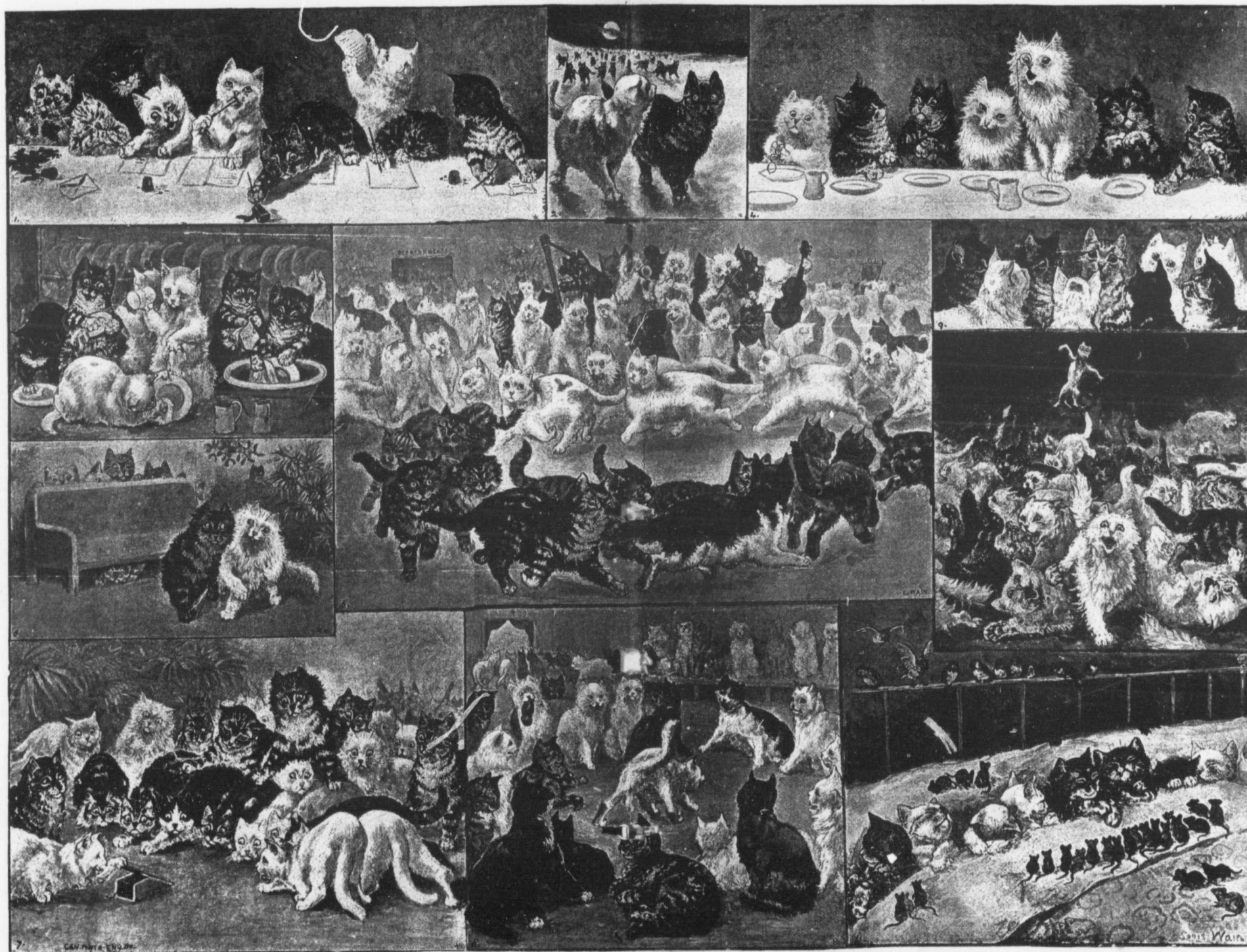




1. We write out letters of invitation to the aristocracy and a lot more besides.
2. Who all come to the party. 3. Our preparations are extensive.

4. The after-dinner speeches were a great success.
5. And so was the ball.
6. Some of the party seek amusement under the mistletoe.

7. Others we invite to a morgue-hunt.
8. And the fun waxes fast and furious when we form a ring and play at hunt-the-slipper.

9. Alas! in early morning we are compelled to sit in solemn council to devise a means to break up the party, as the kittens won't go.
A terrier ghost—the very thing!

10. Our plan is effectual.
11. And we retire, worn out, and sleep the sleep of peace, and dream of mice and dicky-birds.

A KITTEN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY.

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