

at the same time they give repose to his master, whilst it requires much time and trouble to instruct other dogs for the purposes to which they are destined ; if we reflect on these facts, we shall be confirmed in the opinion that the shepherd's dog is the true dog of nature ; the dog that has been bestowed upon us for the extent of his utility ; that he has a superior relation to the general order of animated beings who have mutual occasion for the assistance of each other ; and, in short, the one we ought to look upon as the stock and model of the whole species.

The human species appear clownish, deformed and diminutive in the frozen climates of the north. In Lapland, Greenland, and in all countries where the cold is excessive, we find none but small and ugly men ; but in the neighbouring countries where the cold is less intense, we all at once meet with the Finlanders, Danes, &c. who for figure, complexion and stature, are perhaps the handsomest of all mankind. It is the same with the species of dogs : the Lapland dogs are very ugly, and so small that they scarcely ever exceed a foot in length. Those of Siberia, though less ugly have ears erect, with a wild and savage look, while in the neighbouring
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