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ELEPHANT TORTURES

CAUSES THAT MAKE THE PONDEROUS BRUTES MAN KILLERS.

Many of Them Who Slay Their Keepers Should Be Allowed to Plead Justifiable Homicide-Why the Indian Elephants Hate the Mahouts.

One Sunday afternoon, while a concert was being held at the Crystal palace, an elephant belonging to a circus which had been performing there broke from its fastenings and killed its keeper. It then brushed through various partitions of wood and glass and appeared in the main building, where a great number of persons were listening to the music. It did not attempt to hurt any of the crowd, though it broke off with its trunk the uplifted arm of a statue, probably under the idea that this represented a man about to strike. After some time it allowed itself to be secured by another elephant. It was then decided to kill the animal, and after a dose of poison had failed a London gunmaker was sent for as executioner and shot the animal

On the following Wednesday an inquest was held on the body of the man. If it had been one of the trials of animals held by jurists in the middle ages for the exhibition of legal subtlety, the evidence in favor of the elephant could not have been more clearly put. Mr. Sanger, its owner, admitted that the animal had once before killed a former keeper, and he gave the facts which led to the death of the second. The facts speak for them-

The first man had been discharged by Mr. Sanger 15 months previously for gross brutality to the animals. He came back and asked to be employed again. This was granted, and he was taken on, not as a keeper, but as a laborer. The very first time he went into the stable the elephant, though it was quite dark at the time, instantly recognized the man's voice and at once crushed him against the stall. That the creature had acted only in a panic of horror at the reappearance of a tormentor was so well established at the previous inquest that it was retained in the menagerie. It was exceptionally docile and was taken through towns and villages all over England.

Why, then, did he kill the second keeper? Because this man, after his Sunday dinner, declared that he would get square with the elephant for striking him-with his trunk. He actually took a lance, and, followed by another keeper, also armed with a lance, he proceeded to "prod," i. e., pierce, the chained elephant. The tortured creature, after backing as far as it could, "at length rushed forward to escape the lance, broke its chains, threw down the keeper and trampled on him. If the elephant had been a man and had been put on his trial afterward, would it be too much to anticipate that the verdict would have been one of justifiable homi-

The grounds for the ill will which the elephant in India often harbors toward its Indian mahout lie partly in the animal's temperament, partly in the character of these men. As most elephants be-have with propriety to their drivers, we must believe that either the greater number of the mahouts do their duty by the beasts or that the latter are exceptionally forgiving. But there must be more than mere hearsay in the general belief that the mahouts commonly steal and appropriate a very large part of the ele-phant's allowance of food, that they are consequence often half starved and hungry, and that the men use their steel hooked and spiked "ankus" in a very merciless way on animals which are often not in condition to do the work which is set them.

As the cost of an elephant's keep is from \$20 to \$40 a month, in proportion to the food given him, a proportion and quality which is fixed in reference to the work to be done, the margin for stealing is very great, being reckoned between the minimum necessary to keep the animal alive on low diet and that required for keeping him in fine condition on the march in a campaign, when he is allowed extra rations and even a bottle of rum per diem. No other animal is clever enough to knew that overwork and underfeeding are probably caused by the direct agency of the man who maintains him. But it is pretty certain that the extraordinary intelligence of the elephant does enable it to put two and two together and to conclude that the person who gives him little food ought not to punish him for not being up to his

In any case the elephant bears no gratitude to the man who if he can gives him starvation rations and is his daily slave driver, and as long as native usage holds that "the driver and three generations of his family shall live on the beast he is paid to nourish" it must be expected that the animal will occasionally try the experiment as to whether the next generation can possibly be worse than its pres-ent tormentor. It is sometimes forgotten that an elephant may live for 70 or 80 years or even longer in the service of man and that in the unchanging east he may through this long life be farmed as a kind of property by the same family of mahouts; that the brutality of the father if he be a brute is learned by the children and grandchildren and that if the wretched elephant is in bad hands he has to put

ed elephant is in bad hands he has to put up with practically two of our working lives of ill treatment and semistarvation. The wonder is not that its temper occasionally goes amiss, but that it does not "break out" oftener.

