

... and Ephraim. "Why, the dearest bass you ever saw, was two turkey buzzards a yard of gutters, the paunch of a dead deer. If it didn't make the music come you kin shoot me."

A young quail is the latest novelty in natural history. One was caught in Riverhead, England, nine years ago, and it has been so successfully tamed that it will sing for any visitor, its notes being distinctly audible all over the house where it is kept.

Quite an extensive business is done by Belgians smuggling tobacco across the border into France by means of trained dogs, who are intelligent and swift-footed, and know precisely the use, routes and where to take the tobacco that is tied about them.

Canadian cattle exported to England are selling well. Some taken over a month or so ago by Mr. Gilman, of Beleville, realized \$160 a head. Canadian oxen were sold at six shillings per stone of eight pounds (and sink the oil) in the London market, being the same price as the best Scotch beef made.

The Archbishop of Canterbury recently presented himself at the entrance of the leading room in the British Museum, but he had forgotten his ticket, and, though several directors offered to vouch for him, the Superintendent refused to ignore his instructions and let him pass.

Mr. John Morrissey has been polite to the special correspondent of the London Times, who says concerning him: "I had the honor of being presented to him, and found him, like most really great men, very affable and unaffected. I say 'honor' advisedly, for I look upon him as one of the most stupendous products of New World civilization, much in ethics or politics what Niagara is in physics."

Some few years ago our fishermen threw away some of the fish sounds taken out of cod, haddock and hake; but recently there has been quite a demand for this part of the fish, especially those from hake, which are valuable for the manufacture of isinglass. It is said that some \$30,000 or \$40,000 per year is paid Nova Scotia fishermen by exporters of those sounds.

Mr. Angus Stewart, of the 8rdth concession, Nassagaweya, has lately met with several severe losses. About two weeks ago he lost a valuable horse through inflammation. A week after he lost another from some foot disease. The two other animals were valued at \$250. On Saturday last he met with another loss, having had several sheep destroyed by unknown dogs.

Capt. Boyton, the man with a swimming apparatus, has been for a long time unheard of. His latest feat was a recent attempt to swim down the river Po, from Turin to Venice, a distance requiring from seven to eight days. After eighty-six hours in the water fatigue induced a fever, which necessitated his landing and relinquishing the attempt.

James Heap, a tough old schoolmaster at Masham, Yorkshire, has just died at the age of eighty-four. He taught school at Colsterdale from December, 1822, to January, 1867, or for 2,292 consecutive weeks, never missing a day, and the distance each way being four miles, or nearly five times round the world. One third of each year he taught a Sunday school a place equally distant, bringing up his pedestrian accomplishments to 115,816 miles. Six months more would have made the distance he traversed equal to half that between the earth and the moon.

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A LONG FAST.

In December, 1871, I had a number of turkeys put in a barn to kill for Leadenhall Market, which were, as we thought, duly killed; when packing them we were one hen short. Every search was made, but it could not be found, and we consequently credited some one with a dinner at my expense. In this barn a quantity of sainfoin seed was standing in sacks, and when having this removed in February, 1872, the long-lost turkey was found among it. Strange to say, it had crept so far that it could not turn to come out, and was closely fixed in between three sacks, so it could not advance, and there it had existed fifty-two days. When lost it was fat, and weighed about eleven pounds, and when found it weighed four pounds. It was impossible for it to get any food or drink during this time. It could just stand, and was able to feed as soon as brought to the light and offered food. I nursed it carefully, and it regained its previous weight, lived about six months, laid a few eggs, and then wasted away.

A LONG SWIM.

After a week of duck hunting on the St. Clair Flats, Goff Stenton, Capt. Mott and J. E. Barber, with a spaniel dog owned by the last named, started in a sail boat on Friday afternoon to come to Detroit. When about three miles from the light house at the head of Detroit River, with the darkness of night shrouding the water, the men in the boat were startled by sudden and loud barking from the spaniel, and upon attempting to stop him were more surprised to see the dog with a long leap dash into the lake. Before the sail boat could be brought around to follow the canine he had been left in the darkness, and half an hour of loud calling failed to bring back the lost animal. Mr. Stenton and his companions finally resumed their trip home, feeling rather disconsolate over the loss, as they supposed, of Mr. Barber's dog, which is valued at \$100. Early Saturday morning Messrs. Stenton and Barber stood at the corner of Riopelle street and Jefferson avenue conversing, and while they stood there who should come bounding along but missing spaniel. The only explanation of his appearance is that he must have indulged in a swim of nearly four miles.

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