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THE ANTS TALKED.

How a Naturalist Proved They Conversed with Each Other.

It is becoming the general belief among naturalists that all living creatures have some communication with each other, at least to the extent of making their wants, fears, etc., known to others of their species. A writer on ants recently investigated the matter as far as those interesting little insects are concerned. He saw a drove of ants of a small black variety, which were apparently moving to new quarters, those going in a certain direction all carrying eggs or sick and helpless relatives, while those moving in the opposite direction appeared to have just deposited their burdens and to be returning for another load of "household effects."

They were probably pretty well along with their work, judging by the leisurely way in which they would frequently put their heads together, as though chatting about their new quarters, or some other interesting subject. It being a question in the naturalist's mind whether they were really talking or not, he hit on the expedient of murdering one of their number to see if the others would run and tell what had happened. He says: "The eye-witnesses of the murder hastened away and laid their heads together with every ant they met, whereupon all would turn and scamper away. . . . No more ants passed along that path during the day."

GUNPOWDER IN EARLY DAYS.

Was Possibly Used in Warfare Before the Beginning of History.

People outside of military life who have no connection with the making of gunpowder know it only as a coarse black powder like black sand, which will flash off with a loud report if shut up in a case of any kind, and set on fire.

It is a very queer mixture, made up of three simple and well-known substances, no one of which will explode, although two will burn, says Lieut. John M. Ellicott in St. Nicholas. Nobody knows when or how it was discovered, for as far back into the dark ages as records or tradition will carry us, we find that gunpowder, though not used for guns, was known. It was, no doubt, looked upon with awe and fear by the ancients on account of its flame, its noise, and its rending force; but their limited mechanical skill could suggest very little use for it.

Possibly it was used in warfare long before the beginning of history; but the first man in historical times to form an idea of the terrible destruction which this awful, bursting, fiery substance might produce was an English monk named Roger Bacon. Monks, in his day, were the chemists, scholars and writers of the world; and this Roger Bacon traveled and studied much, and made continual experiments in his laboratory to prove for himself and to develop what he learned from others. He probably saw gunpowder among the Moors in Spain, and tried for himself its explosive effect. Then he wrote of its composition in the year 1267, and in his writing suggested that it could be used in engines of war to deal death and destruction to armies of men.

Soon after Roger Bacon's time his suggestions were taken up and guns were constructed first by binding iron bars together with hoops to form a tube, then by casting a tube out of brass, with one end closed. Stones of suitable size were selected as shot, and the powder had to be carried around in chests or barrels and shoveled into the muzzles of the guns, the stones being rolled in after it. In spite of these drawbacks very large guns were built, for there was one used by Mahomet II. against the Greeks at the siege of Constantinople in 1453 which threw a stone weighing 600 pounds a distance of one mile.

RELICS UNEARTHED.

An Interesting Find in the Harvard College Grounds.

Students of antiquity at Harvard college and many everyday philosophers are interested in a find unearthed within a few days on the college grounds, old Cambridge, says the Boston Globe.

On the site of some of the old buildings, being removed to widen the square, newspapers of the year 1800 and copper coins have been found. One of the tattered newspapers bears date of July 8, 1800, and the word "Telegraphe" on the title page. Another paper bears date of August 11, 1800, and the word "Constitution" or "Constitutional" at the top of the first page. The papers are badly discolored from age and exposure.

Some believe that the paper bearing the word Telegraphe was an early issue of the Boston Daily Telegraph, which is preserved in the Harvard college library as far back as 1824. The typography of the papers is in the style of the period of their publication, and quite representative in the matter of advertisements of the early business life and conditions in Boston. Politics are discussed with almost as much energy as the present day. As an instance, reference is made to Hamilton and Jefferson, the former being referred to in such elegant terms as "A notorious Jacobin, alias Democrat, alias Republican."

The eight coppers found have found a place with the other relics of the Harvard college library.

Peculiar Source of [illegible] Caused by the Measuring Process.

It is a commonly-accepted theory that a man steps three feet, and many a tract of land has been "stepped off" instead of measured with a chain, says the Washington Star. In the west they obviate the difficulties of surveys by the land being divided into sections, but in Pennsylvania much of the property, especially in the mountains, must still be described by metes and bounds.

In one of the counties in western Pennsylvania are two brothers, one of whom is tall and lank and the other short and fat. Many years ago they purchased a tract of mountain land calling for a mile square. They divided the labor of measuring it, one stepping off one side, the other the other side. Then they fenced it in and were perfectly satisfied until recently, when suit was brought to recover a considerable tract of land. Each brother swore that he knew the measurement to be right and told how it had been done. Then, as the spectators saw the short legs of the one, scarcely long enough to reach the floor when he sat in a chair, and the elongated extremities of the other, there was a general laugh, in which the judge and attorney joined. Upon surveying it was found that one line was a mile and a half long and the other only a little over half a mile.

