

asked to co-operate by appointing a canine expert, who will determine the value of all unclaimed dogs collected, and decide as to whether they should be destroyed or sold. Mr. Alex Smith was the unanimous choice of the committee for the position. This appointment is a wise as well as a popular one, for there is no man in Montreal who knows half as much about a dog as "Auchcairnie," and we have no doubt he will justify his selection. All condemned dogs will be humanely destroyed under the supervision of an officer of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, which is also co-operating in this first genuine effort to rid the city of a constantly increasing nuisance and danger to public health.

A bit of black court plaster is a good thing to carry in the camera case. It is just the thing for mending a cracked front board, a leaky bellows, or even a broken plate-holder in cases of emergency. Also it is apt to come in mighty handy after showing a quick tempered man the picture of himself you have taken.

This is the season of the year when you ought to take the old felt off the back of your printing frame and glue new on in its place. The old backs will in time get so thin that a desirable amount of contact is not to be had between negative and paper, particularly so at the hinge. One will frequently find a negative printing sharp all over and leaving a streak of fuzziness up and down the middle, owing to the felt being worn. By the way, don't use flannel to back your frame if you can get felt. So little is required that the question of expense is not worth considering.

During the warm weather dogs are more or less liable to eczema, therefore great care should be taken with their diet, their skin closely examined frequently or at the first appearance of scratching, and something to alleviate the irritation applied at once. At the same time, on general principles, it is a good and safe course to administer a blood-cooling and mild purgative occasionally. Above everything else, at the first

appearance of an eruption on the skin apply freely some such preparation as Jeyes' Fluid, diluted with water in the proportion of five to one, to the parts affected, which will allay the irritation and in all probability prevent its spread. Should the first symptoms be neglected there is no end of trouble in store for the owner and a great amount of misery and unnecessary pain caused to the dog. Should red mange ensue, as it frequently does, a mixture of oil of tar, black sulphur, and a small quantity of either turpentine or Jeyes' Fluid, made into a salve and rubbed well in is said to be a safe and speedy cure.

By hanging a lace curtain between the sitter and the camera, of course, quite out of focus, the light will be very much softened and the threads of the curtain will produce an effect very similar to that of chalk drawing.

The Dogs' Protection League (Eng.) have in view the foundation of a nursing home for dogs, where women can be trained by lectures and practical experience in the nursing of canine patients, and are now engaged in collecting funds for that purpose. There is no doubt that many dog owners would regard the innovation of women dog nurses with much satisfaction, and it is believed that a large field would be opened to women fond of animals who may desire to find a new profession for their energies. Many prominent ladies have given their support to the movement, and it is expected the institution will be in working order ere long.

Judging by what we hear from British Columbia it is high time the present slaughter of game in the Okanagan district were put a stop to. Mr. Alexander Crawford writes from Okanagan Mission as follows:

"Will you please print the following letter, which is about the game of this country as it used to be, and as it is today: When I came to this country about nine years ago, in the spring the caribou used to come off the mountains to the lower flats in bands of from ten to forty, and it was nothing to see in May