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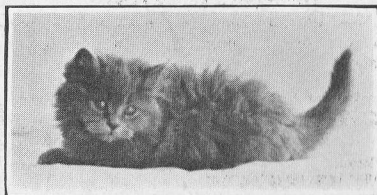
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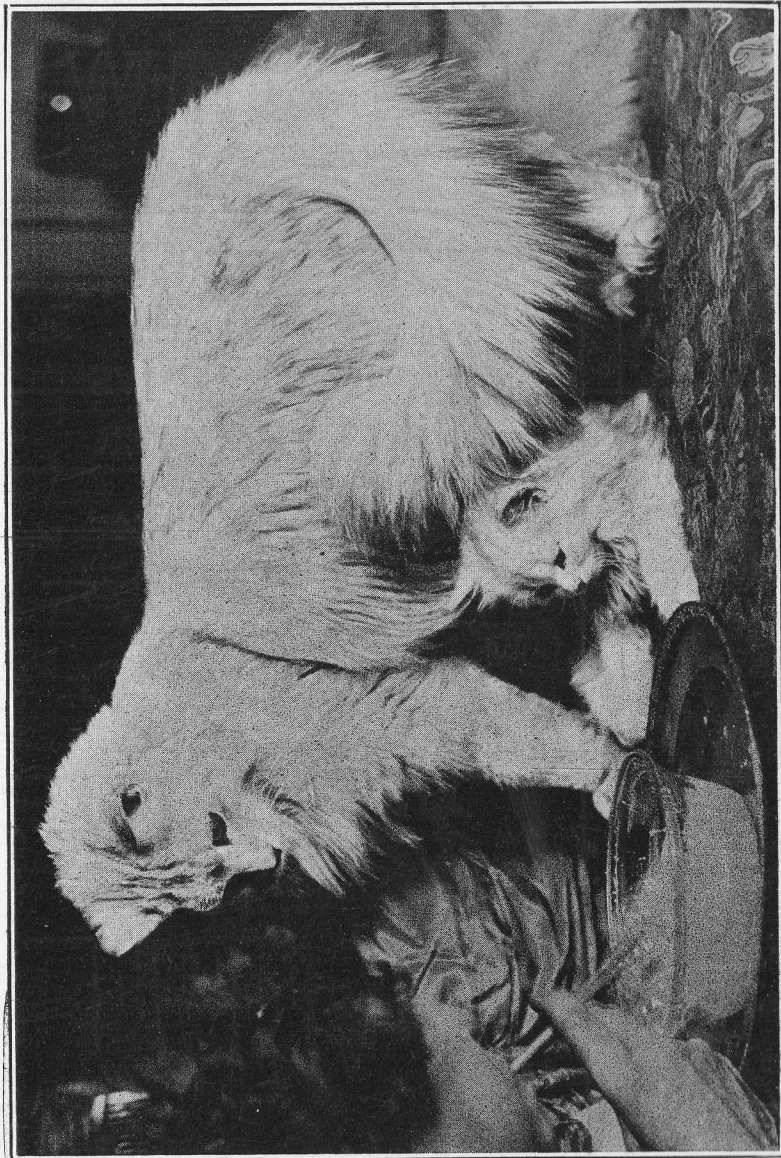
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TEETH TROUBLES AND TRIALS

DR. LIBBIE W. ASHCROFT



IF our little furry friends could speak our language how often might they say "Amen" to the small boy's philosophy expressed in "Teeth ain't no good. The'r hard to git, hard to keep, hard to git rid of and hard to git along without." Like humans, cats suffer more or less from ailments connected with the teeth, but with them the difficulty is often unrecognized. Many times needless suffering could be averted if proper treatment was applied to the proper place. Ordinarily no trouble arises with the eruption of the first or "milk" teeth. When the kitten is about five days old, the incisors in each jaw are evident. Careless handling in helping a weak kitten to find the nipple should be avoided at this time. Later there appear the four canines—the needle points that most fanciers' fingers are aware of. At four weeks, the molars come through. Not so uncomplicated is the process of second dentition. Repeatedly I am consulted about kittens three or four months old with a definite array of symptoms—lack of appetite, difficulty in swallowing, emaciation, bowel disturbance, drooling and slobbering. Invariably I inquire about the teeth and gums and usually receive the same reply—"I had not thought to look." During this trying period, puss needs two things, food which is concentrated and soft and a pacifier, preferably a bone or clothes-pin. In extreme cases apply ice to the burning gums. The future well being of the cat depends largely upon the manner it passes through this crisis.

