

Deer on Highway Thrill Easterner

"It I had only possessed a camera!" Such was the lament of a famous doctor who made a trip into the Molalla river country last week while attending the meeting of the American Medical association and had the thrill of seeing deer in the open.

"My host and I were driving along a mountain road when three deer walked out not 20 yards in advance of the car," said the doctor. "They were a doe and two small fawns. The little ones seemed unconcerned and were in no hurry to get to safe territory. Not so with the mother, however; she faced the car, jumped up in the air several times and at last convinced the youngsters that the brush was the place for them. She waited until they had leaped out of sight, and then two bounds and she was gone. I would enjoy having pictures of that scene to convince some easterners that all deer are not confined to parks and zoos."

Mutual Admiration

How to become an intellectual? Well, you call one of them a great thinker and then he calls you a great thinker, and there you are.—San Francisco Chronicle.

Deposit of Travertin Uncovered in Florida

An industry that flourished 2,000 years ago, and which continues to produce great wealth for Italy, is undergoing development in the United States. Extensive deposits of travertin in Manatee county, Florida, have furnished a new and unexpected source of supply. It was travertin that the Romans used in the Coliseum and other structures of ancient times which stand today in whole or in part. Wherever destruction has taken place it was the hand of man and not the elements that destroyed. In later centuries Italy's travertin quarries continue to supply stone for some of the great monuments of Rome, notably St. Peter's and other large churches. The medieval builders knew the beauty and wearing qualities of travertin no less than did the ancients. But travertin was a material used only in Italy and to a limited degree in the rest of Europe until the era of our great building began.—New York Times.

Sauerkraut Traced to Asiatic Wild Tribes

Sauerkraut, once an alien in this country, has been completely naturalized and adopted by the nation, as evidenced by the fact that the figures show that during the last year this nation made and consumed 18,000,000 gallons of sauerkraut. This represents a valuation of \$3,500,000. It is no longer looked upon as a dietary of a foreign land. While the Germans are given the credit of originating sauerkraut, the charge is not well founded. There is evidence that it has been made in Holland and in places from early times. One writer traces it to Asia, showing how the Tartars first passed on a sauerkraut recipe to the Slavic people of eastern Europe, who in turn gave it to the Germans. From Germany, it is conceded, the delicacy was brought here by immigrants, who as they increased in numbers spread its popularity as a food.

Find Throws New Light on Geology of Asia

Thirty dinosaurs, complete, were found in Mongolia's waste places, by Dr. Sven Hedin, the famous explorer. He declares that owing to the geological stratum in which the dinosaurs were found, the discovery fills a gap of millions of years in the knowledge of geological development, about which we have little information. Doctor Hedin's expedition included 60 Europeans, mostly Swedish, German, or Dutch. To reach the Crumch headquarters the expedition traversed the Gobi desert with 500 camels. This is the first time dinosaurs have been discovered in Asia. The discovery is highly significant, as it affords knowledge of geological development in Asia covering millions of years, about which we have little information. Doctor Hedin's expedition included 60 Europeans, mostly Swedish, German, or Dutch. To reach the Crumch headquarters the expedition traversed the Gobi desert with 500 camels.

BATTERY BOYS HAVING BIG TIME AT CASEY

Only Kicks Lack of Mail and No Time and a Half for Overtime.

PORT CASEY, Wash., July 16.—(Special.)—The movements of an army are supposed to be always exact to the minute, but they are directed and controlled by men, for which reason it is often impossible to obtain the expected machine-like precision. We retraced this year with as much bustling activity and enthusiasm as in previous years, however, we were leaving for a new camp about which we knew nothing and we didn't know just what to expect. About which we have little information. Doctor Hedin's expedition included 60 Europeans, mostly Swedish, German, or Dutch. To reach the Crumch headquarters the expedition traversed the Gobi desert with 500 camels.

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Marvelous Number of Nerve Cells in Brain

The piece of machinery which operates more like the brain than any other is the automatic telephone. The televox is more spectacular, but its work is limited. In the operation of the automatic telephone the selection is made in the same way—by a series of number signals rung, in succession, by a small contact point behind the telephone dial as it turns. But instead of the hundred separate signal combinations that the televox can understand, the telephone system has place for nearly ten billion. Yet even this vast sum the human brain exceeds. The number of living nerve cells in the surface gray matter of the brain is more than 9,000,000,000. If it be assumed that these can be connected to one another in the same fashion as telephone subscribers are—a proposition that experts agree is probably something like what happens during thinking—the number of possible interconnections would be about 90,000,000,000,000,000,000.

