

# MANY GOOD TRAITS OF WILD ANIMALS

## Keeper of Twenty Years' Experience Tells About What He Learned From Sagacious Beasts of Jungle and Plain.

"My lot has thrown me among wild animals since I was 18 years old," said the animal keeper as he pushed the tobacco down his cob pipe. "I am now over 40, and I do not regret that my life has been so spent.

are set up like an opera singer, with a deep voice, and have the best-shaped heads and features of all the jungle beasts. They certainly fill the bill for good looks. Most people think that they are wonderfully courageous. I have my ideas about that, and they do not favor the lion. His leading trait, as I have found it, is vanity. The top of his head is flat, which means that he would get a medal as a church member. You will notice his eyes are rather full and round. His lips run to a curl instead of a straight cut, and the under side of his face runs more to whickers than bone. His neck is round and shapely, his hair thick, and his gait makes you think of stage people.



AFRICAN LION POSING FOR HIS PHOTOGRAPH.

animals—further than a club or hook. They can tell from its sound whether it comes from a strong or weak character.

"Only this last winter one of my men got in trouble and wears a bad scar because a previously well-behaved tigress caught that something in his voice which told that he would weaken if put to a hard test. The tigress was grumpy about something, and the keeper hit her on the nose, which made the crochety lady worse, and she leaped at him, but missed. He struck at her again, and she growled fiercely and fixed for another spring. Here's where the keeper weakened, as his quivering voice plainly told, and she drove at him like a catapult. One of the boys outside pushed the door open and dragged the keeper out, while another boy smashed the furious tigress with a hay fork over the right leg.

"What does this all mean? It means that he is sensitive and vain, and is easily made glad or mad. His growl has no more danger in it than the bark of a dog. Of course, if the beast were starving, or somebody should make an attack while there were tight-eyed babies in the family, something would be done.

"The tiger has more temper than sense. He is a suspicious fellow and always looking out of the corner of his eye as if he thought some one was trying to impose upon him. When he has no family care and is fed regularly he is a fairly decent fellow. That is, he does not make much of a racket, nor scrap with his fellows, but squats amiably in a corner of his den. He has not a bad streak in him, though, like some miserably born people, and you cannot bank on him long. His head is a big box, but it does not seem to have much in it to give him judgment. If he were to cut his foot on a piece of broken glass he would fly into a fierce rage as if a javelin had pierced his haunches, and like as not would try to take a piece



THE ROYAL BENGAL TIGER IS NEVER TAMED.

30 minutes, reading a paper just as if nothing had happened, and before I stepped out I said good-bye and patted the beast affectionately on the forehead.

**Tricks of Animals.**

"Wild animals differ in traits, as do human beings, and to the practiced eye these traits may be known. They may act a little and try to fool the observer, but they have no tricks that mislead a man who knows them. Every type of animal has some leading trait that marks his tribe and makes him an interesting study to me. Take the monkey, for instance. Now, this odd freak of an animal is generally supposed to spend his days and nights in thinking up mischief, which arises from the habit of curiously going after everything he sees and wanting to put it in his mouth, just as a baby does. After he gets the thing and fools with it, child-like, for a time, he drops it and it is forgotten. If he gets a pain or has a plaything taken away from him, he whimpers, cries and makes a face that would stir up the hardest heart with sympathy.

"Lions are still better actors! They

out of a brass image if it stood within reach.

**Elephant is Affectionate.**

"The elephant is a big bundle of affection, and in this respect I think has the horse and dog outclassed. He is as obedient as a child, and fairly feeds on small kindly attentions. He will cry when punished by some one he loves, and the cry is of the kind that kind producer big round tears. He has something of a woman's nature, in taking sudden likes and dislikes to people, and by this same token is passionately fond of children. A child can walk all around and among a herd of elephants without receiving the slightest hurt.

"In the Ringling herd there are 40 of the pachyderms, and every one of them is really foolish, as they say, over Baby Boo. This pudgy little elephant is all swelled up because of these attentions and gives me a lot of study to keep the kid from growing up careless and useless.