The permanent teeth are subject to disease, decay and accident. All

are carnassial-built for carnivorous animals who gnaw and tear apart their prey, with little ability to grind. Nature never intended that the cat should be fed "pre-chewed" food exclusively. Mr. Feline's teeth and jaws need exercise which can be provided by an occasional piece of tough or sinewy meat, a large bone, chicken head, or any other substitute for the natural piece de resistance—a mouse or birdling. This same bit of tough meat serves as pussies' tooth brush as well. A woman in Hollywood told me that she brushed her cats' teeth every morning, but not many cats are blessed (?) with mistresses with sufficient desire and proper equipment, so are dependent upon mother Nature for this tonsorial luxury.

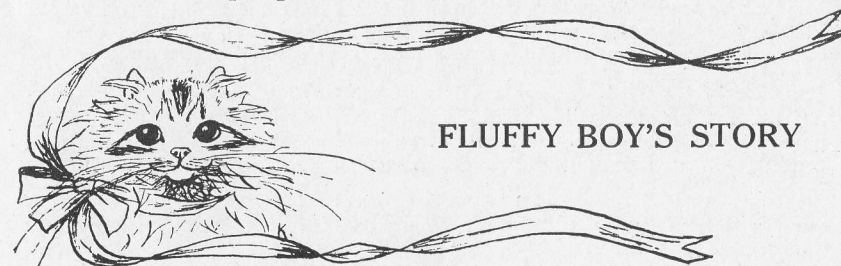
The more common accidents to teeth result in loosening or breaking. Extraction is the remedy, unless the break is at the point when the tooth can be filed. When the canine teeth grow too long or the corresponding tooth in the opposite jaw is missing, depressions are bored in the gums which are painful. Filing will remedy this, also. Winged seed pods, such as barley beard or fox-tail often become lodged around a tooth, causing great irritation. I have seen great masses of hair wound around the teeth while the unsuspecting owner feared the cat had hydrophobia because of frothing.

Many cats lose their teeth at an early age and seem to suffer no ill therefrom. Recently I examined the mouth of a twelve year old and found every tooth present and normal. Evidently cats have idiosyncrasies just as we do.

The diseases which cats' teeth are heir to are the same as ours with the exception of after effects of venereal disease—one of the curses that the "lower" animals are free from. Tartar accumulates early and should be removed. Toothache is recognized by holding the head sideways, languor, refusal to eat. Extraction is the best remedy, although some veterinarians parley with treatment which usually ends in extraction. Teeth abscess more often than we realize. When the suppuration comes to the surface, little or no treatment is required. If the pus is swallowed, the results are usually fatal. A cat may lick its own, or another cat's sore, and all go well, but if a quantity of pus is swallowed, there seems to be no inherent power of resistance. Parenthetically, let me say that if an abscess in the cheek or neck ruptures internally, make a quick incision so that the pus drains externally, no matter how loathsome the task may seem. It is the only method to save the cat.

The type of abscess in which the pus does not bore through the surface is the most frequent and the most formidable. Pus must travel and it always follows the path of least resistance. When an abscess at the root of the tooth drains internally, the blood and lymph streams carry the disease organisms to various parts of the body and the cat suffers from so-called auto-intoxication. I have seen cats recover quickly from attacks of skin disease, sore eyes, suppurative ears as well as from general dispiritedness and apathy following the removal of one tooth. Many of the conditions with "discharges" are due to the intoxication from concealed suppurating teeth. This word of warning is given for what it is.

worth to the fancier who has failed to keep in mind the importance of examining her cats' teeth and gums. If this seems too gruesome, take heart by recalling that, as yet, good little old Puss has not had to undergo the torture of adapting herself to store teeth.



FLUFFY BOY'S STORY

Other little cats have written letters to the Cat Review so I am going to write my story and see if they will print it.

