

## TWO UGLY ANIMALS.

Those Big Pigs, the Rhinoceros and the Hippopotamus.

THEY ARE HARD TO CAPTURE.

Getting Away With One of the Colossal Brutes Makes the Work of Trapping the Big Felines Seem Like Child's Play—Methods of the Hunters.

Trapping the big felines is child's play compared with the work of capturing those lumbering, colossal animals of the "big pig" family, the rhinoceros and the hippopotamus.

Too stupid to tame or to break to a halter and too heavy to transport through hundreds of miles of wilderness, it would take a man half a lifetime to bring one of these five to six thousand pound creatures out of a jungle into civilization. Therefore the expert's only chance is to find a cow with a calf and to capture the young one.

Compared with the alert, grim exterior of the felines, there is little in the appearance of a phlegmatic, ponderous pig like a rhinoceros to indicate its real ferociousness. There is hardly a wild animal in existence which is more dangerous than this rarest of all our menagerie captives. Awkward as the great creature appears when at rest, once aroused it dashes through the densest thicket with the irresistible speed of an express train.

To catch a rhinoceros the trapper proceeds with preparations such as would an explorer bound for a two or three year expedition in the interior of an unexplored continent, for the difficulty confronting him is the threefold one of first penetrating a thousand or more miles into the interior; second, of finding not only a rhinoceros, but a rhinoceros cow with a calf old enough to capture, and, lastly, of transporting his prize across hills and mountains and plains, over rivers and ravines, across swamps and through forests to civilization.

Skirting swamps and rivers, the men are ever on the lookout for the deep, round spools, like a pie plate driven into the mud, for in this wet ground the rhinoceros loves to wallow. Frequently five or six months elapse before the tracks of a cow and a calf are picked up.

Noiseless and from well to leeward, the trapper and his men gradually steal nearer until the cow and the calf are inclosed in a circle. From ahead, out of the maze of cane and creeper, sounds the uneasy stamping of the cow. With a half snort, half grunt, in an instant the rhinoceros is all attention. Head raised and nostrils sniffing, she searches the air steadily. At sight of one of the savages the cow dashes with the speed of a race horse at the man, charging the human decoy, and at that instant the trapper's rifle is heard, and her furious charge is over, provided the bullet reaches the heart by striking just behind the left foreleg—the only vulnerable point in the inch thick armor with which the beast is clad.

Now and then it happens that the trapper fails to kill in time—his gun may miss fire, intervening trees may interfere or the marksman may miss his aim. Then the life of the decoy depends upon his own agility. To run to one side before the rhinoceros is almost on top of him would be fatal, for the swift brute would overtake him with a few bounds. His only hope is to wait until the deadly horn is almost at his feet and then, with the swiftness of a mongoose dodging the aim of a cobra, to leap to one side while the ponderous creature, unable to turn short in time, dashes onward under its own impetus. Twice, three times, a clever native hunter will dodge in this way, giving the trapper ample time to bring down the rhinoceros.

Then comes the tracking of the frightened calf, which has fled at the first sign of trouble, and soon it is pushed, prodded and shoved up a bridge of log skids into a cage of the bullock cart.

But even more dangerous is the trapping of the hippopotamus, for, although in itself the "rhino" is a more savage antagonist than the "river horse," the trapper hunts the former on land and brings down at a safe distance, whereas in the case of the hippopotamus he must fight in the same primitive fashion that savages have used for ages. Hand to maw, as it were, he must engage this two ton monster while standing in the bow of a frail canoe, for the hippopotamus, as its name, the "river horse," means, is a land and water animal and must be harpooned and brought ashore before it expires, otherwise it would sink at once to the bottom of the river, the coveted calf escaping among the other hippopotamuses instead of following the stricken cow to shore, so that the youngster may be caught.—A. W. Reiker in St. Nicholas.

### The Blue Danube.

The Danube still retains its ancient splendors. The Rhine is the river of vine clad, sunny hills, ruined castles on rugged crags, medieval history and modern glory in war and in peace, a river bright as the warble of a bird in the wood. The Danube hills carry immense, almost untouched, forests, higher and grander than the heights of the Rhine. In the midst of this rich, deep green verdure lonely white mountains break in on the eye. There are many wayside chapels, too, on the banks. In solemn, awesome, majestic beauty the Danube far exceeds the cheery, pretty Rhine, and it must be called a pity that so few American travelers take a tour on this indescribably superb river.—Omaha Bee.