LOCAL SQUIBS.

Who said "fish?"

Bring on your "shells;" there are people in Heppner who will go against them.

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T.-M: A band of sheep that has been quarantined above The Dalles the past 60 days was taken across the river into Washington to-day. The sheep are owned in Washington and were brought over here to winter. It is probably the only band that will be taken across the river to summer this season.

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They do say that L. H. McMahan, a well known populist reformer, who lives at Salem, has gone to Europe on some of "Old Corbett's Money." Other men have gone to Washington on it but only McMahan has gone to Europe. The men that Corbett has "hired" to further his cause are men of enormous capacity—pocket his money and give him no value for it.—East Oregonian.

Walt. Thompson runs stage between Heppner and Monument, arriving every day except Monday and leaving every day except Sunday. Shortest and cheapest route to the interior. E. J. Slocum agent.

E. O.: William Kirk, of Heppner has arrived in Pendleton and taken a position with James Crawford in the latter's harness shop.

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Oscar Borg was thrown off a horse Thursday last and though bruised some was not badly hurt.

Every new subscriber of the Gazette from this date, May 25, 1897, will receive as a premium a book worth alone the price of the subscription. tf

Last week M. C. Maris sold eleven head of Shorthorn cattle to John Powell, of Baker Co. Oscar Minor also added four head more of thoroughbreds, while Dan Stalter got off eleven head of grades. Mr. Maris also sold four head of Shorthorns to J. G. Noble, of Crook county cleaning up his herd of thoroughbreds.

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W. Gribble and Clate Hinton were in from the John Day last week, but have gone home to assist Henry Blackwell in taking 800 head of cattle to Huntington. They expected to get there by June 25 h.

A good bicycle, suitable for either lady or gentleman, in fine repair, new pneumatic tires, for sale cheap at Gilliam & Bisbee's. tf

A school house is being erected in the Dexter neighborhood.

The length of life may be increased by lessening dangers. The majority of people die from lung troubles. These may be averted by promptly using One Minute Cough Cure. Conser & Brock

Rev. Hermann Lind, a Swedish Lutheran pastor, and J. E. Peterson, of Gooseberry, were in town Friday soliciting funds with which to erect a church in the Gooseberry section

The Gazette will take either county, city or school script on account at face value and pay cash for balance, if any.

Lone Rock stage leaves Heppner at 7 o'clock, a. m., Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays; arrives at 6 o'clock, p. m., Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Will make connection with branch train when desired. Fare $2, each way. Freight ½ cent per pound. J. H Bellenbrock, Prop. Office at Harry Warren's drug store. tf.

One of the best and neatest pieces of residence property in Heppner will be sold here on the 26th inst. It is known as the Nordyke place and is situated near Tom Morgan's—nearly every person in Heppner knows where to find it. There is an acre and one-third in fruit trees and garden, and the buildings are of excellent character. Go see it. tf

For Sale or Trade.

If you want Heppner property don't fail to consult J. W. Morrow. For the right person, one who wants to garden, milk a few cows, raise chickens, etc., I have a fine proposition to offer one. Once developed will produce revenue of $1200 yearly. Will be sold on easy terms, would not object to taking 160 acres as part payment. 523 tf

The brand new ad. of the brand new drug store, E. J. Slocum, Manager, is in this issue. b

OLDEST KNOWN BIRD.

Prof. F. G. Seeley Tells of It in a Recent Publication.

"The Solenhofen slate of Bavaria," writes Prof. H. G. Seely in his recent little volume, "The Story of the Earth in Past Ages," "makes known numerous insects and other forms of terrestrial life of this period, including the oldest known bird.

"A bird is known by its feathers; though there is no reason why the covering to the skin should not be as variable in this group of animals as among reptiles or mammals. It is, therefore, remarkable that the oldest-known bird, the archaeopteryx, has feathers as well developed as in the existing representatives of the class and similarly arranged. The animal is an elegant, slender bird, which is chiefly remarkable for showing teeth in the jaws. About 12, short and conical, occur on each side of the upper jaw.

"The bird was larger than the robin in its body and had a tail of which there was a bony core some six inches in length. The wings were quite as well developed as the legs and there are some evidences that the former could be applied to the ground as are the fore legs of quadrupeds, although the feathers show the wings to have been constructed on the same plan as the birds of to-day.

"The Solenhofen stone, in which so many of the remains of fishes, reptiles and insects are found, is the same as that used for lithographic purposes, being of exceeding close texture and of remarkable smoothness when prepared for its work."

