

## Jumbo's Lone Widow.

The history of the expulsion of Jumbo, the great African elephant from the Zoological Gardens, his transport to the United States, and his death, owing to his being run down by a railway engine while walking along the line, are all fresh in the memory of my readers. Mr. Bartlett, the Superintendent of the Zoological Gardens, has received a letter from Mr. Hy. A. Ward, of Rochester, U. S. Mr. Ward writes as follows:

"I am taking very careful measure of the skeleton, as to all the bones. The presence just now in my establishment of a full-grown skeleton, perfect almost throughout, allows some very interesting comparisons. That Jumbo was at death a young animal is evident from the loosening of the cappings or epiphyses of all the long bones and of the vertebrae. His dentition, too, seems to indicate this. I should greatly like to know Jumbo's exact age, or any approximation toward it which is sure within four or five years."

There is no difficulty in acceding to Mr. Ward's request as to Jumbo's age. He was received in exchange from the Jardin des Plantes, Paris. I myself saw him the day after his arrival in the gardens, and went into his den with Mr. Bartlett; he was then about four feet high and the keeper, holding a long-handled broom in the usual manner, was scrubbing his back, which was far beneath him. He must then have been about 3 years of age, and, as he arrived in 1865, he must have been at the time of his death about 23 or 24 years old. It is interesting to learn that, although he had attained such a size, he had not passed the period of growth, as shown by the ends of the long bones (epiphyses) not being solidly united to their shafts.

Alice, the large female African elephant, who, in the exaggerated language of the newspaper accounts of Jumbo's departure, was written about as being his bereaved and mourning bride, is at present in the Gardens, occupying Jumbo's old den. She is of large size for her sex, and is not of an amiable temper; but her magnitude has excited the admiration of Mr. Barnum, who, having lost Jumbo, will no doubt console himself with the possession of Alice, whom he will doubtless introduce to the American public as Jumbo's widow. She is truly a magnificent and perfect specimen, in spite of her being minus the end of her trunk, which she caught in the chain placed around her foot, and by a sudden impulse pulled away, leaving some six inches of it behind. She was purchased by the society the same year that Jumbo was received, viz., 1865, being then quite young.

There are now in the gardens two very fine specimens of the African species of elephant, which were presented to Her Majesty by the king of Abyssinia. The larger of the two is about the size that Jumbo was when he first arrived at the Gardens. It is interesting to see the creature passing through the tunnel connecting the portions of the Gardens north and south of the carriage road. Looking up to the roof and noticing the marks still visible which Jumbo made with his back before he acquired the habit of stooping as he passed through, one cannot help anticipating how, with good treatment and regular exercise, the young animal may become a second Jumbo to delight the Londoners of the twentieth century, when—But no; I will respect the old aphorism which says, "It is wiser not to prophesy unless you know."

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The London Telegraph says that Mme. Patti has been offered an engagement in Brazil at \$6,000 a night.

Miss Minnie Palmer has sued an English provincial newspaper for stating that she was a failure in London.

## TO CORRESPONDENTS.

BERTHA, City.—The beautiful poem, "Our few Must not Ring To-Night," was written by Rosa Thorpe.

SMOKER, Port Elgin.—Meerschaum is a kind of mineral having the appearance of clay found in Greece, Turkey, Spain, and other localities. It is extensively manufactured into pipes at Pesh and Vienna.

FORGETFUL, Victoria, B. C.—You can strengthen the power of your memory by a persistent exercise of it. You do not make a sufficient impression upon your mind, neither do you connect them with other things which would enable you to recall at will.

THOMAS W., Hamilton.—The paper having the largest weekly circulation in Great Britain is Lloyd's Weekly, of London, whose circulation is considerably over 600,000. The proprietors of the paper own their own paper mills, and own a farm in Algiers where a certain plant is cultivated for their paper stock, and this material is sent to England in their own ships.

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A baby about a month old was taken by its mother to a dispensary at Bellevue Hospital, New York city, for treatment last week. When the child was born it had a large swelling on the forehead, which slowly increased in size and firmness. Nothing could be done to reduce the protuberance, which was supposed to be a tumor, except to perform an operation and take it out. Before this could be done the little thing died. The consent of the mother being obtained, Dr. Janeway held an autopsy at the morgue, and found that the cause of the swelling was a second brain, which was growing on the outside of the skull, independent of the brain inside, save through a connecting substance that passed through a slight fissure in the bone. The anatomical specimen, which is a rare one, was put into alcohol to preserve it.

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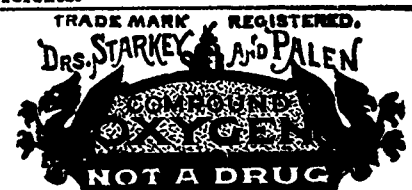
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