## SHIP SUBSIDY IS CONDEMNED

Umatilla County Farmers, in Mass Meeting, Adopt Resolutions.

Umatilla county farmers are radically opposed to the ship subsidy program as outlined by certain members of congress. Resolutions were passed at a mass meeting of farmers and also by the Farmers Co-operative Union, at Pendleton Saturday.

The mass meeting of the farmers was planned by J. T. Lieuallen of Adams and was called together by him. He explained the purpose of the meeting and then C. A. Barrett was named as chairman and F. A. Sikes of Milton was elected secretary.

In addition to the ship subsidy resolutions the secretary and the chairman were instructed to sign a resolution calling on the reclamation service to adopt the proposed extension of the next expenditure of reclamation money in this state.

The resolutions relative to the ship subsidy propositions, in full are as follows:

Whereas, under the high tariff and navigation laws of many years past the American merchant marine has steadily declined, until less than eight per cent of American commerce is carried in American bottoms;

Whereas, this decline is due principally to the refusal of our government to allow registry to foreign built ships, and to excessive duties on all ship materials, so that it costs more than fifty per cent more to build ships in this country than abroad, and

Whereas, extreme duties tend to restrict imports and also exports and are a heavy handicap on commerce, and

Whereas, all other commercial nations admit all ship building materials and supplies free of duty, and

Whereas, government subsidies to in contravention of the doctrines of equal rights to all and special privileges to none, and ship subsidies would lead to the formation and operation of another great trust consisting growing by the increased subsidies it was fed on, and

Whereas, the subsidies would have to be paid by the taxpayers and producers, especially the farmers and particularly the wheat growers with no compensative advantages to them whatever, but would be a constant and growing burden upon them for the benefit of a combination of capitalists,

Resolved: Be it resolved, the farmers of Umatilla county in mass meeting assembled, hereby declare ourselves emphatically opposed to the ship subsidy bill pending in congress or any similar measure.

Resolved, That in lieu of such action we favor granting American registry to foreign built ships, the admission of materials for ship building free of duty, and such reduction of excessive duties as will encourage foreign commerce.

Resolved, that as between a ship subsidy and the position to discriminate in duties in favor of imports carried on American ships, we prefer the latter as by far the better method.

## COAL DEALERS GET TOGETHER

Three Hundred Candidates Will Be Initiated Into Mysteries.

Western Fuel association, composed of retail coal dealers in Washington, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Wyoming and Utah will have its first annual convention in Masonic temple, Spokane tomorrow when Spokane Breaker of the Order of Kokool will provide an entertainment in celebration of the initiation of 300 candidates, the officers also being hosts at a banquet in honor of the delegates in the Hall of the Doves.

"We realize the necessity of the retail dealer in every community," said President Day, in outlining the plans of the organization, "and we are interested in the promotion of the general welfare and the perpetuation of the business. We recognize the right of every person, partnership or corporation to establish as many retail yards as they may see fit. We also recognize the right of the mine-owner, wholesaler and shipper to sell coal in all markets, to all purchasers and at any price they may desire.

"We also recognize the disastrous consequences which result to the legitimate fuel dealers from competition with wholesalers and shippers, and we appreciate the importance to the dealer of accurate information as to the nature and extent of such competition where it exists, and we shall leave nothing undone to obtain and disseminate it among our members."

The Masculine Wig. Civilization has to thank the French revolution and the subsequent wars for masculine emancipation from the wig. It was partly the scarcity of flour and the war tax on hair powder that banished the powdered wig, but partly also the leveling influence of Jacobinism. "I do not know the present generation by sight," wrote Walpole in 1791, complaining that the young men "in their dirty shirts and shaggy hair have leveled nobility as much as the nobility in France have."

Unfair. Hazel, aged seven, while feeding the cat at the dinner table was reproved by her father, who told her that the cat must wait until later, whereupon the small girl wept and said: "I think it is a shame just because she is a poor dumb animal to treat her like a hired girl."—Harper's Magazine.

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### Bogus Coins Circulating.