From what people say I have learned that my mother went off and left my sister and me when we were little bits of things. They don't speak very nicely about my mother for how do they know whether she was shut in the house where she had been living since her owner went off and left her? It was December and the snow was very deep and this house where she was fed was a long way off and I believe that my mother was all right and couldn't get to us. But the good people who owned the barn heard my sister and me crying and hunted until they found us. And then what do you think they did? They drowned my sister! I did not know this until I was bigger and heard them talking, but they fed me with a medicine dropper. The first thing that I remember was that it felt so good when they took me in their hands to feed me. I grew quickly and soon was playing all about the house. There was a lady and a gentleman and a big boy and a smaller girl in the family. They were all good to me and I always had plenty to eat, but the big boy liked to get me on my back and put his hand on my stomach to make me kick and bite at his hand. He thought that this was fun, but it was only half play to me and I sometimes stuck my claws in him badly and bit and kicked hard, and then I would turn over and jump away suddenly and not let him touch me again for a while—but I like him, for I know that he likes me even if he was so rough.

Well, by and by another lady came to see these people and they gave me to her and she carried me a mile away. I didn't like this, but I found at once that this is another very nice place. It is a pretty little house and they have pretty plants in the windows and in the summer they have many more out of doors, and I can go anywhere that I want, only they don't give me very much chance. There are just two people living in this house, a lady and a gentleman, and whenever I go out of doors I find that one of them is out too and when he goes in he takes me in. One day they couldn't find me. They looked and looked and then one of them happened to see me on the roof. The man went up on the step-ladder that was there and carried me down before I had thought of coming down. They did not take me in the house this time, and both

of them were busy out of doors. I wasn't through with looking about on the roof so I started up on the ladder again. It wasn't especially easy for there were only round pieces of wood for me to step on, but I liked that all the better: I like to do things that people think that I can't do. It is so amusing to see them watch me or to see them looking for me if they don't know where I am. But this time they saw me when I had only gone up a few rounds and they took me down and actually took my ladder and put it down on its side close to the house. Never mind, I'll find something else to do.

These people are really friends of mine, but they are rather stupid and once in a while the lady is mean. But on the whole I am having a fine time; there are lots of places to get up on and they have some willow furniture which is fine fun. I can go all over that as well as a fly can walk on the wall.

The lady puts a sweater that she used to wear, in a nice place outside of their bed-room door every night and I sleep there until early morning, then I take the sweater down stairs every day. When I hear the people stirring up stairs I always go to the hall to meet the lady, then when the gentleman comes down I always go to meet him and I climb up his back to his shoulders and purr to him. When they are at breakfast I curl up on the lady's lap and purr to her, but that is enough for each day.

Now I want to tell you about a caller who came to see my lady two days ago. As soon as she came my lady went and called me. I didn't care to have her see where I was so I waited a bit, but lady came back and called again so I thought that I better come this time as soon as she turned away. This new lady did not try to pick me up (I wouldn't have let her. Such impertinence as some strangers have, they try to pick me up before I know them!) but just held her hand down for me to smell. I went all around her and looked her over well, while they talked about me. The first thing that this lady said was that I am a big beauty and that I am a half Persian and quite unusual because, although my mother was a short haired cat, I have a bushy tail and long hair on my hind legs. She said that perhaps I would have longer hair and a small ruff (whatever that is) when the fall comes. She asked questions about when the grocery store cat died and said that he was certainly my father. That suited me well enough; she seemed to think that my father was somebody. I liked her, but I would not let her pet me—I nearly caught her hand two or three times—and what else do you think she said? She said that I was spoiled: that some one, probably the boy where I first lived, had played roughly with me and that she, my lady, would have to be very gentle and careful if she ever made a real pet of me. Then the lady said that it was not only the boy but her husband that played that way with me (I wonder if he will stop) and then she confessed that she used the fly swatter on me sometimes. I don't like her to go out and in the morning when she puts on her hat to be away all day I come behind her as she goes down stairs and bite her ankles hard. Then she uses the swatter: these are the only times that she is mean. The stranger lady said that she had better not do it if she ever wanted to make anything of me: that she could carry me down stairs and put

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A Persian Cat



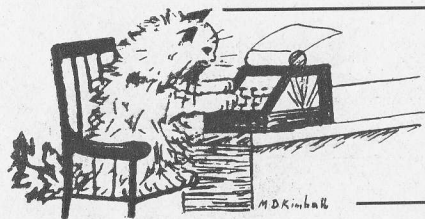
A Persian cat's the pet for me,
I like to hold one on my knee,
And stroke his long and silky hair
With hands that give him loving care.

While into mine his faithful eyes
Look steadily—without surprise
That I should meet his every need,
For truly we are friends indeed.