Regulating Climate

Just as in winter one opens his window to let in the cold air when the room is too warm, a Washington meteorologist suggests using the ice of the polar regions to regulate the earth's climate. This may be done by having international expeditions sail to the Arctic and Antarctic and blast huge chunks of ice from the glaciers. This would melt more icebergs into the ocean and would considerably moderate the heat of summer. Those icebergs which are naturally found in the North Atlantic have a beneficial effect on the climate of Europe, among other things preventing droughts. Similarly, Antarctic icebergs are of benefit to Australia.

Historic American Castle

Romance, war and ghostly legend hang over Bacon's castle, whose huge diamond-shaped chimneys are landmarks for miles around the eastern edge of Surrey county, in Virginia. One of the oldest buildings in the state, built in 1655, it is marvelously preserved. Because of the castle's proximity to Jamestown, and since it was in the track of rebels led by Nathaniel Bacon, Capt. Lawrence Baker was forced to fire from the castle during Bacon's rebellion of 1675-76. The castle was seized by young Bacon's followers and fortified, and since that time has borne the name Bacon's castle.

Guard Against Icebergs

The international ice patrol was organized on an international basis as a result of the international conference for safety of life at sea, in London, 1913. It resulted from a universal demand for a protection of steamships against icebergs in the North Atlantic area after the loss of the Titanic, in April, 1912. The United States was asked to undertake the management of this service, and agreed to send two vessels to patrol the danger area during icebergs season, March 1 to July 1. Each of the contracting parties consented to bear a share of the cost in proportion to its shipping tonnage.

Speechless

Little Bobby attended a military function at Culver, where guards in full regalia were standing about. His curiosity led him into attempted conversation with one of them, who, however, made no reply, but stood properly at attention, gazing at nothing under his hat with the military chin-strap. "Finally," Bobby, discouraged, remarked, "I dess he tant talk wid dat sing under his chin!"—Indianapolis News.

No Editorial Comment

When the Daily Courant, London's first successful daily newspaper appeared in 1702, it consisted of a single page of two columns and professed to give only foreign news. It assured its readers that it would not give any comments of its own, "supposing other people to have sense enough to make reflections for themselves." The Courant came to an end in 1755, when it was absorbed by the Daily Gazetteer.—Detroit News.

Religions of India

Of the 320,000,000 persons who inhabit India 68 out of every 100 are Hindus, 22 are Mohammedans, 3 Buddhists, 3 follow tribal religions, 1 is Christian, 1 Sikh. The other 2 are either Parsee, Jain or Jew.

Skunk Family

A civet cat is more correctly called the little striped skunk. It is smaller than the genuine skunk. The end hair is short, thick and dark. The top hair is silky and black with white stripes or patches. There is also a Chinese civet, belonging to the civet family. Its fur is heavy and quite silky, but the color varies and is spotted.

Mark of Obstacity

Won't is part of the vocabulary of a one-track mind. The "won't" person is stubborn, autocratic, and a nuisance. He is so narrow of vision that no one could get but himself, and tefi to one he is wrong.—Orlt.

Anaconda Largest and Most Vicious of Boas

The largest snake in modern times is the anaconda, an aquatic boa, living in the swamps and rivers of the dense forests of South America. It is of a general olive-brown color, with two alternating rows of large oval black spots down its back. It is white with black spots underneath. The anaconda lives in the water, but often climbs into the trees. It feeds on birds and mammals and does most of its hunting at night. Its method is to lie submerged under the water with just its head exposed, watching for prey, or to establish itself in the branches of some tree over water, or the trunk of a fallen log. As it belongs to the family, it coils around its victim, crushing it to a pulp before devouring it. It is the most ill-tempered of large boas.

Lightning Freak

One of the strangest of the many fantastic tricks lightning flashes play is the "fulgurite," which is sometimes found on the sands of a beach. It is a tube of a glassy substance, projecting above the ground like a stump of a bush. Beneath the sand it is often several feet long with many branches and twists, much like a root. It is caused by a direct stroke of lightning, the tremendous heat of which fuses the wet sand into a hollow glass tube. Another odd prank of lightning was the bolt which tore the clothes from a man's back without killing him. His perspiration apparently had been instantly transformed into steam by the mighty electric current. The miniature explosion blew off his clothing.

Rickets Old Disease

Rickets, the disease of childhood which deforms the bones, is thought by modern science to be caused by faulty nutrition and lack of sunlight. The latest recent discoveries show that the babies of primitive man, as well as those of the ancient dinosaurs and other extinct creatures, suffered as much from rickets as do young children of today. Egyptian mummies and the bones of early American Indians, as well as the primitive religious paintings, disclose the prevalence of the disease.—New York World.

Owe "Dallas" to War

The Civil war revolutionized the habits of the people, writes Warren F. Spalding in the Boston Transcript. All their movements, mental and physical, were quickened. Having had the news of the war day by day, they never returned to the old ways. The daily newspaper was the child of the Civil war. People became accustomed to news every day. They found that other things were interesting, and they must have the news about everything every day; the daily newspaper had become indispensable.

