteen years in the

Van province of Turkey in Asia (where the true Persio-Angora grows) tells us that the whites there bring from nothing to a dollar; and that there is but one man in Turkey to be trusted as to a real and thorough knowledge of cats. Even there, where Angoras run about loose, the black is greatly prized for its rarity. Van being so many days distant from a better means of conveyance than donkey caravan, few of the best cats get away from their original pasturage. The imported Angora and Persian is bred for the purpose in Constantinople and the Black Sea seaports of Turkey. A few reach England from Persia by the Caspian. In the Turkish and Persian cities and seaports the cats are sold at a reasonable figure—somethings rather more than \$1.00. Even the "nothing" cats from the interior cost many dollars and many other things in the way of disease, discomfort and several varieties of distemper before reaching the coast.

Purrs And Scratches.

This department will be conducted by Miss Cora Wallace, of East Brady, Pa. Send any items to her of a personal character or items relating to cats, before the 15th of each month. By each one giving this department a little attention, it may be made very interesting.

"Go to the Cat, thou sloven, consider her ways and be clean."

From a lecture "On the Uses and Abuses of the Cat," by Professor Wilder, of Cornell, at Smith College, Northampton, Mass. Oct. 13th, 1896.

Mrs. W. H. Warden has changed her address from Wellesley Hills to Duxbury, Mass.

Mrs. Peters has a very fine cream male and a tortoiseshell female that she imported last July.

Mrs. Locke has sold her cream female, Weteleta, to Mrs. D. E. Peters, North Baltimore, Ohio.

The Detroit Cat Club has appointed Mrs. J. S. Owens as authorized correspondent for THE JOURNAL.

Mrs. F. L. Vivell, of Ozark Cattery, Hot Springs, Ark., is importing a silver stud and several queens from England.

Mrs. D. E. Peters, of North Baltimore, Ohio, is disposing of all her cats excepting the creams and tortoiseshell. In the future these will be her specialty.

Mrs. Locke has the right idea about selling her cats. She refused a number of good offers for the stock because she would not sell them where she was sure they would not receive the best of care.

Mrs. F. L. Vivell, of Hot Springs, Ark., has purchased from Mrs. Peters, of N. Baltimore, Ohio, the imported white blue eyed female, Lady Mertice, and the imported white golden eyed female, Lady Geneva.

Jeanne Cair, owned by Mrs. McRae Cair, a sister of Royal Norton, No. 1, won the first prize in the cat contest conducted by the Fanciers' World. It was unintentionally stated that Jeanne Cair was the property of Mrs. Norton. This was an error.

Mrs. Peters has just purchased of Mrs. Locke, the cream female that won second prize at the Beresford Cat Club Show at Chicago, in January. Her brother of the same litter won the first prize. She comes of a strain of cream breeding of several generations.

Mrs. Peters has purchased of Mrs. Leland Norton, of Chicago, a beautiful cream female, daughter of Mrs. Norton's imported cream male, Senator, out of Lady June, blue eyes. She is bred to blue eyed Royal Baby and it is hoped she will throw blue eyed creams.

Miss Wilson proposes to start one of the finest kennels in Indiana. Fanciers may feel proud to add Miss Wilson's name to their list as she is a most charming lady and a generous advocate of American stock. She is a member of the Chicago Cat Club and a great lover of our furry pets.

It is with satisfaction that we are able to report the convalescent condition of Miss Louise Payne, of Los Angeles, owner of the Maizee Kennels. Miss Payne was many weeks very ill and her life despaired of but a recent letter from Mrs. Payne to Mrs. Norton states a greatly improved condition of health.

Mrs. E. Calkins and her daughter, Mrs. W. M. Chapman, are proprietors of the Cusie Kennels at Romeo, Mich. Mrs. Calkins takes great interest in the cat and kittens and never tires in looking after their wants and comforts, many times getting up in the night to minister to a sick cat or kitten.

Miss Nellie H. Wilson, of Indianapolis, lately made a visit to the Drexel Kennels. When she left she took with her Black Diamond, the beautiful young queen cat, daughter of Bess and Robinhood. Black Bess was recently sold to Miss Louise Payne, of Los Angeles, Cal., who also purchased Black Mascotte.

Mrs. S. S. Leach, of New London, Conn., recently sold her beautiful Prosper le Cai to Mrs. Thurston. He is a son of Lord Gwynne and Wendella, in the Lockhaven quartette, that beautiful picture of Mrs. Locke's four white kittens which attracted attention at home and abroad; he is the kitten at the extreme right.