The inference is that the natural temper of the elephant is almost the best and most easy going of that of any beast. All Hindoo traditions and folk lore agree in this. The elephant is the type of bonin this. The elephant is the type of b horse and easy geniality. It is this belief which encourages its "public" to take liberties with it on which they would venture with no other animal whatever.—

An Inventory of Arms, 1623. One culverin, four demiculverins, four sakirs, one minion, ladies for charging the guns with powder, round shot of iron for each class of gun, powder, match, long pikes, plain white halberds, blackbills, crows of iron, field oxtrees, gins for raising the guns, lead for shot, pickaxes, tan-ned hides, bondy barrels (?) budge barrels for powder; lanthorns, muskets, ban-doleers, molds, 12 longbows, 12 sheaves of longbow arrows, cressets, cresset lights, hand and draft ropes, shovels, spades, sheepskins .- Notes and Queries.

Far away from civilization gesture language is still extant in Australia. Some of the tribes possess such an excellent code that it is almost as efficient as the spoken language.

MATKUN AND MAID.

Minnie, the 11-year-old daughter of General Botha of the Transvani army, is a pupil in a school in Highgate, London. Miss Elizabeth G. Jordan, the new editor of Harper's Bazar, began her literary career as a reporter attached to the local staff of a New York daily.

Miss Ella Little, an American, has received a doctorate at the University of Heidelberg, "summa cum laude." This is the first time the distinction has fallen

Euchre is the White House amuse ment after dinner when there are no state functions or receptions. Mrs. Mc-Kinley is a devotee of the game and con-

siders herself an expert.

Mrs. Annie Theil of New York, who reused to accept payment of rent from her tenants, has been pronounced insane by ompetent physicians. This form of insaulty is exceedingly rare.

The Duchess of Marlborough, according to report, has been staying awhile at Monte Carlo with her mother, occasionally trying her luck at the tables and always wearing a new, fascinating frock. The money contributed by a grateful nation to Mrs. Mary G. Lawton, widow of Major General Henry W. Lawton, was handed over to her at Washington recently by Adjutant General H. C. Cor-

bin, the amount being \$98,407.07.
Miss Alice Bache Gould has given \$20,000 to the American National Academy of Sciences. The income of this sum is to be devoted to aiding such researches in the astronomy of precision as shall be judged worthy of it by a committee of competent professors.

Mrs. Blaine has purchased a lot of sev en acres adjoining the city cemetery at Augusta, Me., overlooking the Kennebec, which was a favorite place with Mr. Blaine. It is said that she contemplates having her husband's remains removed there from Oak Hill, Washington.

Anna Held, who has a weakness for diminutive canines, has acquired possession, by purchase, of Daisy, the smallest exhibit at the New York dog show. The smaller a blue and tan, the greater its value, and Miss Held's latest pet has involved her separation from much money Mrs. Dewey, wife of the admiral, is said to be of ready wit. An editor called her up and protested that the only photo-graph he had of Mrs. Dewey, for use in an article, was one that had been taken years before. Mrs. Dewey fold him to use it nevertheless. "But don't you want justice done you?" inquired the editor. "No, I can only hope for mercy," answered Mrs. Dewey.

POULTRY POINTERS.

Never set eggs that are more than month old. Bran and buttermilk make a good ra

tion for laying hens. Wheat middlings and cornmeal mixed is a good feed for young chickens.