Hot Springs National Park

In 1832 the Hot Springs and four sections of land surrounding them were set aside by act of congress thus making the first national reservation in the United States. The name was changed from Hot Springs reservation to Hot Springs National park. It contains 924 acres and includes Hot Springs mountain, North mountain, West mountain, Sugar loaf mountain, and Whittington lake park. The springs are grouped about the base of Hot Springs mountain, and their aggregate flow is 851,308 gallons a day.

Music in the Ant Hill

Perhaps it requires a stretch of the imagination to picture an ant playing the violin. Yet certain varieties of tiny creatures come close to doing that very thing. Nor do they have to manufacture the music-producing instrument. Nature has provided them with a finely-edged lute fastened to the abdomen and a plectrum, or sounding board, so conveniently placed that by rasping the surface the ants can produce exceedingly delicate and high-pitched musical notes.

The Fall of Man

The sermon had been about the Fall of Man. Two farmers met at the end of the service. "Weel, Davvit," asked Tammas, "and what did ye think of the sermon?" "Oh," Davvit replied, "the sermon was a'richt, but I was just thinkin' that a difference it wud have made to the better, if the world if I'd been in Adam's place. Ye see, I dinna gie a bang for apples." — Birmingham (England) Weekly Post.

Historic Chapel

Although the present building of St. Bartholomew's hospital in London is comparatively modern, the hospital patients still use the beautiful old Norman chapel, the only part of the ancient hospital that remains. It is one of the earliest Norman churches in existence, the work of Bishop Gundulf, bishop of Rochester from 1077 to 1109.

Pet Elephants Dangerous

The most dangerous elephants in captivity, it has been said, are those which have been brought up as pets from infancy. They become dangerous because they come to realize the superiority of their strength over their masters.

Lover's Good Qualities Had Been Well Tested

The maid had been hinting that she did not think much of service, and this, in connection with the nightly appearance of a rather sheepish-looking young man, caused her mistress some apprehension. "Martha, is it possible you are thinking of getting married?" said her mistress. "Yes, ma'am," admitted Martha. "Not to that young fellow who has been calling on you lately?" "Yes, ma'am, he's the one." "But you've only known him a few days." "Three weeks come Thursday," corrected Martha.

Grasshopper as Food

According to the bureau of American ethnology, grasshoppers played an important part in the diet of many American Indian tribes, especially on the Pacific coast and in the arid regions of the West. Even the Pawnees, during the winter season, would dig a hole in the prairie and then start a fire around it at a distance of several hundred yards. The grasshoppers could be scooped from the hole by the push.

Working on 61

The man who thinks he is too old to work at sixty-one might profit by the example of Halley, the great English astronomer who discovered the comet. When Halley was sixty-four years old he made up his mind to observe the moon through a complete revolution of her nodes—a task which required 18 years. His friends remonstrated with him for undertaking so long and serious a task, but as sometimes happens with our English friends, he thought his own ideas much better. He proceeded to prove this by living and completing his task, and then lived several more years and did several more pieces of work to boot.—Detroit Free Press.

Gigantic Statuary

The measurements of the Sphinx are: Height of head from bottom of chin to forehead, 19 feet; horizontal diameter on level of forehead, 23 feet; circumference at level of forehead, 72 feet; horizontal diameter near broadest part of head, 29 feet; height of neck, five feet; horizontal diameter, 22 feet; circumference of neck, 69 feet; total height of monument, according to Mariette Bey, 65 feet; ear, 3 feet 15 inches; nose, 5 feet 10 inches; mouth, 7 feet 8 inches; face in widest part across the cheek, 15 feet; whole length of body, 140 feet; outstretched paws, 50 feet.

Where Turpin Tarried

On the Great North road, in England, stands a very ancient and historical inn, known as the "Eight Bells," and this inn is the cause of much disturbance amongst the inhabitants, because of the likelihood of its being closed down. This old inn has many interesting historical facts attached to it, and, amongst others, Dick Turpin is said to have made frequent calls at the "Eight Bells." During his famous ride to Andover and York. Another famous writer, according to local report, was Bill Sikes.

Man of Proper Training

Give me a man so trained in mind that his body is the ready servant of his will, and does with ease and pleasure all the work that, as a mechanism, it is capable of.—Thomas H. Huxley.

Monument Moved

The sway of the Washington monument is rendered perceptible by a copper wire 174 feet long hanging in the center of the structure and carrying a plummet suspended in a vessel of water. At noon in summer the apex of the monument, 550 feet above ground, is shifted by expansion of the stone a few one-hundredths of an inch toward the north.

Snake Breeding

Many snakes lay eggs, but in most venomous ones and many of the commonest species are viviparous. The young are ready to take care of themselves as soon as they leave the egg, but are usually protected for a time by the mother.

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