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CANOES.

Once a year at Middleham in Maine, they hold a contest to decide the champion white waterman- The boats are collapsible and made of rubber- and these frail little craft nose their way through the boiling rapids like bloodhounds on the trail. After six miles of this wear and tear in a collapsible skiff, it's IO-I that something gives way. You have to be either an expert waterman, or an expert swimmer.

TORTOISES.

Our cameraman called in at the Zoo recently and found the tortoises racing about getting into such a sweat they had to have a bath. The eldest tortoise is Amelia- she is 150 years- although, of course, you'd never get her to admit that ~~she's~~ she's more than 129. Isn't it funny how these things remind you of relatives?

DOG AND BIRD.

We've all heard of the Lion and the Lamb- the Owl and the Pussy Cat, the Elephant and the Kangaroo- but in this garden there lived a rook who searched for a new pal. He soon found one- a sleek little dachshund. They had no end of a game together. But our feathered friend was too much of a good thing- for he pinched the bath, ^{was content with this} ~~and~~ wouldn't even allow his friend a nice lie down.