SHE WAS SHY ONE TURK.

Protest of an Audience Against Bernhardt's Loss of a Servant.

Sarah Bernhardt was once playing at Marseilles in a spectacular play in which she made her entree accompanied by six Turkish slaves. A line on the programme announced that these six Turks would accompany Mme. Bernhardt, but when the time came for them to go on one of the youngsters had disappeared. Sarah mustered the five in order, says the New York Evening Sun, and made her entrance with a grand flourish. The house was crowded, but not a handclap greeted her as she appeared. Then a still, small voice in the gallery murmured something in an indignant tone. Fifty voices immediately took up the strain, and in ten seconds more the whole house was shouting the same phrase. Bernhardt strained every nerve to catch what they were complaining about. She knew the phrase began with "Manque," but the rest of it was lost in the general hubbub. For a full minute the tumult continued. Then Sarah, muttering things below her breath, rushed like a fury down to the footlights. In the front row the actress had spotted one man who was not taking part in the hullabaloo. Pointing at him, the actress exclaimed, sternly: "You seem to be the only sensible person in this house. Tell me what on earth they are kicking up this row for?" The man rose, bowed to the actress, and remarked, in very bad American-French: "Madam, you are shy one Turk."

DISINFECTION OF THE SKIN.

Soap and Water Does Not Remove All the Impurities.

The New York Herald's European edition reports some interesting experiments of M. Lauenstein, a Hamburg physisian, upon the disinfection of the skin.

It is generally supposed that a little soap and water will remove all impurities from the skin. But these experiments of M. Lauenstein prove that it is by no means easy to disinfect it, even "by minute washings and the most severe antiseptic applications."

In 147 operations he first removed a small piece of epidermis; 23 of these cases had merely been washed with water, whereas the remaining 124 had had the operative field disinfected with ether, alcohol and solutions of sublimate of chlorine. The little pieces of skin taken from the latter and tested by the usual methods of culture were found to be exempt from germs in 49 cases only.

The practical conclusion to be drawn from these experiments is that disinfection of the skin is difficult to realize, that a quantity of baths must be given and that too many precautions cannot be taken and no detail is superfluous.

As regards hospital practice M. Lauenstein's experiments show that it is far preferable not to operate on patients as soon as they are admitted, but only when they have been subjected to repeated and thorough cleansing and disinfection. For greater security it is advised to have a series of washings with soap and of frictions with alcohol, ether, corbolic acid and sublimate, the portion of the body to be treated being protected during each seance by a fresh antiseptic dressing—as the only security against fresh microbian contamination.

KIPLING'S INK SLINGING.

One Peculiarity of the Great Story Writer While at Work.

There is one peculiarity of Kipling's work, says a writer in McClure's Magazine, which I really must mention—namely, the amount of ink he used to throw about. In the heat of summer, white cotton trousers and a thin vest constituted his office attire, and by the day's end he was spotted all over like a Dalmation dog. He had a habit of dipping his pen frequently and deep into the inkpot, and as all his movements were abrupt, almost jerky, the ink used to fly. When he darted into my room, as he used to do about one thing or another in connection with the contents of the paper a dozen times in the morning, I had to shout to him to "stand off;" otherwise, as I knew by experience, the abrupt halt he would make and the flourish with which he placed the proof in his hand before me, would send the penful of ink—he always had a full pen in his hand—flying over me. Driving or sometimes walking home to breakfast in his light attire plentifully besprinkled with ink, his spectacled face peeping out under an enormous mushroom-shaped pith hat, Kipling was a quaint-looking object. That was in hot weather, when Lahore lay blistering month after month under the sun, and every white woman and half of the white men had fled to cooler altitudes in the Himalayas, and only those men were left who, like Kipling and myself, had to stay. So it mattered little in what costume we went to and from the office. In the winter, when "society" had returned to Lahore, Kipling was rather scrupulous in the matter of dress, but his lavishness in the matter of ink charged pens with the enemy.

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Timber Culture--Final Proof.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE,
The Dalles, Oregon, April 27th, 1897.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT JOHN Corbet, of Lewisburg, Ohio, has filed notice of intention to make final proof before J. W. Morrow, County Clerk, at his office in Heppner, Oregon, on Saturday the 12th day of June, 1897, on timber culture application No 2915, for the S½ SW¼ NW¼ SW¼ and SW¼ NW¼ of Section No 24, in Township No 1 South, Range No 24 East.

