

We refer to Glencairn as a most excellent dog, lately the property of Mr. Chapman of Glenboig, Scotland. He has been purchased by Mr. Oldham, of of Mamaronac, N.H. U.S.A. Glencairn was whelped April 17, 1884 was bred by Mr. Leiper, and is by Bracken out of Belle, by Solus; Bracken is also by Solus. He has won first prize at Barn Elms, Glasgow, and all over the country, and is considered by many Spaniel men to be not a far remove from the best Spaniel that was in the kingdom. His faults are a trifling coarseness in head and the curliness of his feather, which however, could be improved with proper attention. Glencairn has won forty-first prizes here, and will doubtless make his mark in America.

Mr. R. Hood Wright has sold his famous Deerhound Buscar II., who has besides many other prizes taken firsts at the Crystal Palace, Birmingham, Glasgow, Carlisle, Manchester, and Chester, and also a young bitch by Robin Gray to Lieut of Artillery Donald Bremmer, Sheffield. It makes this information particularly interesting that the destination of this brace is the Rocky Mountains, where they will be employed in destroying wolves which do a great deal of damage to herds and flocks. Not long ago Mr. Hood Wright exported three to Mr. Tom Stone, Canada (late of Newton Park), and two to Mr. Becton (late of Stockport), who owns a large ranche in Canada. This shows that the usefulness of these hounds is becoming more and more appreciated in the wilder districts of the new world.

C. W. J. Brett, who till lately had charge of Col. Platt's kennels sailed for Denver, Colorado, to take charge of the kennels of Mr. James Archer. Brett was a well-known figure at our best shows, and is a good judge of a dog, and certainly understands how to keep them in health and condition, so he should be a decided acquisition

to his new master. There are many friends who will, with ourselves, wish him good luck.

At the last Liverpool Show the entries numbered one thousand two hundred and twenty-seven.

The show was visited by 3,000 persons one day, the "gate" amounting to £96 an increase of £36 over 1888.

The Irish Terrier Club decided by a vote of forty-five, to twenty-five, to petition the Kennel Club to refrain from giving prizes for cropped Irish Terriers.

At a recent sale of Greyhounds, Mr. A. W. Morris gave 100 guineas for the red-and-fawn stud dog, Britain Still, who, however, did not nearly fetch the price that Mr. W. H. Scratton gave for this son of Misterton and Arama. Messrs. H. and W. Thompson sent six, and they made the respectable sum of 1,070 guineas, or an average of over 178 guineas. All were first season dogs, and Mr. Fleming on behalf of Colonel North, gave 470 guineas for Toughend, by Greentick—Toledo. Toboggan, a black dog, the same way bred, Mr. O. E. Mason gave 185 guineas for. Tolerance (Greentick—Tonic) was knocked down to Mr. J. Coke for 280 guineas. Ticino and Thicket, both black and white bitches, Mr. Lacy secured at fourteen guineas. Mr. W. G. Hale purchased Transact for seventy guineas; and Mr. O. E. Mason also secured Terrific Macpherson at fifty-one guineas.

We believe that Mr. James Preece, of Bulldog fame, intends settling in America in the neighborhood of Boston. He will bring out some dogs, and, in partnership with another Britisher who has recently crossed, will establish a kennel. This will probably be known as the Melton and Liverpool Kennel.

The *Scottish Fancier* reports that the Deerhounds Taggart II. and Cowley

have left for America, and says they should be able to give a good account of themselves.

### THE ROUGH COATED ST. BERNARD.

(COMMUNICATED).

In presenting to our readers this issue, we are pleased to show them an illustration of one of the finest rough coated St. Bernard dogs in Canada and one of the best sons of the late champion Merchant Prince who won twenty-first and specials in England and many in America, and at the time of his death 1887 was champion still of rough coats. We believe he is the only representative of his illustrious size in Canada, hence his name, "Canada's Merchant Prince," and is the property of W. H. Auld, Forest, Ont. Of all the canine races the St. Bernard is the largest, grandest, and eminently the most massive. The distinguished feature of the head is size, dignity and majesty of appearance. Twenty-eight to thirty-four inches around the shoulders may be accepted as a good average height. The body should be long and well filled out; legs straight, with large bone and muscle.

The grand qualities of the St. Bernards are shown in their affectionate, true, noble and faithful disposition, and even temper. They are, above all things, pre-eminently *the* watch-dog; their impulses lead them exclusively in this direction,—to watch and to guard, and to repulse trespassers within their precinct. They accomplish this end by a resolute and imposing bearing, never resorting to force until repeated gentle warnings have been ignored. Menace to the person of their master they fiercely resist. They are especially suitable as guardians of suburban residences, factories, banks and other large buildings; and when properly trained, will go the rounds of a building or grounds every few hours during the night, even more faithfully than a human watchman. Their docility is surprising, and they