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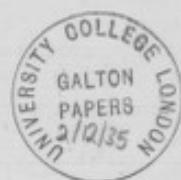
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Thacker on Coursing & Breeding

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4. Race horse & greyhound appear the most useful fleet - & the greyhound
is the better because not excited & left to his own control.
5. Many qualifications must be united. Good blood with selection make
a speed or vice versa will not do.
6. You may have a fat dog not of a pure or good breed & breed him back with
a well-bred bitch; you may possibly have a good puppy after but this will
mean do & go on with.
7. Quoted from Buffon, who argues that each individual as a whole, and may
contradict in all parts, a collection - of particles very like timber, an
assemblage of persons - - - - which in certain circumstances, are capable of becoming
new beings like those from which they were originally separated - - .
... So crystals. — Distantly these particles but far not destroy them
be ... (both.)
8. Animals require to be fostered in their youth so to reach their full measure
of stature in their offspring will be more diminution than themselves
-- this doctrine is disputed by some.
9. Perfection in all the attributes again insisted on.
10. (note) thinks dogs should be kept from breeding till much older than now
11. trace descent, discrimination of women that education - farmers'
daughters are born lazier. 20. men are therefore not half bred.
In short & stature.
12. It seems established that the best greyhounds are generally where there are
the fewest kept at a house. though of course there is much greater choice in
large establishments. Nurture is better - can run about ^{as they like} & lie down at its friend
fed with the family leavings > to have more chance of food. 'stands' of course
13. Artificial selection
14. Do not breed for size a greater or less size than the original perfect size (and
about perfection of nature!) as you may destroy that unity which alone secures
the best size.
15. The greatest thing is to avoid deterioration - many things which may appear trivial
in themselves will contribute to produce it. These require most to be guarded against.
It is a very common error to expect great improvement from a fanciful cross

59-60. Natural selection (good sense & in ht nonsense)

61. "in course of her, of the strongest survive & multiply"
62. "where the cross suited" esp p 71 "an expression in every breeders mouth"
63. Most agreeing & the see does not always prove the best.
64. deep-chested bitch. Her choice in the female is particular
holds good in breeding all descriptions of animals.
65. There are a vast many good bitches, far over Thorough-bred dog.
77. Arrian is quoted, in greyhounds - in 78 Oppian. (*What is the Cynegetics?*
several authors?)
80. The best greyhounds are those of most attachment to man.
83. Certainly white greyhounds are considered more delicate than the others
109. Fauny & hounds; without you have resemblance, I hold it im-
possible for any man to make a good selection (quoted from W. Drake)
Interbreeding recommended by him. (Drake).
111. Again good remarks on natural selection. It keeps the breed from
degenerating.
112. Bad effects - greyhounds became "fools."
119. Again an advantage poverty of food, &, & therefore by analogy, of breed.
123. Nature rewards a change
131. Breeding in, we gain in fullness of coat, firmness of muscle &
solidity of bone, but lose in size
144. Breed under changes of soil climate &c may constitute sufficient alienation
145. ditto
158. Proper age for breeding - he strongly advocates old dogs & bitches - 188-
159. Bitches are wanted by full work, too young
161. Button has their opinion - the older it tree the better, the first
164. Fertilizing & procreation and the like
178. Chauvin to dog - Arrian would not let him run for 60 days after.
180. W. Drake declares that the best bitches, are the longest before they go to heat
182. If one bitch goes to heat, her companions are apt to do so also.
184. The early instinct is fallacious - like the desire to eat unripe fruit food.
185. Horses, breed to the last year of their life though, women, do not
- 189-190. Game cocks & horses - a habit of breeding from 1 old & 1 young parent.
197. The time of year of heat is not under our control; some b. often, than others,
generally 12 months interval; varies from 6 to 15 - Old b. a shorter interval than ^{young}

- 199 Welfare of very young people - if they are nippish in the bud they seldom come to much perfection & if very much checked in their growth then, they never do. never mind how checked - want of milk. - cold - confinement.
201. African dogs - he advises that dogs must not be run so fast as b: their bones,ibility.
210. Martha's dogs it is the ugly puppies that grow most steadily & vice versa
215. Variable degree of shyness (nervousness) in dogs - b.
224. Cow in breeding in 2 days ; mare 1 week. - cows 2 -
232. The second sunrise of a dog in one day had a animalcule.
235. 1 horse has affected several horses in 1 day.
236. Pangenesis!
241. Euilleman's wife botchery who had no children - remedy. 1 week.
247. Dogs as well as horses may be overtrained; too much exercise long periods to appear to destroy the vigor of the animal
328. Tip top condition - he cannot get horses, he is not likely to remain stationary, he must get lower (now: Hippocrates)
- 335 Change of diet begins appetite. — is recouping health a not a mere whim.
342. Fasting a well fed dog now & then is very good.
343. Recommends to a man a fitter little way - except a Hibernary.

