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THE JUDGE AND THE DOG.

What a peculiar animal the dog is! How full of instinct, in fact almost approaching common sense, or uncommon sense, if it might so be termed. There is so much in the very expression of his face, the cock of his ear, the grin of his mouth, the wag of his tail and the occasional oblique attitude of his body, all making up in a most unmistakable way, for the absence of speech, so often uttered by a bark. Is it any wonder the dog takes so important a place in almost every household? He is far more than ornamental, he is useful, and his characteristics, studied out, even in a moderate way, demonstrate beyond a doubt, how much there is in this type of the quadruped species. Now and then in this section of Canada we have a real dog show, and for variety and peculiarities of dogs, the wonder is, how so many strange dogs found their way so near the north pole. In the discharge of my professional duties, I have often been amazed at the sense exhibited by dogs, particularly in the way of observing the sick of the household. Recently, a little Scotch terrier, one of the small, well cut and shaggy-haired kind,—the little fellow that looks under his long hairy eyebrows, as if he knew more than any other of his class—attracted my attention. This little canine held his own position in the household with great coolness and dignity. When any stranger called, he generally observed the surroundings in his own peculiar way, and just in accordance with his impressions, he would growl as if not perfectly satisfied, or take a good look and walk off quickly to his usual quarters, fully satisfied