

WHERE THE PRECIOUS LITTLE ANUMALS HAVE BEEN DOMESTICATED.

sful Farm in Alabama-Th Stock Supplied by Hunters With Dogs Trained to the Trail-The Prices.

From the Pittsburg Dispatch.

Prom the Pittsburg Dispatch. It is a remarkable fact that nearly all restaurants of any pretensions, everywhere is a nearly pretensions, everywhere is a point of fact, there are very few paces, even in the largest clices, where the mains article is served. There are several cognite animals, but, only one terrapin, properly so called -modelines designated "diamond backs" and sometimes merely terrapin; the two is provided the general form of terrapin; but are large, coarse and rough in appearance; and they are caught on elevated land, heye onstruct their habitation by digging holes in the ground, sometimes to the and plants found in the woods. In weight hey in fresh water, and they likewise grow so large as to weigh 50 pounds. Mobilian in fresh water, which is regarded as very the point is the secturite, or loggerhead, which about is in the Guil of Mexico and attimes there is the sea turtle, or loggerhead, which abounds in the Gulf of Mexico and attains the enormous weight of 700 or 800 pounds. This species is exceedingly prolifie. It is not unusual to find from 400 to 600 eggs deposited in one place by a single turtle.

THE TERRAPIN THE SMALLEST OF ALL.

The terrapin is the smallest of all various kinds of turtle, but it is so high-priced as only to find its way to the most fashionable restaurants. In common with other kinds of the turtle family, terrapin propagate by making a hole in the sand with their feet and donestime their score therein then making a hole in the sand with their feet and depositing their eggs therein; then filling up the hole and leaving the eggs to be hatched by the sun. There are three or four terrapin farms in the United States. By far the largest of these is located at Cedar Point, Ala. Cedar Point is in the extreme south end of Mobile county, bor-dering on the Mississippi Sound, 30 miles from the city of Mobile, and two miles porth of the Gulf of Mexico, within a stone's orth of the Gulf of Mexico, within a stone's brow of the famous oyster reefs of Mobile lay, where ovsters are caught during the inter and shipped to all parts of the

Inited States. The owner of this farm is Mr. M. Dorlon. He has now on the farm 20,000 diamond backs, running in size from four ounces up to four pounds. The farm consists of a plot or four points. The farm consists of a piot of ground containing several acres, and sorrounded on all sides by a board fence. Throughout the space there are ditches or canals cut and embankments thrown up. These enbankments are covered with fine shells or sand, or both intermingled, upon which the terrapin sun themselves. The anals are filled at intervals with fresh vater from the sound, let in and out by neans of underground channels or sewers leading to the bay, allowing the tide water to rise and fall at will, thus keeping the water in the canals fresh and pure at all

HUNTING THE LITTLE ANIMALS.

The farm is stocked by experienced huntrs. They have a fine and ample range, or terrapin are caught along the shores of Dauphin Island, Cat Island, Marsh Island, Grand Bay and the Louisiana coast, and as far as the Galveston beach, but it requires expert hunting to come up with the animals ought. And in order to succeed the hunt-rs must have dogs which have been rained not merely to track terrapin, but o disregard every other sort of trail. And he hunting has to be seasonable. During he months of May and June, and during part of July, terrarin crawl out to deposit part of July, terrapin crawl out to deposi heir eggs, and to that end go some distance ato the grass. The dog strikes the trail, nd if it is fresh, he soon finds the game. He gives notice of his success by veloing d the hunter hastens to the spot in

dent expectation of a prize. He carries with him a large sack. Into is he thrusts the terrapin, one by one ey are found, until the sack is filled he hunter has as many as he is able to arry-sometimes as many as 25 or 30. These are taken to the store of Mr. Dorlon, where they command \$3,60 per dozen. From 2 to 24 months are thus occupied. and each hunter can easily make from \$3 to \$5 per day during that time.

EDUCATED IN CAPTIVITY.

The terrapin, thus caught and placed on the farm, are fed with crabs and fish which

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steam power itself. WAS A PYTHON HYPNOTIZED !

The Rabbit David And the Serpent Gollath.

