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**Large Stone Taken From Kidney.**

Modern surgery continues to reveal new marvels daily, but a recent operation performed at St. Vincent's hospital, involving the removal of a gall stone weighing a pound and a half from the kidney of W. E. Britt, of Roanoke Rapids, N. C., is something new in Norfolk. The operation was performed by Dr. R. L. Payne, Jr., two weeks ago, and the patient improved so rapidly following the removal of the stone that he was able to leave for his home in Roanoke Rapids Saturday night.

Mr. Britt had been suffering from kidney trouble for many years, and the trouble became so acute some time ago that the operation became necessary. The size of the stone was a big surprise to both the patient and the attending physician. So far as is known, it is the largest stone ever removed anywhere in this part of the country.—Norfolk Virginian-Pilot.

**Rocky Mount Police Capture Beeze.**

Rocky Mount, Aug. 7.—Within a few minutes last night the Rocky Mount police station was turned into a veritable liquor store room, while the jail became a very popular place all of a sudden. One hundred and seventy-four pints, and many quarters and half pints of liquor was the haul of the police.

It came about when an air hose, to freight train No. 209 busted, while the train was pulling into the city, and police officers, Bartholomew, Denby and Wheelas made a haul of the defendants who alighted with their bags, boxes, satchels and cartons of whiskey.

The haul was the largest made in a single night in this city's history and was a serious interference with the traffic which has grown in great proportions since the enforcing of the new law against shipments. The carriers seldom ride the passenger trains, though they sometimes attempt such measures as a sending along of a trunk full of whiskey checked on one train and they come on another to claim it, this was done last night by Arthur May, a negro, who was nabbed as he claimed his trunk in the baggage room here, and which upon being opened was found to contain 96 pints and one quart.

The negroes taken from the incoming freight and who fell the prey of the officers when the accident occurred, were arraigned in the city court this morning and were given sentences of three to four months each on the road.

**Mrs. Warren and Christy Found Guilty.**

Winston-Salem, N. C., Aug. 7.—At 11:15 o'clock tonight Judge E. B. Cline, of the Superior Court, having received the verdict of the jury—murder in the first degree—condemned Mrs. Ida Ball Warren and Samuel Preston Christy to death in the electric chair Friday, September 24, for the murder of G. J. Warren, husband of Mrs. Warren. Clifton Stonestreet, found guilty of being an accessory after the fact, was sentenced to three years in State's prison.

An appeal was taken, filed for the defendants as paupers.

Mrs. Warren stood erect until the words fixing the date were uttered, then with a quick, nervous jerk, sank into her chair, drooping for a minute and then resuming apparent calmness. In the event Mrs. Warren is electrocuted she will be the first woman to go to the chair in this state and, it is said, the second woman ever to pay the death penalty in North Carolina.

Warren was missed from his home here after August 18 of last year, and his body was found in Muddy Creek, Forsyth county, last April. Christy, during the interim, had gone to Texas, where he had lived for years with Mrs. Warren, and whence the woman, then posing as the wife of Christy, alias Kearns, eloped with Warren.

Mrs. Warren, arrested after the discovery of the body, according to the police, made a confession implicating Christy is then said to have made a confession in which he told of a plot by him and Mrs. Warren to kill her husband.

**The Clerk Guaranteed it.**

"A customer came into my store the other day and said to one of my clerks, 'have you any thing that will cure diarrhoea?' and my clerk went and got him a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and said to him, 'if this does not cure you, I will not charge you a cent for it. So he took it home and came back in a day or two and said he was cured.'" writes J. H. Berry & Co., Salt Creek, Va. Obtainable everywhere.

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**SOCIETY TURNS TO HOUND DOGS**

New York, Aug. 10.—Did it ever occur to you that the width of your skirt and the line of your dress had anything to do with the faithful quadruped on the end of the leash? That he should expand and contract with the whim of Fashion seems almost inhuman, but such is the case. When skirts are tight, dogs are small; but, no sooner is fulness introduced in the mode, than society finds excuses for buying long-legged, lithe canines that suit their clothes.

To-day is the day of the hound. Dispose of your terrier and bull, and acquire a greyhound or one of the guaranteed-to-protect police dogs; that is not working overtime in the



The Slim Girl with Her Greyhound Gowned in The Princess Skirt.

sock market. It is quite the smart thing to do. All the matrons on Long Island have forsaken bridge to bring up pups into perfect specimens of American dog-hood, and prices for special species soar beyond the reach of the mere lover of dogs. These canines, bred through generations to perfect obedience and alert watchfulness, bring fabulous prices. One police dog, imported from the other side, was recently purchased by a certain Miss Fisher, prominent here in New York society, for the tidy sum of ten thousand dollars; but, then, this dog has past the test of regular duty and is perfectly capable of running down the huskiest of desperadoes. Dogs trained for home duties are much more modest in price. Oftentimes a bargain, especially in the younger dogs, can be picked up in three figures.

So devoted are the younger set to their pets, they are bringing them into town with them. Many smart dogs are to be seen on the Avenue. It is interesting to note the divided favor between the greyhound and the police dog. Possibly, it is because the greyhound is so picturesque that some women, especially the slender, choose this breed. One girl, who lives in the millionaires' row on the upper end of Fifth Avenue, takes "Jeff" out for exercise herself when she is in town. I met her in front of the library the other morning. Whether she dressed with "Jeff" in mind, or whether her gray serge skirt was happenstance, I do not know; but, certainly, the costume and the dog brought out the best points in her own personality. Her dark blue eyes and blue-back hair were intensified by the contrast with the gray. The skirt was one of the new Princess styles in gray serge, edged with blue and trimmed with braid. This had the new suspender straps and was worn with a blouse of sheer, transparent Swiss, cut on simple lines, the fabric being its charm. The hat, too, was in the same shade of gray, one of the new taffeta turbans, with a tulle band to shade the eyes, that Jeanne Lanvin brought out in the early season. The whole tended toward long lines, and the greyhound fitted in admirably well with the costume.

Out on the large estate at Long Island, the greyhound police dog are put to real service. Mrs. Butler Duncan, formerly Mrs. James Kernochan, was one of the first women prominence to bring the police dogs to America. Her "Peter" was was soon the pride of Long Island, for he gummed the game of a dark

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Wherever she goes, the dog is with her—in the country, trotting serenely beside her horse, and in town, well knowing the dignity of his position, tugging at the end of a leather lash. This fad of taking your own dog out on the Avenue is growing. I saw the woman mentioned above the other day, striding along behind her husky Pat. She was smartly gowned, but there was nothing that would attract attention



Full-skirted, in a New Princess Frock, She Stretches Beside the Sturdy Patrick.

other than the dog. Her dress was a linen Princess in coat style, cut short enough to show her striped stockings that match her collar. Her hat had a dark blue satin brim fastened well upon a straw crown, with the only trimming a head pin. The whole costume was simple. She was out to enjoy a walk with her dog, and her skirt was amply wide, thanks to fashion, so that she could keep up with the sturdy Patrick.

It would seem, the wider and more extreme they have their skirts the larger is their dog. And Fashion says hoop skirts are returning. What, then, do we expect in dogs? Fancy the Four Hundred with great Danes for pets!

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