And when beside the lamp I read
And time flies by, which scarce I heed,
It makes things seem so cosy there—
Both resting in my big arm chair.

Agnes S. Frambach.





Correspondence

Editor Cat Review:

Will you kindly correct a mistake in the report of the annual meeting of the Cat Fanciers' Federation? This is entirely my mistake, and not that of the Secretary. Yankee Playmate, owned by Mrs. C. E. Marshall, of Watertown, Mass., was credited with having won her championship, when it was her dam, Fisher Maiden, who should have been given the honor publicly.

Very truly yours,
Mary Hope West,
Recorder Cat Fanciers' Federation.

Editor Cat Review:

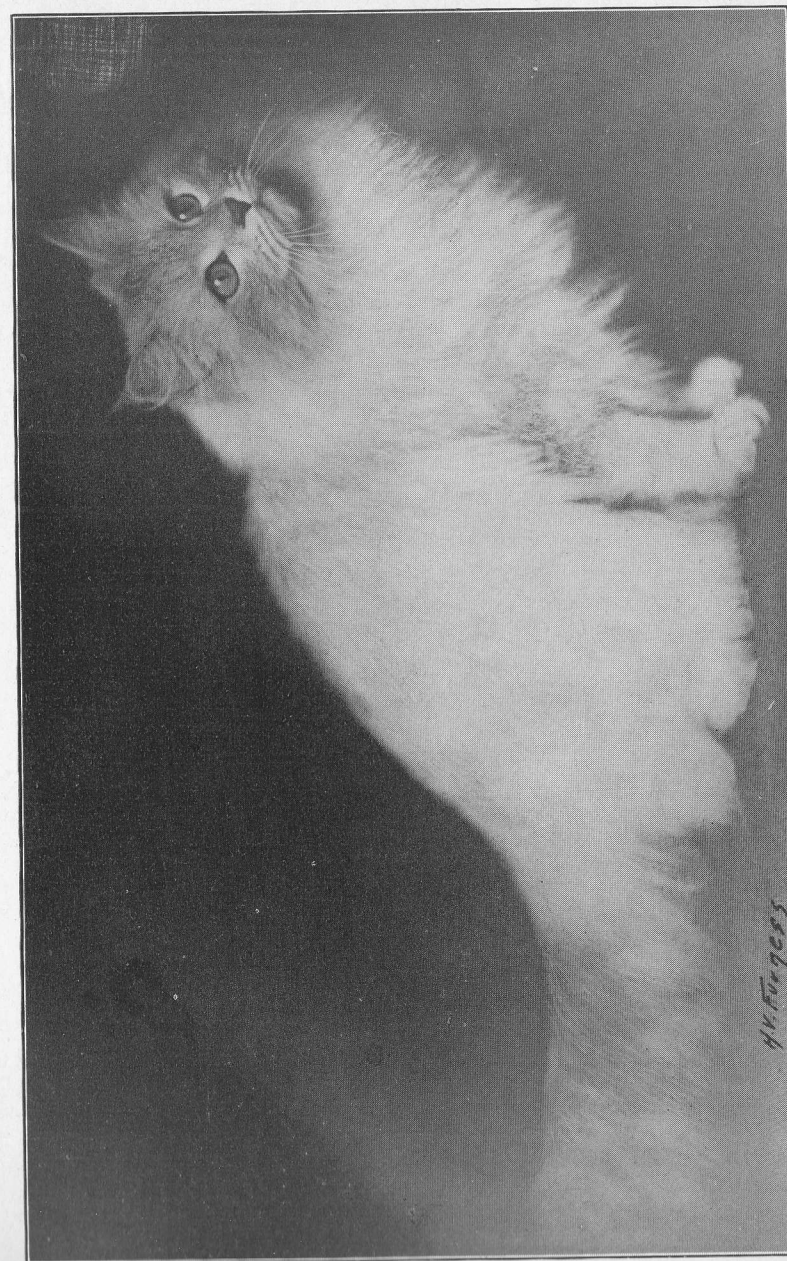
Acting on the suggestion in the article "Housing and Care of the Stud Cat" in the December, 1922, Review, I left my Tony and his mother together when she was in kittens to him, with the result that he bothered her and she had a miscarriage. That was a year ago last March, and she has had no kittens since.

If you think that this would keep some other novice from making the same mistake, you are welcome to print it.

I certainly agree with Maida Miami in the last May Review that circumstances alter cases.

