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THE COMMON MOUSE.

HE IS A DECIDEDLY INTERESTING LITTLE ANIMAL.

Agile and Graceful in his Movements, Intelligent and Rather Dainty, Free and Not at All Vicious in his Disposition.

The common little house mouse is probably the best known wild animal in America. It is almost impossible to avoid learning something of the appearance and habits of this little fellow, for he acts as a private tutor on the subject in almost every household.

As few of us are fond enough of him, however, to pay strict attention when he presents himself as an object lesson, a brief description of his external appearance may not be out of place. In a certain quaint dictionary I once possessed the definition of "mouse" was given as "a small rat," and this is not such a very bad one, after all, except for the fact that the reader is apt to be less familiar with the appearance of a rat than a mouse.

The total length of the animal is about 9½ inches, of which the tail takes up nearly one-half. His head is longish and his nose sharp. His ears are large and erect, with very little hair on either surface. His legs are slender, and his delicate little feet are provided with sharp, slightly hooked nails. His tail is round and tapering, scaly and with a slight covering of short hair. In color he is dusky gray above and sandy beneath. His eyes and most of his whiskers are black, and his front teeth are yellowish.

Altogether he is a very dainty little fellow, and if persons would only stop to study him a little instead of throwing things at him or calling in the cat every time he puts in an appearance they would soon find him a very intelligent and attractive companion. He is very agile and graceful in his movements and not at all vicious in disposition. For some time past I have had a number of mice in captivity, and I find them very amusing pets. They will eat anything and are so tame that they will take food from my hand or drink from a little vessel held in the fingers. They are most active at night, but often play about in the daytime. They are very bright and immediately give their attention to any unusual sight or sound. To do this they usually pause, with their head slightly on one side and with a most inquiring look in the eyes. After eating they wash themselves very rapidly with their front paws.

Where there is an abundance of food mice eat a great deal, but they seem able to live on very little, and when once well established in a house they manage to get along somehow, even if for months at a time. When hungry, however, they are very persevering in their efforts to get food and will gnaw their way into boxes and cupboards, scold walls and even cross ceilings, when the means are rough enough to afford a hold for their sharp, hooked claws. They have been known to descend a rope and eat up the contents of a basket hanging from the ceiling.

They make their nests of scraps of paper, wool, rags or any soft material, which they usually chop up very small with their teeth. These homes are usually made in a hole in the wall or beneath the floor or in an old box, drawer or other convenient place. Often when clearing out an old desk or trunk one comes upon such a nest, made of fine particles of old letters, penwipers and such like things.

There are several litters of young every year and generally from four to ten in a litter. When the young ones are born, they are very small, pink little creatures, naked and blind. The mother is devoted to them and tends them with great care and constant affection. When they are a few weeks old, they begin to come out of their hole to play about and see what the world is made of. They may easily be distinguished from the older ones by their smaller size and younger looks.

While the normal color is gray, very rarely a black specimen is seen, and the white mice with red eyes which are often kept as pets are albino of this species. Others are spotted black and white and at times have been sold at quite good prices as "fancy" mice.

Of the many enemies of the little rodents perhaps the house cat stands at the head of the list. Many people judge a cat chiefly by her qualities as a mouse hunter, and all things considered, it is perhaps just as well that she does take a hand in the game occasionally.

Next to the cat perhaps the owl and the fox are the greatest enemies, and crows all look upon mice as a delicacy. But the troubles of the rodents do not end here. Scores of ingenious traps have been invented for their destruction, and they are also poisoned in great numbers every year.

When it becomes necessary to destroy mice, perhaps the most humane way to do it is with the spring trap, which kills them instantly by a blow. Poisoning is very cruel, and this method is also a menace to human life, not only because it is always dangerous to have poison where there is a possibility of children getting hold of it, but because the mice are apt to die in the walls, floors and other inaccessible places.

Drowning is also cruel, though I once knew two dear elderly ladies who were so kind hearted that they used to drown their mice in warm water, "because," they said, "it is so cruel to drown the poor things in cold water, in the middle of winter too."

Sydney Ought to Know Us Now.

