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NOTE TO THE TEACHER

This reader uses English Canadian spellings. Listed below are words which differ from English American spellings. Canadian spellings are listed first, followed by the American spelling, and the pages on which they occur.

behaviour - behavior: 402, 406

colour(s) - color(s): 116, 224

coloured - colored: 109, 146, 207, 331, 339, 395,

favourite - favorite: 69, 156, 158, 163, 226, 239, 253,
317, 376, 385, 391

flavour - flavor: 239

harbour(s) - harbor(s): 91, 118, 121, 316, 321, 323,
352, 400, 403, 404, 409

honour - honor: 204

humour - humor: 90

neighbour(s) - neighbor(s): 43, 44, 47, 59, 70, 71, 71,
72, 73, 118, 120, 170, 171, 173, 175, 202, 225, 228,
231, 232, 244

neighbourhood - neighborhood: 39, 40, 137, 143, 202

practise(d) - practice(d): 137, 302, 380

pyjamas - pajamas: 26

signalled - signaled: 72

smouldering - smoldering: 86

splendour - splendor: 109

travelled - traveled: 165, 173, 318, 323, 327, 331, 333,
343, 354, 381

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THE SILENT PARTNER

This is the true story of a clever dog.

Dale was a big, handsome police dog. He belonged to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. He did such clever work for the Mounties that they called him "The Silent Partner".

When Dale was only three years old, he tracked down a car thief. The Mounties had found an empty car left on a highway. They could tell by the license number that it had been stolen. So they sent for Dale to see if he could pick up the trail of the thief.

Soon Dale's trainer drove up in a police car,

bringing the dog with him. The trainer held the free end of the dog's long rope leash, while Dale sniffed about picking up the scent. They went round and round the car, as Dale kept his nose to the ground to see what he could find. Then the dog set out for the open prairie.

The trainer still held the leash, and followed Dale at a brisk walk. The other Mounties came along behind. The ground was covered with mud and snow. This made it harder for the dog to follow the scent. But he sniffed it out, mile after mile. Any time he lost it, he would circle round and round till he found it again.

Dale led the Mounties five miles over the muddy prairie. When they reached an old shack on an Indian reserve, Dale hurled himself at the door. Inside the shack the Mounties found the man they wanted.

Not long after, Dale did another splendid job of tracking for the police. Someone had set fire to a farmhouse, and had run away without being seen. The Mounties took Dale out to the farm. But by the time they got there, it was nine hours

after the fire was started. The scent was growing fainter all the time.

The police couldn't see any sign of the man who set the fire except for a few old clothes, soaked with gasoline, left in the house. They didn't really think Dale would be able to help them this time. But they let him sniff at the old clothes, and round about the doorway.

Dale surprised them. He picked up the scent, and followed it out into a field. A bad wind storm was making the soil drift, and this made the dog's task harder than ever. But he nosed his way across the dusty fields. His good work led to the arrest of the man who set the fire.

Dale did other clever work, as well as tracking men wanted by the police. Once he saved the life of a little girl lost on the Alberta prairie.

His master was listening to the radio one night, when a call came asking men to go out looking for a two-year-old child. She had wandered away from the farmhouse earlier that day. No one had seen her since.

The dog's master answered the call for help,

and he took Dale along, too. By the time they got there it was almost morning. A hundred men had searched all night, and were ready to give up. They couldn't find any trace of little Eileen.

The Mountie asked Eileen's mother to bring him any piece of clothing the child had worn lately. She brought a small sweater. Then Dale's master let the dog sniff at it. Dale knew at once that he must go to look for someone who carried the same scent as the sweater.

In just a few minutes Dale had found the child. She had fainted, and was lying in a wheat field