Don't accept a silver dollar or half dollar unless you test it to see if it has the right jingle for the bogus dollar man is around and many of the bad pieces are now circulating in Walla Walla, reports the Union. Bogus dollars and 50 cent pieces have been taken up within the past few days, leading the authorities to believe that some one is making a systematic campaign upon the merchants and others who receive money. The latest fraud was reported to the police this morning by W. C. Goodman, a conductor in the employ of the Walla Walla Valley traction company, and he deposited a lead dollar to show he had been victimized.

### A Wild Blizzard Raging

brings danger, suffering—often death—to thousands, who take colds, coughs and lagrippe—that terror of winter and spring. Its danger signals are "stuffed up" nostrils, lower part of nose sore, chills and fever, pain in back of head, and a throat-gripping cough. When grip attacks, as you value your life, don't delay getting Dr. King's New Discovery. "One bottle cured me" writes A. L. Dunn of Pine Valley Wis. "after being 'laid up' three weeks with Grip. "For sore lungs, Hemorrhages, coughs, colds, Whooping cough, Bronchitis, asthma, it's supreme. 50c \$1. Guaranteed by all druggists.

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### Do You Want to Sell?

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### Saved at Death's Door.

The door of death seemed ready to open for Murray W. Ayers, of Transit Bridge N. Y., when his life was wonderfully saved. "I was in a dreadful condition," he writes "my skin was almost yellow; eyes sunken; tongue coated; emaciated from losing 40 pounds, growing weaker daily. Violent liver trouble pulling me down to death in spite of doctors. Then that matchless medicine—Electric Bitters—cured me. I regained the 40 pounds lost and now am well and strong." For all stomach liver and kidney troubles they're supreme. 50c at all druggists.

Methodist Episcopal Church. Rev. A. O. Hammond, Pastor. Sunday services: Sunday school at 10 a. m.; preaching service 11, Epworth League devotional service 6:30, preaching service 7:30. Ladies Aid Society every Wednesday afternoon at 1 p. m. Prayer meeting every Thursday evening at 7:30 p. m.

## NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County.

In the matter of the estate of Adele St Dennis, deceased.

Notice is hereby given to all persons whom it may concern: that F. S. Le Grow, administrator of the estate of Adele St. Dennis, deceased, has filed his final account and report in the administration of said estate with the clerk of the above entitled court, and that the county Judge, by order duly made and entered has appointed Monday the 31st day of February A. D. 1910, at the hour of 2 o'clock in the afternoon as the time, and the County Court house at Pendleton in said County and State, as the place, where any and all objections and exceptions to the said final account and report will be heard and the settlement thereof made. This notice will appear in the Athena Press from Friday the 21st day of January A. D. 1910, until Friday the 18th day of February A. D. 1910, once each week for four successive weeks.

Dated this the 21st day of January, A. D. 1910. F. S. Le Grow, Administrator.

Peterson & Wilson, Att'ys.

## ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County. In the matter of the estate of Robert J. Boddy, deceased.

Notice is hereby given to all persons whom it may concern that Jackson Nelson has qualified as executor of the last will and testament of Robert J. Boddy, deceased; and that all persons having claims against his estate are required to present them, with proper vouchers as reason by law, to said executor at the law offices of Peterson & Wilson at Athena or Pendleton, Oregon, within six months from date hereof.

Dated this the 7th day of January, A. D. 1910.

Jackson Nelson, Executor.

## SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Umatilla County.

Dora C. Hahnert, Plaintiff,

vs.

William F. Hahnert, defendant.

To William F. Hahnert, the above named defendant:

In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby summoned and required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit within six weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons in the Athena Press, a newspaper published weekly at Athena, Umatilla county, Oregon, and you will take notice that if you fail to so appear and answer the said complaint or otherwise plead thereto within said time the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief prayed for and demanded in said complaint, viz: For an absolute decree of divorce from you; for plaintiff's name to be changed to Dora C. Adams, and for other equitable relief.

This summons is published pursuant to an order of the Hon. H. J. Bean, Judge of the Sixth Judicial District of the State of Oregon, duly made and entered on the 29th day of December A. D. 1909, and the first publication thereof is made on Friday the 31st day of December A. D. 1909, and the same will be published for six consecutive weeks, the last publication to appear on Friday the 11th day of February A. D. 1910.

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