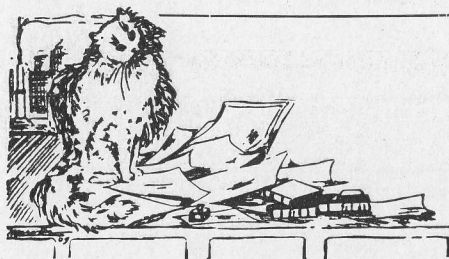
Yours truly,
Pearl Gray,
St. Mary's, Canada.

August 16, 1924.



LADY TADMIST FLAGS

This picture is in place of one lost in the mail on the way to the printer, for which the space was reserved. Tadmist is the mother of Ch. Cranreuch II, Ch. Mimi Flag, etc.



EDITORIALS



LETTER just received from one of our correspondents says: "I am so discouraged and disgusted with cat business as a money making (?) proposition that I hope to never raise any more kits. I want to keep my grown cats as pets. They do so get around one's heart that one can't think of selling the oldest ones." This is evidently a true cat lover; why has she not succeeded in making money when some others have? We think that she lives in a comparatively small place where there are no other well established fanciers so, as far as local trade is concerned she would need to build it up herself and this is certainly up hill work, but work that will do good for cats there and elsewhere as far as the influence reaches. We remember traveling in a train through a rich farming district with a Persian mother cat and the first two little kittens that we raised. The kittens were very cute and everyone who could stole a look at them. After a while a thrifty looking farmer leaned over and said "There is a young lady here who would give fifty cents for one of the kittens." We had the opportunity to tell him that they were worth fifty dollars. (One of them did some remarkably good siring when a grown cat.) When we have to educate people up from fifty cents to twenty-five and fifty dollars there is hard work, but it can be done. We have been to a locality where kittens were bought all around headquarters for ten or fifteen dollars because they were not only pretty but had such good dispositions. This was low pay but the fancier was half way to successful business.

County fairs are a help if a judge who knows cats can be found. Another correspondent writes of having asked to have an exhibit of cats at the county fair. This was agreed to but the manager insisted on having the cats judged and ribbons awarded. As no other judge could be found "he persuaded a veterinarian to act as such. Said veterinarian does know that a cat has four legs and a tail and evidently by his decisions thinks that the longer the latter is the better. As a result the judging, 'was a real scream.'" It might be a good plan to get from the Association or the Federation (addresses in the Cat Review) their standards of what a cat should be like and give them to the impromptu judges and managers of county fairs just as one step in the education of the public. But probably the exhibits at the county fair just referred to did help to make the general public appreciate cats better.

In your own locality, if you are a pioneer, sell your poorest kittens at three months if they are weaned then, for the best prices you can get. If you keep them much longer you will lose money when selling at too low a price. It will help you more than it will cause you loss if you refuse to sell them to places that would not be good homes. Then try to take the best kittens to a sanctioned show that is to have a good judge and try to sell them while there for a fair price—probably not what they are worth unless they have been judged to be among the best in the show, but for a price that will give you a profit. If you are fortunate enough to have one of the best cats put the price up to what a best cat should cost, but toward the end of the show if necessary let the price down. If you have stated a price in the catalogue you cannot ask more than that: therefore it is safer only to say "for sale." When you are well known you can ask the right price for all of your cats and, if selling is good at the show, make worth-while profit. Have some pictures of your cats if they are good—but only if they are good—with your name and address on them and puss' name, and distribute them wisely.

If you have a good enough picture have the Cat Review make a cut for you and put the picture in for a frontispiece. Send word to the Cat Review every time that you make a sale, mentioning who bought the kitten and the pleasant things they say about it and the name of the kitten's dam and sire. Put visit and birth notices in (Cat Review friends seem to be forgetting this) and last but not least, advertise regularly. Study other pictures in the Review and the standard of what a cat should be and when you have a good picture of a good cat have us make a small cut to have printed in your advertisement and perhaps on your stationery. With good pictures to help there is nothing like advertising to make your cats widely known.

There are three lines to be worked out: local trade, cat show notoriety, and advertising.

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me on the table until she could get out. I don't see why my lady goes to work in the summer and leaves me alone all day; she has such a pretty home and her man goes to work. I want her to stay. The people where she goes to work have a big house and they are only here in the summer and they call my lady their right hand man when she isn't a man at all.

