

GOSSIP.

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SCOTTISH SHEEP DOG TRIALS.

Sheep dog trials are popular in Scotland, and some very interesting reports of these competitions have recently appeared in the Scottish Farmer, from which we quote, in part, the report of the recent Hawick trial. After a vivid description of the work of several dogs, which almost, but not quite, succeeded in all the requirements, the "many in the crowd," says the writer, whispered, "Here comes Kep." And, sure enough, the tall form of Mr. James Scott, Tronehill, was seen making for the lists. Kep was bent on making history. His master and he were on better terms than they were at Duns. Up till the third poles, Kep simply worked miracles. Here he knew exactly what was needed, but his master made him drop two inches short of the turning point, the result being that one sheep took the wrong side of the pole. Kep raised his head and turned an angry eye towards his master, which plainly said, "Noo, ye see what ye've done." But, nothing daunted, up came Kep, penned, and then took the single sheep under command as only he can. He never worked better, but the mistake of his master sent him home unwearied. Mr. Samuel Rutherford, Overhall, now "slipped" Jim. He completed the programme almost without a hitch, showing a wealth of art and a wonderful capacity for initiative. On the single sheep he was powerful, his eyes being sentinels against which it was vain to strive. Mr. W. Rutherford, Linhope, Braehead, next sent off Bar. For some time everything was prophetic of success, but one sheep became rebellious and then all was over. He never penned. England found another able exponent in Mr. Adam Telfer, Fairley, Northumberland. Adam and Tom made a brilliant display, and the shepherd's long arms came in very handy at the penning. Tom has a grand "eye," shows force in his every move, and can work a single sheep as he would a score. Mr. Andrew Elder, Twislop, Newcastle, now walked with careless ease to the starting point. His dog, Hemp, went away sweepingly, and accomplished his task in a creditably short time, having shown much sagacity and resource. Mr. Adam Telfer came again—this time with Hemp. He practically repeated his former performance, for, in truth, it was hard to effect any improvement. Hemp showed a slight tendency at certain turns to raise his tail, which elevation his master was quick to check. Richard Oliver, West Woodburn, Northumberland, sent away Speed to make one further effort on behalf of the fair fame of England. He strove nobly, but was at first too firm, and afterwards too "slack." He was over anxious, and so was Richard. This was evident at the pen, and also when the single sheep was let go. At home he would have done much better. Now all eyes were turned on Mr. Adam Renwick, Craneleugh, Falstone, who crossed the ropes with Don, a dog of eighteen months, to bring the trials to a close. His English brethren gave him a cheering welcome. Away went Don, but to prove that Albion's canine sons have their full share of fire, he was too stern in his first turn. This his master quickly noted, and then slowed him down. Don was obedient. He rounded his poles beautifully, and with fine "toddlin'" motion came up to the pen. He was prompt here; and when the single sheep rushed against him he held up to it with defiant courage. Point after point he made, never once surrendering an inch of territory. When he was called up, the crowd generously applauded.

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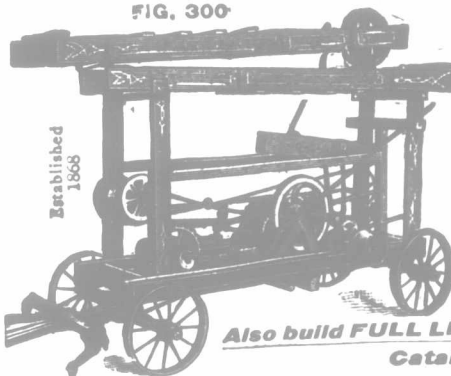
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REFRIGERATED DUCK.

A newspaper yarn from Colorado, Aug. 27th, says:

"Evidently mistaking hailstones for corn, six ducks belonging to Samuel Hodgson, of Florence, Col., ate heartily of them and died soon afterward. When cut open they were found frozen inside. The life of another of Mr. Hodgson's ducks was saved by pouring hot water into its craw."

"The ducks, which had remained in the shelter of a barn during a heavy hail-storm, rushed out when the storm subsided and were seen by members of the Hodgson family gobbling up the icy lumps. Soon they began to stand on one foot and then on the other as on winter days. One after another they fell to the ground and died within a few minutes."