

WHY BRUTES ARE DUMB.

The American Indians, especially those of the lake regions of southern Canada, relate a curious tradition to account for the fact that all lower animals are dumb, says the St. Louis Republic. In very, very early times they say, the father of all tribes lived in a beautiful country over against the rising sun. His form was perfect and his face handsome in the extreme, his descendants being all superb specimens of humanity. Knowing of these accomplishments, and being much given to flattering each other, they became very haughty and arrogant. As a punishment for their bigotry the great father warned the father of the tribes in a dream that a deluge would be sent down to drown them from off the face of the earth. In the dream which forewarned the father of the tribes of the great calamity impending there was presented to his visionary view the form and outlines of a raft, which was to be used in saving a remnant of this bigoted people.

In those days all animals talked as men do, and when the father of the tribes informed the beasts of the field of his dream, and of his intentions concerning the building of a great craft, they protested, declaring their unwillingness to accompany him on any such expedition. But the man's superior intelligence prevailed. He built the raft, and lo! had hardly finished when the great flood came. The man's family and pairs of every beast took passage and floated far many months on the surface of the deluge. The clouds cleared away on the second day after the embarkation, and for seventeen successive moons the man used the sun as a guide, continually steering toward his place of setting. But the animals every one of them (who will be remembered, had the power of speech,) protested against sailing to the west, declaring in one voice that they preferred steering toward the sun's rising place. These murmurs had been going on for some days when, to the infinite joy of the man who had been holding the fort against this horde of creatures who had the voices of men and the reason of beasts great spots of dry land began to appear. Finally this rudely constructed ark grounded, and the man and his family and the beasts were again permitted to press the face of the earth with their feet. But a great and lasting calamity had overtaken the animals. For their murmurs against the man while on the water they were deprived of their power of speech, and have remained dumb from that day.

A CURIOUS TRANSFORMATION.

The department of agriculture at Washington has received from Consul Jones, located at Chin Kiang, China, a small bottle containing specimens of a curious fungus that actually grows from a species of caterpillar. Unlikely as it may seem, this fungus literally transforms the caterpillar into a vegetable, making the unhappy insect serve the purpose of a root. The caterpillar itself is the larva of a moth peculiar to China and Japan. When the cold of winter approaches this moth bores a hole in the ground to a depth of 3 to 7 inches and curls himself up to wait for spring. While taking his winter sleep he is often attacked by a remarkable disease which causes him to send forth shoots like a sprouting vegetable. These shoots appear and flourish above the ground like any other species of mushroom. This remarkable animal vegetable has no other means of growth than the curious one above described.

Grover Cleveland, commenting on the result of the late election, said:

"Any one who still thinks that tariff reform is a settled and obsolete issue, or the importance of a sound and safe money question upon which the people can be blinded, are either willfully wrong or dangerously dull. It seems to me, too, democrats ought to be satisfied that a staunch adherence to the principles of their party does not require an abuse of those who show an inclination to help us. I very much regret the defeat of Governor Campbell. He has been a brave and honest official. This and the splendid canvass he made, entitled him to success. While the election of Flower, Russell and Boies ought to cause the utmost rejoicing among democrats, they should not forget that with these things come obligations to be true to the people, honest in the advocacy of our principles, and decent in all things."

NOTICE.

I have this day sold to R. G. Watson & Co. the grocery and commission business heretofore carried on by me at the corner of Elmworth and 2nd streets, consisting of stock of groceries, provisions, fixtures, etc. I will pay all bills incurred by me—while conducting said business—on presentation. I retain the book accounts and parties indebted to me can call and pay at the store until Dec 1st, 1891. R. G. Watson & Co. receiving for me. After that date all unpaid accounts will be placed in the hands of my attorney for collection.

Nov. 2, 1891.

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COUNTY COURT PROCEEDINGS.

(D. R. N. Blackburn, Judge; B. W. Cooper and Wm. Bumbaugh, Commissioners.) Road ordered opened according to application of W. H. Young et al. Matter of tax levy and bids for boots continued. In matter of Calapoola bridge Young & Tillotson agreed to oak piles at \$6.00 each and furnish lumber and do work at \$16 per thousand. Fees of witnesses before grand jury allowed. Naturalization papers were granted granted Fraz Dornogalls. H. M. Stone, building Thomas Creek bridge. Albany Iron Works, iron for Millers bridge. Mack Sawyers, aid Henderson. E. Goan, acct poor. Jos Claypool, bounty. M. A. Fitzgerald, bounty. Glass & Prudhomme. C. R. Tycer, bounty. C. W. Cobb, stationery. H. S. Williams, fees. Train & Whitney, bounty. G. F. Crawford, aid Mrs. Roberts. B. W. Cooper, fees. Fred Carey, bounty. E. H. Maddux, bounty. M. E. Davis, acct poor. Crumie & Davis, roads and bridges. L. W. Deyoe, roads and bridges. A. Wheeler, same. P. W. Spink, lumber. R. M. Wade & Co., roads, bridges. D. R. N. Blackburn, aid poor, acct roads.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Hopkins dancing school meets to-night at the opera house, at 8 o'clock. Chief of Police Hoffman is expected home to-night with John C. Stall, the forger. He was delayed by having to get a requisition. W. J. Royce, of Lebanon, was in Salem Wednesday and identified the hack and harness in custody of Sheriff Croisan as his own. The horses still await a caller.—Salem Journal. HE OBJECTED.—Chas. Minkler, a freight conductor, and Lottie Creaser were married in Roseburg Wednesday. When the minister asked, as usual, if there were any objections, a young man named Manis, who had loved the girl himself, stepped up and said he had. A sensation followed. Manis was ejected from the house, yesterday he boarded the train with them, and passed through Albany at noon, and into Portland. At Eugene Mr and Mrs Minkler got off the cars unobserved and remained, fearing a tragedy. A passenger told Manis they got off at Albany and went to Yaquina Bay on their way to San Francisco. He said he would take a steamer from Portland and head them off. Crazy fool.

A CASE ARGUED.—The following appears in the supreme court proceedings.

W. L. Vance and George H. Keenev, apps vs Frank Wood, resp; appeal from Benton County; argued and submitted, J. R. Bryson and Chas. E. Wolverson, attys for apps; Jno. Kelsay and W. McFadden attys for resp.

A DRUNKEN SALEM MAN.—Yesterday afternoon while intoxicated Dr. M. J. Patton of Salem, once a resident of Albany, went into Williams & England's bank and with hand on a revolver demanded \$500 of the cashier. He was arrested and held under \$500 bonds to await the action of the grand jury. He was placed in jail.

OLDEST IN COUNTY.—Wednesday was the 93rd birthday of Mrs. Aithouse, a pleasant family dinner in her honor at the residence of her daughter Miss Sarah Aithouse. Mrs. Aithouse is the oldest person in Albany, and, we believe, in Linn county.

DEED.—Joseph Cox, an old citizen who has been living for some time near Knox Butte, in this county, died at Prineville about the first of the month. We have not learned the cause of death.

At Eugene Thos. E. Russell was found guilty of assault with a dangerous weapon and recommended to the greatest mercy of the court. He will be sentenced to-morrow morning.

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