From the N. Y. Tribune

Gollath. From the N, Y. Tribune One day while the writer was watching the disgusting though fascinating oper-ation of feeding a large cobra in the zoo-logical gardens at Calcutta, the master of an East Indianman told him a remarkable story of a python in the old Jardin des Plantes, in Paris. The serpent was one of the largest specimens of its species ever captured and was valued at over 30,000 francs. So muscular was it, so fierce and rapid in its deadly coiling, that it required six men to hold it, even when the head had been properly secured, on the few oc-casions when it was necessary to change its quarters. The oldest animal trainers and attendants had a wholesome dread of the hideous python. None of them had forgotten the flightfully rapid deith of s rash, circus "snake-charmer" who several years before, when the python was younger and confiderably smaller, had boasted that he could subdue it. The lid of the box in which it was then kept, on being opened, disclosed the sluggish reptile closely coiled in a corner. The man was by n means in-experienced, and he reached down with the intention of grasping the python securely around the neck just back of the head. But he could not have known, or knowing had forgotten, the lightning-like speed with which these serpents can move who looked on that the man had scarcely tonched the cool scales before the anake had coiled itself about his arm, and a who looked on that the man had scarcely touched the cool scales before the snake had coiled itself about his arm, and a second later the man was in his death stringgles. Every rib and nearly every bone in his body was crushed. His death must have been painless. It will seem strange that the python was not killed then and there. But it retreated to its \cdot sige, the lid of which was at once closed, and no one having the temerity to attempt to kill it at having the temerity to attempt to kill it at

and there. But it retreated to its arge, the lid of which was at once closed, and no one having the temerity to attempt to kill it at the moment, it lived for many years, and became one of the greatest attractions of the Jardin des Planjes. But if the python's life was spared on this occasion, it was only that it might die the still more ignominious death fate had in store for fit. Live rabbits wore the favorite food of the python. These were fattened especially for its table, and only the largest and most tempting were se-lected for its weekly meal. It appears that there is not only danger of overfeeding snakes, but, in the case of this particular family, great care must be taken in the selection of their food, as they are ex-tremely susceptible to certain diseases. The python had now attained a length of nearly twenty-three feed, and year by year it had become more powerful and vindictive. Thirty thousand frames had been offered for this snake, and it was valued at much more than this sum, Many thousand poople had visited the dreaded "beast of the field," several interesting treatises had been published about it, and the utmost care was taken in housing it and providing for its comfort. A little house, in which the uatural environments of its habitat were reproduced as nearly as might be, had been constructed for its use. The python, it might be said, was now in the heyday of its fame. One day a fine white rabbit, plump and glossy, was placed in its cage. The snake, coiled luxuriously upon an Eastern rug, lazily lifted its head and calmly inspected the offering, as if to satisfy that it was in all respects fit for its repast. The poor rabbit was not always the case; for the rabbits, it would seem, are generally either too

was instantly overcome with horror. This was not always the case ; for the rabbits, it would seem, are generally either too stupid or too ignorant to recognize in the brightly-colored coils of the python a deadly foe. As a rule the rabbits had met then and in consecution of the python a their end in comparative peace. No sooner was this one placed on the floor of the cage, however, than it uttered plaintive cries, expressive of the utmost horror, and hopped into a corner. It then stood up on its haunches, in the manner of a poodle begging to its mistress, and begau pawing the air with its fore less. Both the meture

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are caught along the shores of Cedar Point, and being cut into small pieces are distributed in the canals and ravenously de voared. They seem to possess the power of mental associations, for they become so accustomed to the sound made by the cutaccustomed to the sound made by the cut-ting up of the fish and crabs that if one makes a similar noise by striking on the fence, he will see probably 4,000 or 5,000 heads above the water making for the

locality of the noise. The market season lasts from the 1st of October until the 10th of May. During the remaining portion of the year there is no market for the products of the farm. They market for the predicts of the farming about 30. These boxes are strapped with iron ties, and are shipped to New York, Washington, Philadelphia and Norfolk, Va. The prices range from \$12 to \$18 per dozen, the aver-age weight being about four pounds each; making the flesh, including the shell, come t the site of from \$2 to \$37 cents per pound at the rate of from 25 to 37) cents per pound -thus taking its place in the foremost

rank of luxuries. The terrapin hibernate themselves in The terrapin hibernate themselves in winter, eating nothing, but barrowing and hiding themselves in the mud. They do not go deep, however, and many are some-times taken out of the same "hole." The terrapin, being long-lived—perhaps attain-ing the age of a hundred years—their growth is corresponding slow. The writer understands that the marketable age, when they have taken on a weight of about four pounds, is about four or pounds, is about five or six years.