It was in the year 1820 and in the Edinburgh Review that Sydney Smith made his celebrated sneering reference to the country. "In the four quarters of the globe," he asked, "who reads an American book, or goes to an American play, or looks at an American picture or statue? What does the world yet owe to American physicians or surgeons? What new substances have their chemists discovered or what old ones have they analyzed? What new constellations have been discovered by the telescopes of America? What have they great in the mathematics? Who drinks out of American glasses, or eats from American plates, or wears American coats or gowns, or sleeps in American blankets?"

Prompt.

Holden—What kind of a boy is that new one who came last week? Winter—Oh, he's all right—only a little dull. He was talking rather loudly the other afternoon, and I hollered, "Shut up!" Well, sir, before I knew what he was about, he had half the shutters up. Boston Transcript.

MATRON AND MAID.

Mrs. H. K. Porter of Pittsburgh has established a diet kitchen in connection with the Domestic Arts school of that city.

The Dowager Lady Blake, whose death was recently announced in London, was once the intimate friend of Thackeray, Jenny Lind and Dickens.

Mrs. Jefferson Davis has completely recovered from her recent severe illness and, her friends announce, has regained all her former vigor and energy.

Mrs. Palmer, Mrs. Manning and a Belgian vivandiere of Napoleon I are the only foreign women wearers to date of the cross of the Legion of Honor.

Lady O'Hagan has been elected to preside over the Bursley (England) school board as a Progressive by a majority of one against the Church party.

The Duchess Marie of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha has presented to the National museum at Coburg a valuable collection of glass and pottery which is valued at \$125,000. It is to be known as the Duke Alfred collection.

The Duchess of Marlborough (Consuelo Vanderbilt), while hunting with the Hertsford hounds, was thrown from her horse while clearing a fence. The horse rolled over her, but she escaped with nothing worse than a severe shaking.

President Felix Faure's daughter, Lucie Faure, who when the Elysee went by the pet name of the "Dauphine," is on the point of publishing a work entitled "Newman et ses Euvres," which gives her impressions of the English cardinal apart from the historical narrative of the Oxford movement by M. Thureau-Dangin.

Mme. Padewski is in the future to act as her husband's secretary and business agent. During his last tour here his married wife showed a disposition to take a more or less active hand in his business affairs, and many persons believed then that it would only be a matter of time before she would entirely assume the functions of his manager.

Mrs. Bridget Rattigan, one of the pioneer residents of Homestead, Pa., died a few days ago, aged 78. She was manager of the Brunswick House during the great Homestead strike, and the hotel was headquarters of many of the new men who came to take the places of the striking steel workers. Mrs. Rattigan did much to bring about the conditions which resulted in the settlement of the strike.

THE VERDICT.

Babies born during the present year will be known as century plants.—Atlantic Constitution.

Sir Thomas Lipton is so shrouded in secrecy over Sharnock II that at the moment he may conclude to sail her under water.

Last season's rush to Nome may be summed up as a \$10,000,000 investment in \$3,000,000 worth of gold and the rest in experience.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Buffalo is to have a Pan-American exposition, and already there is agitation of the question whether it shall be opened on Tuesday, or on the day of the week of which there seems to be no permanent settlement. All of the old arguments have to be gone over with the recurrence of each show.

There are more rich men in this country than in former times, and individuals are relatively larger. But as a rule rich men are more liberal with their means than ever before in the world's history. Rich men more than ever recognize the fact that wealth is a trust and that the art of reckoning is coming.—Richmond Times.

Texas has the resources within her own borders to completely clothe, feed, house and warm and cool a man. We have cotton, wool, hides, wheat, corn, meat, sugar, oil, vegetables, timber, iron, coal and plenty of artesian water, to say nothing of our facilities for lighting things up with our own oil and natural gas. Where is there another state in the Union that can say as much?

THE PEDAGOGUE.

The Georgia State university, located at Athens, was organized 100 years ago. Women are rapidly displacing men as teachers in the schools of New York. During the last year there was a decrease of 217 in the number of men employed, while the number of women teachers increased 1,073.