**Hyena is a Feelsist.**

"Most people have a bad word for the hyena. That is because he is a peculiar beast, almost sulky. He won't mix

with other animals, and he acts as if he had little use for the human family. The hyena is the most restless beast I know. He has no feeling, and he will hunt him to fit his surroundings and stop worrying.

"The beasts are homely, seemingly coked up with bad feeling toward everybody and their own uncomfortable nature, and simply see that their house is kept clean and their food is passed up regularly. They take cold easily, and seem to wear down to skin and bones, as if from discontent.

**Wolves are Not Polite.**

"The llama is a good looking animal, with shapely neck, tender eyes and long curling hair. It is particular about its appearance and spends a lot of time in combing and preening up. But it is not a very polite beast. It has the unpleasant habit of spitting at people it doesn't like. A Sunday or two ago I spat in the ear of a clergyman who was visiting the menagerie quarters. I have tried to make the animals overcome this habit, but so far have not succeeded.

**Sensitive Animals.**

"The seal and the tapir are inoffensive animals and very sensitive. They act most of the time as if they were home-sick, and shed tears like a baby. The tapir spends hours sitting on his hind-quarters like a dog, swinging from side to side and moaning gently. The only comfort one can give him is to scratch his side and pat him.

"The camel has the spitting habit also, but never does it so badly as the tapir. It is over the fussy about his young, as is the tapir, and both of them will kiss and rub their little ones for hours at a time. The hippopotamus is all appetite. He is good-natured, too, like most overfed people, and in his rough way is something of a joker. A new helper found this out by making believe to throw bran balls into the wide open mouth of the trusting hippo and then pulling the bran back to him. The hippo shut up. Mr. Hippo didn't like this very much, and lay down flat on the platform as if he cared for none of it; finally the keeper began rubbing his nose with the savory stuff in a tantalizing way, and waiting his chance, the hippo grabbed the hand with the bran ball and held it tightly for a few minutes. Then he slipped down into the tank, and the bubbles that danced over the top of the water showed that the hippo was having a good laugh.

"The rhinoceros is a dumpy kind of an animal with a scraping squeak. It is not sociable in any way, and keeps to itself. It is not a very heavy eater, and never sleeps long at a time.

"Bears are dull and treacherous. They will smash at you and bite at you when in distemper, and that generally comes from over eating, which is their besetting sin."

**NEWS OF ST. JOHNS IN PARAGRAPHS**

The Women's Civic Improvement league has had a neat fence erected round St. Johns park at the end of the car line, and the fence is now being painted. The park has been cleaned up and the women have had placed the several comfortable seats recently presented to them by the City & Suburban. The unsightly old car barns are shortly to be removed from this point and the improvements made by the women will show to good advantage. As soon as the rainy season sets in the park will be planted to flowers and shrubs by the improvement club.

President Thomas McCusker and Col. L. H. Hawkins, the judges chosen by the Portland Civic Improvement association were here yesterday inspecting the many pretty gardens for the purpose of awarding the prizes offered the citizens of St. Johns by Harry L. Powers for the best kept lawn, the neatest back yard and the handsomest flowers and shrubs. The different prizes amounted to \$150 in cash.

E. F. Monahan, son of Councilman Thomas Monahan, who was recently operated on for appendicitis at the North Pacific sanitarium, Portland, was brought to his home here Friday very much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Isaacson of Denver, Colo., who have been visiting relatives here have decided to locate here permanently. Mr. Isaacson has secured a position in the O. R. & N. office and the young people will build a home in St. Johns park.

Mrs. John Swanson and children of Oregon, Utah, are visiting her brother, F. A. Smith, and family.

Mrs. Josephine Hurst of Denver, Colo., who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. E. T. Stockton, has returned to her eastern home.

