

THE DOG'S ORIGIN.

Some Interesting Facts About Man's Most Faithful Friend.

Although the recent discussion of the origin of the dog cannot be said to have settled the long-controverted question, there seems to be a decided drift of opinion among naturalists to the theory that our numerous varieties of domesticated dogs are descended not from a single species, but from several kinds of wild animals, as, for instance, the wolf and the jackal.

WOMANISH AND WOMANLY.

There is Serious Trouble in the Vanity Family and Small Cause for It.

There is a house, and home, in a city suburb which has become divided against itself. And all because the mistress of it refused on one occasion to coddle her husband's self love.

A COSTLY MISTAKE.

By Using Too Many Letters the Telegraph Company Was Out \$3,841.

The insertion of the letter "r" in the name of H. W. Baker promises to cost the Western Union Telegraph Company about \$6,000. In the suit brought by Baker to recover \$7,100, loss caused by the delivery of a dispatch from Australia to Abram Barker, a jury in the United States Court the other day returned a verdict for the plaintiff for \$5,841.51, after deliberating about an hour.

Duchess of York on a Wheel.

Divided skirts and bloomers have been dignified by the name of "rationals" in England, where the bicycle craze seems to be raging now as fiercely as it does here.

The Agency of Microbes.

Professor Wiley says that "one of the grandest discoveries of modern science" is the agency of the microbes in enabling plants to absorb from the air the nitrogen which is the chief factor of their growth.

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Count de Lancelotti and His Daughter, Who May Become an Actress.

Juneau, Alaska, has a Russian romance, or what it fully expects will develop into a romance, and it is almost as interesting a subject for discussion as the new gold fields.

The count said good-by to his Alaskan family, and left his daughter in the care of Frank Starr of Juneau. Since the count's return to Russia his father has died, and he is now in possession of large estates.

Almost Killed by a Tooth. Orville Barker, a young man living near Mansfield, Ill., is recovering from a peculiar case of sickness.

His Mania Is Window Smashing. "John, the Window Smasher," as John B. Leonl is known, has been arrested in Chicago. Within a year he has broken 100 big plate-glass windows valued at \$15,000. He is crazy.

POINTER FOR THE CARELESS.

How Unused Railway Tickets May Be Redeemed at Slight Cost.

Some men with valuable unused railway tickets on their hands sell them to scalpers, while others go to the railway company that issued them and obtain their value in money, says the New York Sun.

Education and Matrimony.

The higher education of women in England appears to diminish their prospects of marriage, and the higher the honors taken the less the conjugal prospect becomes.

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