He names as witnesses: French Burroughs, of Heppner, Oregon, John Ritchie, John Jordan and Oscar Mitchell all of Ione, Oregon

540-51 JAS. F. MOORE, Register.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE firm of Downer & Swann, composed of D. C. Downer and Emmett Swann, and doing general house, sign and ornamental painting in the town of Heppner, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent, Emmett Swann having disposed of his interest to D. C. Downer who will continue business at the same location, collect all accounts and pay all bills contracted by the above firm.

D. C. DOWNER.
EMMETT SWANN.

Dated at Heppner, Oregon, this 2nd day of April 1897. 321f

THE BOSS FEED YARD.—The first feed yard the teamster strikes in Heppner is that conducted by William Gordon, next door to the Heppner Gazette ranch. Mr. Gordon is accommodating, has a good yard and abundant facilities to take care of stock in first class shape. His prices are very reasonable. He has hay and grain for sale. Has lately added *a car load of baled timothy.* tf.

George Hufford has some fine half bred Cotswell bucks, out of Merino ewes which he wishes to sell at reasonable figures. Call on him at the Cass Matlock ranch, or address him at Heppner. 5 f

The Gazette will take potatoes, apples, eggs or butter on subscription accounts. Any one owing this office can settle their accounts in this manner and can't do it too soon to suit us.

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NOTICE.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Notice is hereby given that an annual meeting of the stockholders of the Farmers Warehouse company of Ione will be held at the office of said company in Ione, Oregon, on Saturday, the 5th day of June, 1897, at 1 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing directors and for such othe business as may be legally transacted by them.

M. J. WILLIAMS,
President.

Done at Ione, this 27th day of April, 1897.
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Notice Of Intention.

LAND OFFICE AT LA GRANDE, OREGON,
May 20th 1897.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before County Clerk, Morrow County, Oregon, at Heppner, Oregon, on July 3rd 1897, viz:

ANNIE WILLIAMS, formerly ANNIE CRUMP,

T. No. 2256 for the N½ NE¼ & N½ NW¼ Sec. 22 Tp. 1 S R 27 E W M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Robert F Hynd, William B. Barratt, John Williams and Elmer Gentry, all of Heppner, Oregon,

B. F. WILSON,
546-58 Register.

ASSIGNEE'S NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN BY THE UNdersigned assignee of G D Fell and W. P. Fell, insolvent debtors, that said assignee has filed his final and supplemental account as such assignee, with the clerk of the circuit court of the state of Oregon for Morrow county, and said account will be heard and passed upon by the judge of said court on the 6th day of September, 1897, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, or as soon thereafter as the said court can hear and pass upon he same.

Dated this 8th day of May, 1897.

43-52 GEO. CONSER, Assignee.

Notice of Intention.

LAND OFFICE AT THE DALLES, OREGON,
May 24, 1897.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE following-named settler has filed notice of his intention t make final proof in support of his claim, and tha said proof will be made before J W. Morrow, County Clerk at Heppner, Oregon, on July 10th, 1897, viz:

WILLIAM E. DRISKELL,

Hd. E. No. 3992, for the W½ SE¼ and S½ SW¼, Sec 13, Tp 2 S, R 25 E. W M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

Stephen Lalande, Jay W. Shipley, Nat Shaw, C. N Peck, all of Heppner, Oregon.

547-58 JAS. F. MOORE, Register.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT UNDER and by virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of the state of Oregon for County of Morrow, and to me directed and delivered, upon a judgment rendered and entered in said Court on the 1st day of March, 1897, in favor of The Morrow County Land and Trust Company, a corporation, plaintiff, and against Ed C. Allen, Martha E. Allen, Wm. M. Rudio, Mattie C. Rudio and J. F. Teal, as administrator of the estate of I. R. Dawson, deceased, defendants for the sum of Two Thousand Two Hundred and Fifteen Dollars with interest thereon from the 21st day of November, 1896 at the rate of ten per cent per annum, and One Hundred and Fifty Dollars attorney's fees, and the further sum of Twelve and 50-100 Dollars costs and whereas by said judgment it was ordered and adjudged that the following described real property, to-wit: Lot No ten (10) in block No two (2) of Looney's addition to the town of Heppner, Morrow county, Oregon, be sold to satisfy said judgment, costs and accruing costs. I will, on Wednesday,

The 26th day of May, 1897,

at one o'clock p. m., of said day, at the Court House door in Heppner, Morrow County, Oregon, sell all the right, title and interest of the said defendants, Ed C Allen, et al, in and to the above described property at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, the proceeds to be applied to the satisfaction of said execution and all costs and costs that may accrue.

E. L. MATLOCK,
Sheriff of Morrow County, Oregon.
By J. W. Matlock, Deputy.

Dated April 26th 1897. 539-47.

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