

given early in the day and it should be remembered that hard rubbing is good for the dog. Any good dog shampoo may be used to obtain a good lather. Plenty of hot water is essential for washing and for rinsing. A second rinse with the blue-bag just dipped in the water is advisable. A little plug of cotton wool should be put in the dog's ears; this is removed after the bath and the ears cleaned thoroughly.

A dog should be allowed to shake itself—for this is the first big contribution towards drying—and then rubbed hard with warm towels. A Samoyed's coat is like a blanket and holds the moisture; it therefore needs plenty of time for drying, that is why a bath before midday is advised, also because it affords the dog an opportunity of exercise and of getting physically comfortable before dark.

An excellent precaution and definite preventative



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[Mrs. E. Gray Landsberg.

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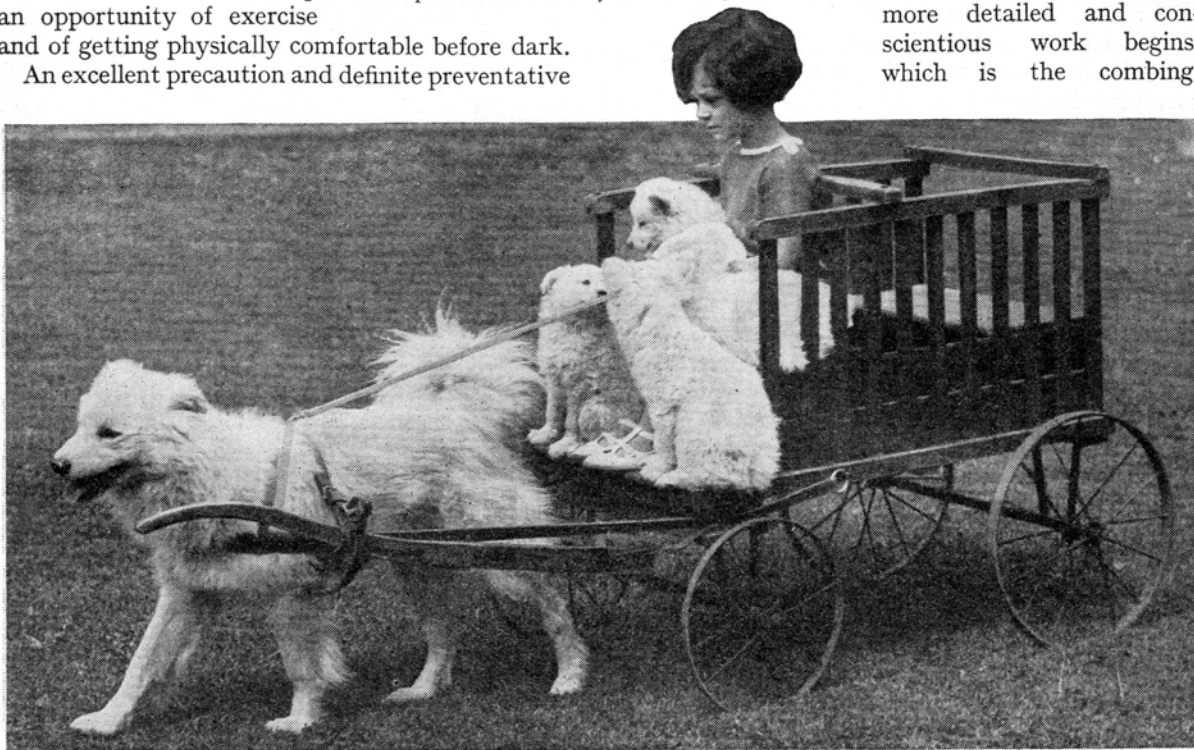
A three-months-old puppy by "Pelle of Halfway" which was imported and owned by Mrs. E. Gray Landsberg.

against chills is a small quantity of brandy in warm milk. This puts up a resistance to cold. It is given after the bath.

In the evening of the same day the "laundry" work is completed by sprinkling the coat with Robin Starch and then the dog should have a good meal and rest until the next day.

A Samoyed has no fear of the water, and in very few cases shirks the washing. In fact the writer's own dogs seem to enjoy it, and stand with their tails as proudly carried in the bath as in the show ring, fully conscious that their beauty is being specially enhanced.

The following day is given up to the first grooming, with emphasis on a good hard brushing—upwards from tail to head—to remove all starch. This done, the more detailed and conscientious work begins, which is the combing.



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WHAT A LIFE!

This picture of "Yugor of Halfway" was taken in 1926, a year after the dog had been imported from the Yenesei River by Mrs. Gray Landsberg. "Yugor" was driven 600 versts across Siberia and then shipped direct to England. Like most Samoyeds, as a rule it likes driving, but objects to this particular cart because the wheels are not rubber-tyred—hence its annoyed expression. Readers should note the fine limbs and general outline, and bear in mind that the dog was right out of coat when this photograph was taken.