## PORTLAND IS AFTER TWO BIG PRIZES

The effort to bring the next meetings of the trans-Mississippi congress and the national irrigation congress to Portland has been enlarged upon to the extent of endeavoring securing for this city the office of president of both organizations. The convention and the presidency naturally go together in these movements, since it is regarded as most necessary that the city which is to entertain a congress shall be the home of its chief officer and promoter. A plan is in the hands of the Portland Commercial club and the Lewis and Clark fair board to secure two Portland men who are fitted for the two positions and secure their election at the trans-Mississippi meeting in St. Louis in October, and the irrigation congress at El Paso in November, at which events it will be sought to have Portland named as the place of next meeting for these two bodies.

It is understood that two Portland men have been selected, but have not yet been conferred with and the announcement of their names awaits their acceptance.

**PROGRAM OF TODAY'S CONCERT AT PARK**

Brown's Military band will give their regular Sunday afternoon concert at the City park today, the program commencing at 2:30 o'clock. The offerings are popular and classical, descriptive pieces will receive special attention. The program is:

March—"Legion of Honor".... Buglione  
Waltzes—"Tales from Vienna Woods"..... Strauss  
Overture—"Rosamunde"..... Franz Schubert  
Habanera—"Escamillo"..... Redia  
Gems for "The Strikers"..... Chopin  
Intermission  
Serenade—"Alia Stella Confidante".....  
..... Robaudi  
Scenes from the "Bohemian Girl"..... Balfe  
(a) Intermezzo—"Cavalleria Rusticana"..... Mascagni  
(b) Minuet—"Celebrated"..... Paderewski  
Excerpts from "The Strangers".....  
..... Engländer  
Two-step—"Prince Henry"..... Ellenberg  
Charles L. Brown, Conductor.

## SAYS CELILO FALLS HAVE GREAT POWER

F. A. Ballin, the naval architect, has returned from Celilo, where he put in an electric power plant that will be used to operate a cold storage plant.

"At Mr. Taffe's place is the largest quantity of unused waterpower in the northwest," says Mr. Ballin. "With the proper development, 100-horsepower can be obtained there in a short time. For nine months in the year the average height of the falls is 22 feet, and it is only during the winter season that it will be impossible to use the power. At that time steam power will be utilized, as is the case at Oregon City. It is surprising that big manufacturing enterprises are not established there."

## UNDER SERIOUS CHARGE

William Fox, charged with robbing the telephone box of the saloon run by E. B. Long, was arraigned before Municipal Judge Hogue yesterday. He entered a plea of not guilty and the case was continued. He was arrested Friday night by Detective Hartman. He is the third man to be taken on the same charge. One was released and the other held to the grand jury.

## BIG PLANT WILL PRODUCE SHINGLES

TRACT OF LAND IS SECURED BY PROMOTERS OF NEW CONCERN ON WHICH TO BUILD—WILL BE FITTED WITH THE MOST MODERN MACHINERY.

One of the largest and most modern shingle mills on the Pacific coast is to be built on a 15-acre tract of ground just purchased for \$15,000 by the Olsen Lumber & Shingle company from Russell & Blyth. The ground lies below the Portland Flouring mills and has a frontage of 600 feet on the Willamette river, beginning at the bluff by the University building. There is also included 1,150 feet of Moch's slough, extending to the Oregon Railway & Navigation company's St. John spur.

M. Olsen, the well known shingle manufacturer, is to be the general manager of the new mill, and construction of the plant will be commenced at once. It will have a daily capacity of 250,000 shingles and will give steady employment to 30 men. Contracts for construction of the buildings, and for a dock 180x100 feet, for ocean shipments, have already been let, and work will be commenced by the contractors tomorrow morning. Orders for the machinery are given, and it is said, that with no had luck the mill will be completed and manufacturing shingles within 90 days. The company has enough cedar logs now on hand and secured to manufacture 50,000,000 shingles.

The site secured is ideal for shingle and lumber manufacturing, as it has complete shipping and storage facilities, and is ample in extent. The main building will be 49x78 feet and will contain the necessary log-jack, drag-saw, power quartering machine, knotholer, challenger, improved 10-horse shingle machine, and hand machine, together with shafting, conveyors and like equipment. There will also be a powerhouse 30x50 feet, containing two 25-horsepower boilers, and a 125-horsepower engine. There will be a double dry kiln, 31x105 feet, equipped with the most modern system of piping and with two roller bearing steel trucks.