How She Brought Him Around. From the Chicago Tribune.

Softly shone the subdued light of the solitary gasjet in the parlor of the Bilder-back mansion on the avenue, and soft was back mansion on the avenue, and soft was the voice of the abashed young Erasmus Shackelford, who sat on the edge of his chair, mopped his heated fa e, and smiled with a kind of papier-mache smile at the entracing young woman, in the dazzling aureole of whose auburn hair he had flut-tered in agonizing captivity for months and months.

tered in agonizing captivity for months and months. "Miss Viola," he said, clearing his throat and speaking with every inflection of a man about to say something, "you will not be surprised, I presume, if I—if I ex-press the—the feeling, the—the opinion, as it were, that—that it's pretty hot this even-ing?"

Erasmus gave his face another frenziel swipe with his bandkerchief and subsided into palpitating silence. "No," replied Miss Viola, with a smile

that brought a large and cestatic lump of something or other up into his throat, "I am not surprised, Mr. Shackelford, You made the same observation carlier in the

Y-yes," he gasped. "I believe 1 did. It-it was not an entirely new remark. In fact, it was a kind of a-of a chestnut, I

The agitated youth made another effort

to crush down the lump in his throat. "And I-I feel, Miss Bil-Viola-as if I were a-a kind of-of observation myself that was getting tiresome. Haven't I been-been observed here a little too often ' Do I seem to be a-a chestnut'-and as he moved his handkerchief over his glowing

face in tremulous jabs his voice took on a despairing sound—"a sort of—of roasted chestnut "No, Erasmus," slowly answered the miden. "When a chestnut is roasted it

maiden. The conscientious historian is bound to record the fact that at this point Erasmus

immediately popped.

PERPETUAL MOTION.

An Ingenious/But Doubtful Story of Elec-

trical Engineering. From the New Orleans Times-Democrat.

A dispatch from Chattanooga says: machinery for generating steam by elec-tricity has been set up here and jealously guarded, but a reporter managed to get in-to the room in which the plant is located and guarded and this is what he found : To a battery of two 20-horse tabular bollers, a 10-horse engine and boller is tem-porarily connected to heat the water in them: steam is first raised in the small porarily connector to have the water in them: steam is first raised in the small boiler, and a dynamo used to produce elec-tricity. The fines in the large boiler are filled with asbestos, the ends are connected with the dynamo, and the passage of the electricity through the asbestos heats it to

Its haunches, in the manner of a poole begging to its mistress, and begau pawing the air with its fore legs. Both the posture and the action were unnatural in the rabbit and were evidently only caused by terror. The snake advanced slowly and cautiously, its gracefully curved neck thrust forward, its black, forked tongue darting in and out of its mouth, until its head was within a foot of the rabbit. The latter beat the air still more violently. It was pitifal. The beautiful white rabbit, its pink eyes starting from its head with terror, seemed to be trying to shut out the awful sight. The python was evidently perplexed, and its perplexity turned to fright. The cowardice of all large serpents is well known. This one had never heard a rabbit utter such cries, nor seen one act in such a manner. After gazing at it for a few moments it slowly withdrew toward the other side of the compartment, as if unable to make up its mind to begin the unable to make up its mind to begin the attack. The python, especially in its natural state, is said to suffer actuely, from hatural state, is said to suffer activity, from the pangs of hunger, and in satisfying them betrays extreme voracity. During the day it had shown the usual symptoms of re-turning appetite, and its present conduct, as it could not be laid to apathy, was, there-fore, all the more remarkable As the snake retreated, the rabbit, prob-ably crazed by terror, sprang forward and in another instant had bitten the python in the neck just behind the head, its most vulnerable spot. The rabbit then hopped back to the further extremity of the cage. The python, so suddenly and unexpectedly attacked, had not tried to defend itself, and could not be prevailed upon again to approach its naturally timid foe. The latter was taken from the cage, and, in view of its heroic defence of its own life, was allowed to live in happiness (according to the ideas of rabbits), until its death from

to the ideas of rabbits), until its death from natural cause. Four days afterward the python died, not, the physicians said, from the immediate effects of the bits, but from gangrene which developed in the wound Some of these wise men even went so fat

as to assert (and it is to-day cited by others as a signal instance of animal magnetism) that the rabbit's influence over the python

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