

CREATURES THAT TUMBLE UPWARD.

Deep Sea Fish Face a Danger Unknown to Other Living Things. It is only reasonable to suppose that the ability to sustain an enormous pressure can only be acquired by animals after generations of gradual migrations from shallow waters.

He Dined on Coke. It is alleged, in a memoir of the life of Lord Eldon, that when plain John Scott his zeal for knowledge was so great that he abandoned the pursuit of almost every kind of information.

The Judge's Stuttering Story. Many anecdotes are remembered of the late Judge Thompson of Gloucester. Thompson was a good story teller and had the gift of stuttering, which helps along a story teller wonderfully.

A Premium on Calves. Howard T. who has lived all his short life in a city, was taken to visit at a "real farm." The child was in ecstasies. Every animal on the place was a delight to him, but his affections especially centered about a Jersey calf.

Why Wolfskins Are Cheap. The Eskimo of the arctic practice an ingenious method of slaughtering wolves—planting a stake in the ice with a blade of flint fastened to the upper end.

Poor Arthur. Cholly—Arthur had to stay in bed all day yesterday. Willie—Was he sick? "No, pooh boy! But his valet did not come around to dress him."

A Brave Hotelier.

The author of the "Braitmann Balads," Mr. C. G. Leland, was living in Munich, opposite a medieval tavern called the Ober-Pollinger. His landlady was a nice old soul, with two daughters. On the ground floor of the house was a store in which cutlery and fireworks were sold.

Velocity of Electricity. Science of Common Things says that the velocity of electricity is so great that the most rapid motion produced by art appears to be actual rest when compared to it.

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What are flowers, these parts of plants rendered so conspicuous by their form and color? The poets call them the wedding garments of plants, but afford us no answer to the question, Why do some of the daughters of Flora, for example, the grasses, wear such inconspicuous wedding garments, while others are decked in such brilliant array or exude such delightful perfume?

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Shortly before his death he published a short memoir entitled "The Utility of Bees," and the "Necessity of Bee Culture From a New Point of View," in which he drew, more precisely, the distinction between wild fertilized and insect fertilized plants.

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