

no doubt came from France, in the northern section of which, as in Belgium, dogs are still used as draft animals. The Swedish naturalist Kalm, who came to Canada in 1749 and published a very interesting account of his travels in North America, which has been translated into English, has the following on the subject :

"In many places here they use their dogs to fetch water out of the river. I saw two great dogs to-day put before a little cart, one before the other. In the cart was a barrel. The dogs are directed by a boy who runs behind the cart, and as soon as they come to the river they jump in of their own accord. When the barrel is filled the dogs draw their burden up the hill again to the house they belong to. I have frequently seen dogs employed in this manner during my stay at Quebec. Sometimes they put one dog before the water carts, which are made small on purpose. The dogs are not very great, hardly of the size of our common farmers' dogs. I have seen them fetch not only water, but like-wise wood and other things. In winter it is customary in Canada for travelers to put dogs before little sledges, made on purpose to hold their clothes, provisions, etc. Poor people commonly employ them on their winter journeys and go on foot themselves. Almost all the wood which the poorer people in this country fetch out of the woods in winter is carried by dogs, which have therefore got the name of horses of the poor people. They commonly place a pair of dogs before each load of wood. I have likewise seen some neat little sledges for ladies to ride in in winter. which are drawn by a pair of dogs, and go faster on a good road than one would think they could. A middle-sized dog is sufficient to draw a single person when the roads are good. I have been told by old people that in their youth horses were very scarce here, and almost all the land carriage was then effected by dogs. Several Frenchmen, who have been among the Esquimaux on Terra Labrador, have assured me that they not only make use of dogs for drawing drays with their provisions and other necessities, but are likewise drawn themselves in little sledges."

The Indians at Lorette, the last remnant of the great Huron nation, and who are in much demand as guides for