One time when the stranger lady was not looking, I jumped right on her lap and she squealed (I didn't think that she would) so I was going to jump right off but she stopped me for a second, only she had to let me back off. I did some pretty good playing for her to see, for I do some stunts, and I got in my lady's standing work-basket where she won't let me go at other times, and I got on a shelf in the bookcase on top of the books where I just fitted in in the corner. Lady took me out of there and held me on her lap and let me bite her hand. They couldn't find me when the stranger lady was going, but I came to the window when she was walking along the piazza, and my lady with her. She put her finger to the window in front of me and I put my paw out to her.



Mrs. N. D. Sweet has moved from Hunting Park, California, to Los Angeles, 129 West 100th Street South.

Mrs. F. B. Ryder, of Binghamton, N. Y., is planning to spend August at her camp at Geneganset Lake, and hopes to have Mrs. C. C. Crum with her, and the two furry families in the runs in the woods. Mrs. Ryder says that business has been quite flourishing lately. She has made a number of good sales.

Mrs. Slade, of Wichita, Missouri, is moving and has had to break up her cattery for the time being. She is taking two of her queens and a kitten with her and her other queen goes to Mrs. Daniel, of Carbondale, Illinois, until Mrs. Slade is settled again and her cattery can be re-established.

On account of failing health Mrs. E. O. Roberts, of Poultny, Vermont, is disposing of all of her cats except one. She has sold Oxonian Radiant Prince, a blue-eyed white male, to Miss Marguerite Taylor, of Detroit, Michigan, and Kilravock Donna Lucia, a blue-eyed white female, to Miss Elsie J. Bailey, Lynbrook, L. I., New York.

Mrs. D. H. Alden, of Indianapolis, has just sold a lovely brown tabby boy, sired by Mrs. James E. Chester's Starling of Birds Nest, to Mrs. J. F. Darmody of the same city. Mrs. Darmody saw him at the kitten show and insisted on having him for a pet. Mrs. Alden is buying a male from Mrs. Clahane for a mate for one of this litter that she is keeping for herself.

Ex-King Ferdinand, of Bulgaria, says, "I adore cats, I admire their

independence, their mystery, their aloofness, their refusal to obey."

INDIANA PERSIAN CAT CLUB

Owing to the serious illness of Mr. Mark Adams, our trip to Mooresville for our July meeting with Mrs. Adams had to be postponed, but the committee, composed of Mrs. Lombard, Mrs. Webb, Mrs. Oertel and Mrs. Anderson, entertained us with a most enjoyable picnic in Brookside Park on July 29. A wonderful lunch was served at 1 o'clock, which was done full justice to by twenty members and five guests. After lunch we held our regular meeting in the Park pavilion, a delightful place for a meeting on a hot day, with the president, Mrs. McNeely, presiding. The report of the kitten show committee showed that the show which we held on July 12 was a success. We had over a hundred kittens entered, but the attendance was cut down somewhat by a storm in the early afternoon; nevertheless a nice sum was cleared for our treasury. This kitten show was judged by one of our own members, Mrs. Dora Young, of Warren, Indiana, and she showed very plainly that she has the making of a good judge. She was very painstaking and fair. Best male kitten was won by a white boy owned by Mrs. Miles, and best female kitten by a red tabby kitten belonging to Mrs. Adams. We feel that the kitten show was decidedly worth while, for beside the sum of money made, the Club and its individual members got quite a bit of advertising out of it, and several applications for membership were received as a result of the show. It was decided to postpone the rummage sale until cooler weather. A "dark horse," donated by Mrs.

Lombard, was won by the secretary. We are going to have a "white elephant" sale at our August meeting. Eleven applications for membership were reported favorably by the membership committee and all were accepted by the club. Such a good time was had at this meeting that it was decided to have another picnic next month at Garfield Park; the committee in charge being Mrs. Sargent, Mrs. Cramer, Mrs. Heir and Mrs. Hewitt. It is very gratifying to the club to see the interest that our men members are taking in it and we hope that this will continue.

Mrs. D. H. Alden, Sec'y.

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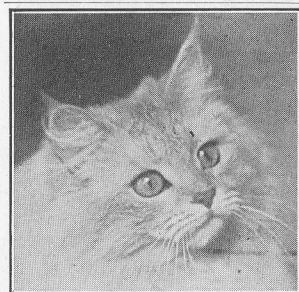
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