Aunt Jemima, whose picture was shown in the April number, was well favored with prizes at the Beresford Cat Club show held in Chicago, in January last. She won first for best female tortoise shell in the novice class; first for best tortoise shell in the show and first for the best female tortoise shell bred by the owner.

Mrs. D. A. Ordway has just returned to Chicago after a four months' trip in the east. While away she visited all the cat kennels and cat owners of note and gives a most favorable report of the condition of the cats in general. Her greatest regret is that she was unable—owing to sudden illness—to visit the Crystal Cattery at Palmyra, N. Y., and see the wonderful Crystal, who is winning such an enviable place in catdom.

The Mutual Exchange.

This department will be conducted by Mrs. Barker, of Albany, N. Y. Mrs. Barker has had experience in breeding and has had success in raising kittens. The object is to help each other in learning how, when and what to do. If you are in trouble over any question relating to cats, of any kind, write to Mrs. Barker and it will be fully treated in THE JOURNAL. If you want any information that will require an immediate answer, enclose a fee of fifty cents and you will receive the required information at once by mail. Do not send any letter requiring an answer without enclosing a stamp. This department is not intended for Mrs. Barker, only, but is for the mutual exchange of experiences, both good and bad. The more free intercourse we have on Practical topics, the sooner shall we arrive at really satisfactory methods of handling cats and kittens. Do not imagine that what you are experiencing is trivial. All information is valuable and what we want.

All communications for this department must be sent to (Mrs.) Clare D. Barker, 293 Madison Ave., Albany, N. Y.

I hope every fancier and cat lover who gets our journal will feel a personal responsibility in this new department, as it must be mutual to be of general help and importance. We are not any of us fortunate enough to know everything, not even the veterinaries of experience, therefore if each mistress while about with her charges will take notes of any truths she has verified, of methods she is trying, of bits of Natural History, which will help to a better understanding of the little lives we are calling into being, we shall the better do our duty, which is clearly a responsibility imposed upon us, together with the pleasure we derive in the possession of our pets. Friends in trouble are begged to bring their doubts and misfortunes to us and we shall try to give them what help we can.

Mrs. W. L., Syracuse, N. Y. What was the cause of death? A two-year-old short haired cat showed a general lassitude, drinking inordinately, developed a morbid appetite for dirt and coal, sat most of the time squatting on his stomach, with tense and distressed look on his face, there was loss of appetite and strength which gradually diminished until he died. Ans. The first cause was doubtless worms, the immediate cause of death may have been pneumonia or gastritis.

Mrs. W. L. Syracuse. "What was the cause of death?" Dr. Darling pronounces it to have been undoubtedly typhoid fever. This is a most unusual disease for a well-cared for cat to contract.

Cranfield, N. J. Cat has a breaking out of the skin. Try complete change of diet. Discontinue the oat meal and try bread and milk or gravy and bread, for breakfast. For other meals, dog-biscuit pounded fine and softened with boiling water, vegetables and raw meat minced very fine, mixed with this a sprinkling of sulphur once a day, for three consecutive days. Stop sulphur for three days then try again, or, you may give Homeopathic Arsenicum several times a day for a month. The details furnished are insufficient but it may come from worms in which case give Castrique, a vermifuge and tonic, to be obtained from THE CAT JOURNAL office at Palmyra, N. Y., give one dose each day for a week, as much as will lie scantily on a five cent piece, mixed in a teaspoonful of soup.

In regard to treatment of abscess, if I knew more of the particulars I think I might be able to help, whether it is acute or chronic. If there is great debility and thirst, drinking often but little at a time, give a dose of arsenicum every hour or two. If suppuration is inevitable Hepar Sulphur, hot fomentations and poultices will aid in bringing it to a climax. In cases of any sort, please give all symptoms and more minute details. Mrs. McCloud's letter should be most helpful.

Mrs. T.: What shall I do for a kitten with sore eyes? Ans. Wash with warm milk or water and give Hepar Sulph. or Mercurius several times a day, a pinch of pellets on the tongue or try this most excellent lotion that Dr. Owen gives us in "Gramma." 1 grs. of sulphate of Atropia, 10 grs. of Boracic Acid, 10 grs. of Cocaine, 2 grs. Sulphate of Zinc, put into an ounce bottle and fill with water. Apply as needful not more than three times a day. Then keep the affected ones out of the light as much as possible.