Dr. John Kest, a physician of Adrian, Mich., who has several times made liberal donations to educational institutions, has given to the College of Medicine and Surgery of Chicago a museum of zoological specimens valued at \$150,000. The animals filled five freight cars when presented for shipment.

John D. Rockefeller has agreed to give \$150,000 to Carson and Newman college of Mossy Creek, Tenn., provided the trustees raise \$50,000 additional by 1905. President J. T. Henderson says that about half of the conditional amount has been pledged. Carson and Newman is a Baptist college, coeducational, supported by the Baptists of east Tennessee. It has about 300 students.

THE CARE OF BABIES.

The three prime essentials to a nursery are fresh air, good food and pure water. An infant's thirst is not quenched by milk. It needs clear water to drink with regularity.

Always hold a baby in your arms when feeding it in about the same position as if nursing it. Regular habits, proper food and long hours of sleep are necessary conditions to a healthy infant.

Plain boiled water given between feedings will often aid the digestion and satisfy the child when restless. Do not feed the baby because it cries. Its restlessness may be due to pain, and it is hurtful to fill an infant's stomach at such a time.—Woman's Life.

THREE CITIES.

New York City owes \$60,000,000, more than all the 45 states of the Union together. Cincinnati now claims to be the greatest whisky market in the world. The wholesale trade there announces that last year was the heaviest the city has ever had.

The town of Beebe Plain is on the border line between Vermont and the Canadian province of Quebec, the line running through the middle of the principal street. The postoffice for both countries is in the same building, which was built some 75 years ago.

It's Time Wasted

And strength wasted, to try to push back the rising tide with a broom. It's just as great a waste of time and a far more serious waste of strength to try to push back the rising tide of disease with the "nervines," "tonics" and "nerve foods" which simply drug the nerves into a drunken stupor. They make you feel good? So does whisky, while the feeling lasts, but the reaction is dangerous and deadly. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery is a temperance medicine. It contains no alcohol, opium, cocaine or other narcotic. It strengthens the body by purifying the blood and increasing the supply of that vital fluid. It heals diseases of the stomach and organs of digestion and nutrition and thus removes the obstacles to a perfect nourishment of the whole body.

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«He was a softish sort of chap, but played a tolerably fair game of seven up.» said an ex-servant of Pike county, «We were sitting in, up at Lackawanna, playing for a quarter a corner. I knew he was dead gone on a girl up at the Narrows, and so remarked casually early in the game.»

«Every time a fellow gets the jack of trumps in seven up it's a sure sign his girl is thinking of him.»

«Then I sort of watched the young fellow, and the very next hand he picked up low, and his eyes light up and a real nice flush of pleasure spread over his face. So I led out, and sure as pollywogs, I caught his jack, as I thought maybe I would. And it worked so well all the evening that I had a whole lot of his quarters when we quit. But he seemed pleased and went up to the Narrows on the next train.»

Misunderstood.

It was a son of "the old sod" who had this little passage with the salesman at one of the down town jewelry stores the other day. He had come in to purchase a wedding ring for his bride to be. Learning far over the counter, so that the clerk should be able to hear his wants without the necessity of informing all the other buyers in the store, Pat whispered to him, "Give me the best wedding ring you have in the shop."

"Brighten curtains?" queried the clerk. "No!" snapped Pat, drawing back in an offended manner. "Ain't you, if it's any of your confounded business."

Dreadful.

Mrs. Hoon—They say that Mrs. Swift-Smith is greatly troubled with insomnia.

Mr. Hoon—Yes; I understand that she discovered the fact a week ago that her husband talks in his sleep, and she hasn't slept a wink since for fear of missing something.—Exchange.

Immune.

Mr. Biddle—Those shoes are absurdly small for you, my dear, but one must suffer to be beautiful, I know.

Mrs. Biddle—Ah, but how one suffers trying to be polite you will never know!

No man should object to thieftakes on his shoes, as the objections will soon wear away.—Chicago News.

The first balloon ascent took place in 1783.

Little Freddie—Please, Mr. Druggist, papa says he wants a bottle of liniment, and mamma wants a bottle of china cement, right away.

Druggist—All right.

Freddie—Mamma hit papa with a sugar bowl.

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