In nearly all cases diseases and vermin will attack the poorly fed and ill kept Charcoal is valuable in the poultry yard if broken in small pieces and placed

where the fowls can have ready acces If the hen is fed on the nest it tends to give her a bad disposition and to make

her often difficult to manage when she comes off with her brood. One of the secrets of raising young

ducks is not to allow them to get wet, at least until they are fairly well feathered. Keep them away from ponds. Whenever fowls can be allowed to run

at large without detriment to the garden. they should by all means be given a free range, as they will keep much healthier. Turkeys have rapid digestion and are always apparently hungry. It allowed a free range, they can generally be kept at a small expense, but they thrive in confinement .- St. Louis Repub-

HOUSEHOLD HINTS.

To prevent steel from rusting place a ittle bag of quicklime away with the bright steel goods.

To remove panes-of glass lay soft soap over the putty which fixes them, and in a few hours they may be easily removed. When brushing a room, sweep toward the fireplace; otherwise the draft from the chimney draws the dust in that direction and scatters it about the room. Nothing in the way of linen lasts lot ger than the half bleached damask, and it is great economy to buy it, for it will not grow yellow when laid away as quickly as the fully bleached.

POLITICAL QUIPS.

Good government can be secured only electing good men to office.-Omaha

World-Herald. A great statesman is a man who can speak two hours without offending any voters.-Dallas News.

If you are not a fool about politics, you are fortunate, since most men are fools about politics.—Atchison Globe. The Hon. Wharton Barker will have the distinction of being the only candi-date in this year's fight with a last year's nomination

THE PEDAGOGUE.

In Nebraska there are 141 log schoolhouses, 517 built of sod, one of baled straw and one of steel. In the Danish high schools the cost of

educating students, including everything except clothing, is \$65 a year. The women's department at Cornell university will be rendered more demo-eratic next year. An effort will be made o get two women in each dormitory room by increasing the price of a room occu

pred only by one.

From microscopic observations it has been computed that the skin is perfoben computed that the skin is perfobles in a source lack. rated with 1,000 holes in a square inch. If the whole surface of the human body be estimated at 16 square feet, it must contain no fewer than 2.304,000 pores.

LEGAL DECISIONS.

In a recent case in St. Louis the judge lecided that it as the duty of the husband to get up in the morning and make the

A St. Louis judge has ruled that if a husband be locked out by his wife be may chop down the door, if necessary, to gain entrance, but he has to pay for the

It has just been judicially decided in Oregon that in an emergency case a physician can drive across a bridge at a speed greater than that permitted in ordinary traffic

A SORKY SIGHT

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INVENTION OF SLEDS

How Primitive Man First Conceived th Idea of Snow Vehicles.

Dr. Karutz, an original scholar of Lubeck, has just completed some val-uable investigations relative to the invention of the sled, says an exchange. After long study he comes to the conclusion that primitive man probably arrived at the idea of the sled from seeing trees slip and slide down the mountains. In Madeira, for instance, where there is never any snow, sleds drawn by oxen are used just as they are in the Philippines. It is a development from the idea of a man dragging a burden along the ground, when it ras too heavy for him to lift it up and carry it. He at first hitched his dog to the deer that he had just killed and both dragged it toward the cave or hut in which they lived. When he saw logs slide down the mountain side the idea of using smooth logs that would slide over the ground easily when drawn by himself or one of his animals was the next step in the development of the sled. Primitive peoples like the Malays of the Philippines

and the unprogressive peasants of Madeira still use the sleds invented by their ancestors thousands of years ago In countries where ice an found it is probable that the very fact of a man slipping on the ice showed some inventive person that there was an easy way to carry what he wanted to transfer from one place to another, and so first pulling a branch along over the frozen snow instead of car rying it, he thought of putting other

things on the branch, he trimmed off the twigs and leaves that caught in the stumps and other trees, and the beginning of the sled had come. The joining together of two logs, and shaping them were only steps in the perfection of the earliest method of transportation which antedated the invention of wheeled vehicles by many

Seeing Double.

A Clevelander who has just returned from New York says he recently strolled into one of the leading res taurants there and noticed that they were putting up a glass ceiling. 'What's that for?" he inquired of

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