Lake View Cattery, Millerton, N. Y. Distemper in kittens. I require to know more of the symptoms, but when once young kittens are attacked it is usually hopeless. If running at the nose and eyes give mercurius; if pneumonia symptoms are present, phosphorus; if diarrhoea, give mercurius solution; if all the symptoms are present, phosphorus, a pinch of pellets or three drops of solution in half a glass of water, a few drops given every hour with a medicine dropper. The kits a fortnight old, which died, had perhaps been born in a kennel where distemper had been within three or four months. In breeding a smoke male and blue female, the kittens would very likely be blue or smoke or mixture of the two, which is undesirable. The best colors to mate with smoke are smoke, black or chinchilla.

I heartily agree with your late correspondent in regard to the use of Homeopathic Remedies. I have used them for thirty years or more with the best results in my Cattery. Twice have I been persuaded to depart from the home rule, "Golden Rule," I am tempted to call it, with disastrous results. I do not believe in dosing with oils and purgatives. In my seven years of cat culture, I have seen but one worm. Symptoms often appear and I administer remedies called for, so far as my poor judgment can recognize. It is no easy task to diagnose correctly, thereby often comes failure, but as a rule we get along very comfortably. I do not claim everlasting life for myself or cats through Homeopathy but we do claim to have fewer gripings and less nausea and when our time comes we shall certainly die more comfortably.

MRS. J. CRATTY.

Mrs. Cratty's experience cannot fail to be a boon to cat raisers. I wish she would write us more at length as to her methods and the remedies used. I also greeted the "late correspondent's" approval of Homeopathy with great pleasure.

Mrs. T. L. Scaries. Why carbolic acid is injurious to cats. Ans. Because it requires caution and some experience in its use. Carbolic can poison an animal as easily when applied outside, as if used internally. I washed six of my loveliest kittens one year in Creolin, which is a preparation of tar, as is carbolic acid, without rinsing properly, then I left them in baskets before the fire to dry. They all died most lingering deaths. I should have put them into vinegar and water, and given them some internally, and I could have saved them. I have known even large dogs to faint, after a bath in water in which Carbolic acid had been put. Tar and its products are most poisonous to cats.

Mrs. Sweet, South Brookfield, N. Y., requests information as regards kittens born prematurely. Several weeks before the kittens were due, the queen was given a vermifuge which she needed very badly, fortunately it was a perfectly harmless remedy, and a tonic as well. The cat seemed better for a few days, but a fortnight before her time she gave birth to three little ones, two of which were dead. Six days after the queen also died. Ans. The cause might have been worms, but more likely to have been an accident of some sort. This is never impossible even with the most cherished of our pets. It is best to dose a queen thoroughly for worms before the mating takes place, or if symptoms appear after, use homeopathic Cina or Mercurius, continuing it twice a day for three weeks or a month. Sulphur has also Anthelmentic properties, as also has homeopathic Nux Vomica, these given from time to time, to a pregnant cat will do much to strengthen the cat and discourage the predisposition to worms. When the kittens are born prematurely give Sabina, a pinch of pellets on the tongue, or the same quantity in one half glass of water, dose, one teaspoonful every hour until better, or Aconite if there is much fever. Should there be other cats in kitten keep them most carefully away from the invalid, as this condition is most infectious, and the others, if caution is not observed, will lose their kittens in the same way so that great care in this case is necessary.

Mrs. Wagner. "A cure for eczema?" Ans. First be sure the eruption is not occasioned by worms. If it is eczema you have a most difficult task, especially if it is of long standing. The disease is constitutional. "Cutaneous eruptions are external manifestations of an ailment of one or more of the internal organs." Outside applications usually succeed in "striking in" the disease, and while apparently cured, in time, irregularities of the system are bound to occur. The homeopathic method is tedious but in the end more satisfactory. To begin with a change of diet is useful, if feed has been sparingly used, feed generously, if the reverse is the case give it with caution or withhold altogether for a time. Give plenty of grass or fern. Keep the afflicted parts clean with absorbent cotton and occasionally rub with sweet oil or lanoline, but

never use water for eczema as it retards the cure and causes inevitable pain to the patient. This advice was given me years ago by our family physician, Dr. Clock, of New York City. Also Frank H. Miller, V. S., says in the course of a recent article, "And not one drop of water should be used." I cured "Cobalt," a superb blue I owned in England, with Homeopathic Arsenicum, two doses a day for several weeks. If the case is a chronic one, this fortunately was not, continue once a day for two or three months. A most helpful article from The English Stock-Keeper by the well known Homeopathic Veterinary, Dr. Hurndall, advises "Psorinum and Tuberculinum." Any of these remedies can be obtained from Boericke and Tafel's Homeopathic Pharmacy, New York or Chicago, (this address is sufficient.) All remedies given in the same manner as the first. Dr. Bond's letter on this subject should be most helpful.—Page 67.

