

VICTORIA'S BEAR TAMER.

The Queen Gratifies Her Grand-Children and Creates a New Title.

During the recent visit of Queen Victoria to Balmoral, says the Chronicle, the Queen was taking a drive with her grandsons, the young Princes of Battenberg, when, nearing the gates of the park, they beheld a bear tamer with a huge animal standing in the road, evidently waiting for the approach of the royal carriage.

Persuaded by the children, the carriage stopped and watched with much pleasure the performance of the bear. She sent the footman with a sovereign to hand to the tamer, who refused to accept the money, and asked if Her Majesty would condescend to give him some sort of a note as a proof that his bear had had the distinguished honor of having danced before the gracious eyes of Her Majesty.

The Queen hesitated to grant this rather impudent request, but the children prevailed upon her to accede to the tamer's wish.

"Why not do it?" argued little Prince Henry. "Was there not a horse made Consul in Rome?"

"Well, tell me the name of the Emperor who committed such folly," said the Queen, "and the bear shall gain recognition."

The Prince named Caligula without the slightest hesitation.

That same evening a letter bearing the royal seal was delivered to the bear tamer in which the title, "Bear Leader of Her Majesty the Queen of England and Ireland, Empress of India," was conferred upon the happiest of animal teachers.

MR. COLE ENDORSES

The Report of His Cure of Rheumatism

By Dodd's Kidney Pills. When Every Other Remedy Had Failed—His Case Was Exceptionally Severe But Quickly Yielded to Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Windsor, March 6.—Mr. F. G. Cole, whose case was reported in the Canadian newspapers, last week, was met by a friend on the street, a couple of evenings ago.

"Hello! Is this true that I have been reading about you being cured of Rheumatism by Dodd's Kidney Pills?" asked his friend.

"Why certainly it's true. Otherwise I should never have permitted it to be published," answered Mr. Cole.

"And did Dodd's Kidney Pills really cure you, or was it your doctor's medicine?"

"I was taking no doctor's medicine. I wasn't using anything except Dodd's Kidney Pills. Therefore it could be nothing else but Dodd's Kidney Pills that cured me."

"Was it a mild case of Rheumatism?"

"Not by any means! It was, on the contrary, an exceptionally severe one. I suffered more than I can describe. I tried several of the remedies that were recommended as being 'sure to cure' me. But though one or two of them gave me a little temporary relief, none went anywhere near curing me."

"When a friend urged me to try Dodd's Kidney Pills, I demurred. I believed they were no better than the other remedies I had used. However, I bought a box, and began to use them."

"I soon began to feel easier. My sleep came back; the terrible pains vanished, and four boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills made my cure complete and thorough. I cannot speak too highly of them, and I shall recommend every sufferer from Rheumatism to use them, knowing they will positively cure."

MENU CARDS.

The menu cards now seen are generally made of china, on which the different courses can be written. There are very rarely more than four of these placed at a table, and sometimes only one, which is put near the host. But it is not a fashion that meets with universal approval. It saves too much of the restaurant and a bill of fare. Some are very cleverly got up in the shape of a silver frame, into which the written cards can be slipped—something on the plan of the perpetual calendar, but this is rather too business-like to be in keeping with a well-appointed social dinner table.

TO OUR READERS.

The editor desires to inform his readers that he is authorized, through the courtesy of N. C. Polson & Co., Kingston, Ont., to offer each one suffering from catarrh, fetid breath, bronchitis, etc., a simple outfit of Catarrh-cure. Catarrh-cure is a liquid which, when inhaled, reaches every diseased spot, cleansing and invariably curing catarrh and all nasal and throat diseases. For a short time these samples will be given free. It never fails to cure. So write at once to the above address.

William Zeigler, of New York, has purchased the Royal Baking Powder Company, the Cleveland Baking Powder Company, the New York Baking Powder Company, the Price Baking Powder Company and others, at prices aggregating something over \$10,000,000. A new combination will be capitalized at \$20,000,000.

Many people suffer with catarrh until it becomes chronic, because they do not know how easily it may be cured. Ten days' free trial treatment ought to be convincing. Send fifteen cents to cover cost of mailing outfit. Dr. Ray's Successful Remedy Co., Toronto.

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Rheumatism.—"Myself and a friend both suffered from severe attacks of rheumatism. Hood's Sarsaparilla cured both. We would not be without it." Wm. H. Lester, 65 Leonard St., Fall River, Mass.

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"LITTLE PEACH."

This is the name of a mysterious disease at present affecting many peach orchards in southern Michigan. Its chief manifestation is the dwarfing of the peaches. Dr. E. F. Smith, of the Department of Agriculture, who has investigated the disease, thinks it is due to the shutting off of the water supply of the trees, but he is unable to say whether that arises from the condition of the soil and the weather, or is caused by an undiscovered parasite.

Iowa Farms for Sale, \$2 per acre cash, Balance 1 crop until paid. J. Mulhall, Sioux City, Ia.

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Conductor—hastily—How old is that child?

Young Mother, indignantly—Do I look old enough to have a child old enough to pay fare?

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His attentions to you have been marked have they not? said the young woman's experienced friend.

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A DOG BRIDAL ATTENDANT.

A novelty was introduced at a fashionable wedding in Baltimore a few days ago. There were neither maids of honor nor bridesmaids to divide honors with the bride, who entered the room accompanied by her pet fox terrier "Jack," around whose collar were entwined orange blossoms and voluminous streamers of white ribbon. During the ceremony "Jack" greeted the guests with a stony stare from his vantage point at the bride's feet.

RESULTS WHICH SET HIS HAIR ON END.

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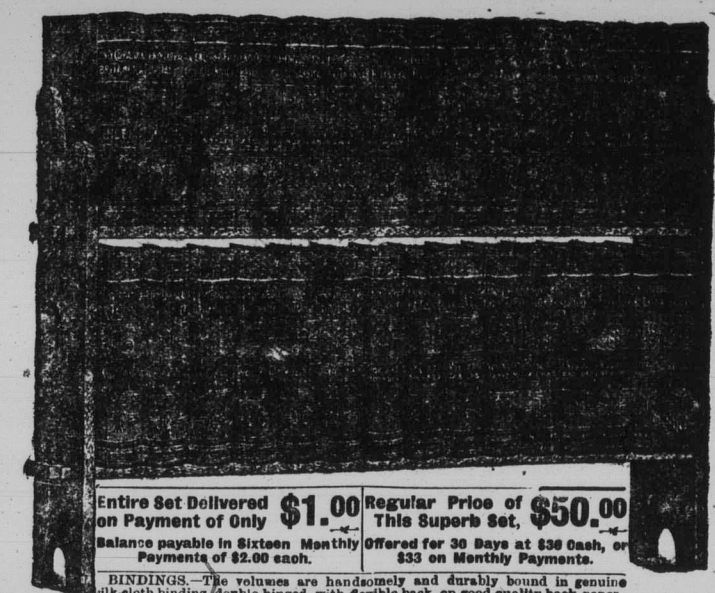
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