The whole plant will be lighted by the company's own electric lighting plant. Nothing will be spared to make the new institution the most modern and economical in operation of its kind on the coast, with every convenience for easy handling and reduction of the log to the finished product.

## POLICE FORCE IS BEHIND TIMES

HAS NOT KEPT PACE WITH THE GROWTH OF THE CITY—FIRE DEPARTMENT IS BETTER EQUIPPED—EXACT HISTORY OF THE FORCE.

Although Portland as a city has experienced remarkable growth since 1871, its police and fire departments have not kept pace with it. When the police force was organized in 1871 and J. H. Lappeus appointed chief, he had nine men, and they were enough, but after all these years, with a population of about 125,000, the department has only 70 patrolmen, some of whom work as plain clothes men, and six detectives, aside from the captains, jailers and drivers.

In 1883 the paid fire department was established. It had 20 permanent and 40 call members; four engines, one hose and one truck. Today it has 159 permanent members, eight engines, four trucks, four hose and four chemical companies.

The police department has had 13 chiefs since its organization, while the fire department has had seven. Lappeus was the first police chief and Thomas A. Jordan the first fire chief. Lappeus served from 1871 to 1873 and from 1880 to 1883, and Jordan served from 1883 to 1884.

**Penoyer Regime.**

Chief Lappeus served 10 years—a longer term than any of his successors. During the Penoyer regime—1896 to 1898—there were four police chiefs appointed. It was the stormiest time the department has ever seen. The first man to tackle the job was L. W. Roberts. He lasted five months, and in his stead John Myers reigned. That individual got all he wanted of the position in three months, and left the office. He was followed by Charles H. Hunt, who was appointed from the ranks. Ten months sufficed him, and Mike Clohessey took charge and served during the rest of the term.

Leandro Besser served as police chief from 1878 to 1880, W. H. Watkins from 1883 to 1884, Sam Parrish from 1884 to 1892, E. W. Spencer from the end of the Parrish regime for four months, and then Charles H. Hunt served two years. He was relieved by John W. Minto. Then came the Penoyer administration. From 1898 to 1903 Dan H. McLaughlin was at the head of the department, when he was relieved by Chief Hunt, who now has charge.

**Fewer Fire Chiefs.**

The fire department has had a less strenuous existence, and has not been before the public so much as the police department. It has had but seven chiefs, and David Campbell, its present head, has served longer than any of them. Jordan was the first chief, and then came Harry Morgan, who served one year; Robert Holman, who served one; Joseph Buchtel, who served two; David Campbell, who served one and T. De Boest, who served under Penoyer. After the expiration of De Boest's term Campbell was reappointed.

Both the police and fire departments are regarded as being in better condition now than at any previous time, but neither have sufficient men and apparatus to handle the situation properly.

**Police Have a Wagon.**

The only new features of the police force since its organization are the patrol wagon, the report system and the mounted officers. White gloves have been added to the uniform of the men on the down town beats, and they will soon march with clubs dangling in their right hands.

The fire department cannot boast of much new apparatus, although there were no chemicals when the department was first organized. There were but

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### SWEDISH DOCTOR WILL LECTURE HERE SOON

Dr. F. Waldenstrom of Stockholm, Sweden, will lecture in the Swedish language at Taylor street Methodist church at 8 o'clock Wednesday evening. Dr. Waldenstrom is one of the most learned men in Europe. He is pastor of the mission church of Stockholm and is at the head of the denomination in Sweden. His rank in the University of Upsala is Lector, equivalent to the lecturers in our universities who rank above the professors. He has been a member of the legislature and is a warm personal friend of the king of Sweden. This is Dr. Waldenstrom's third trip to America.

Dr. Waldenstrom has visited Portland before and is always a guest of Dr. W. T. Eisen. After visiting a Chinese theatre on his last visit here Dr. Waldenstrom said: "Tell me, are we in an insane asylum or are we in hell!"

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