MY DEAR MRS. BARKER:—

Having noticed an inquiry for the successful treating of an abscess in the April number of THE CAT JOURNAL, I send the following which you may publish if you care to do so.

The second week in October, of 1898, Percita, a tortoiseshell and white kitten of unusual promise, became afflicted with a pocket abscess which lasted until April, 1899. After trying many remedies I finally treated it successfully in the following manner: When I saw that pus formation was taking place, I gave the little sufferer a hepar sulphur tablet every three hours until the abscess broke. After the pus began to be discharged, I syringed the cavity with equal parts of per oxide of hydrogen and water, using a medicine dropper for the purpose. It is necessary that an animal suffering from an abscess be well nourished and, in addition to beef tea, I gave a proto-nuclein tablet three times a day and continued these tablets two weeks after the last abscess healed. I see no reason why this treatment should not be beneficial for a simple abscess. To those who have doctored one of these trying things until almost discouraged, I would say, *do not give up*. Had I listened to well meaning friends a cat that is a joy to me now, would have been reposing by the side of another under a pussy-willow tree. Percita has never shown a symptom of diseased blood since, although she has never had the coat her kittenhood promised, until this winter.

MRS. CHAS. McCLOUD,

A FEW DON'TS.

Don't, I pray, give calomel under any consideration to a cat.

Don't give santonine. It is a nasty, old-fashioned poison.

Don't send kittens on approval. I never saw any strong enough to stand it.

Don't give cats castor oil, olive oil is better.

CURE FOR ECZEMA.

BY MAHEL CORNISH BOND, M. D.

The first step in the cure of eczema is a positive diagnosis, for "Eczema" is the term most convenient to cover all forms of skin diseases. First then, catch your eczema, which, by the way, is almost unheard of among properly fed and well cared-for cats. It must be differentiated from several forms of mange, irritations caused by various external parasites, ring-worm, certain stages of distemper, etc. Eczema is not contagious but extremely annoying to the sufferer from it great itching, the consequent scratching causing bleeding, scabs, and affording opportunities for infection with abscesses. The disease is one of malnutrition preeminently though it is caused by external or internal irritation of any kind intestinal worms, acids, or even water on the skin. It appears on the line of the back, the root of the tail, neck and legs, first by the falling out of a little hair, very soon followed by the characteristic red spots due to the intense itching and irritation.

In the early stage a speedy cure will be effected by a change of diet, fresh air, means of exercise and an ointment made of flowers of sulphur and lanoline, raw eggs and beef with access to catnip or grass. Do not torture the cat by wrapping up portions of his anatomy. Local treatment is of little real use except for the purpose of getting the cat to lick his sores, thus keeping them clean, and of getting the sulphur into his system. It is not best to put the sulphur into vaseline, as coal tar products are not good for cats inside, or in lard for no product of the hog belongs, by rights, near a cat. Water, with or without soap, is the very last thing to come in contact with eczema. It is exceedingly irritating. If there are scabs formed before the disease is diagnosed, or for any reason, the cat is unable to keep the parts clean, they might be gently swabbed with absorbent cotton dipped in a very weak solution of boracic acid or a little bran water. When the scabs can be removed, and the ointment applied, no more swabbing will be necessary. It is not advisable to keep the ointment on constantly. A thorough rubbing in once a day for a week, with a rest of a few days, and then repeating the process is better.

Chrysophanic acid (a misnomer for chrysarobin) excites great irritation accompanied by most distressing, smarting and tingling, it discolors linen, hair and skin permanently or until bleached by chemicals, or, in the case of the skin, until desquamation. It comes very near being a poison and is entirely unnecessary in this day and generation, especially in the cat pharmacopeia. It has uses in such parasitic diseases as ringworm, but there are better remedies.

The objection to carbolic acid is probably that its use is likely to be abused. If it is dilute enough and used sparingly and very seldom it will probably do

little harm. It is entirely unnecessary and a dangerous thing to have about. It is so readily absorbed by the skin that even a very weak solution sometimes gives dangerous results.

The "let alone drugs" policy is getting very much in favor with physicians. It is an especially good one for cat owners.

ZANONI.

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ZANONI.

Trick cat, three and a half months old. Took 1st prize at B. C. C. show in January 1901. Belongs to Miss Edytha W. Gregg, 136 N. Park Ave., Chicago.—See Sketch.

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