

BEARS IN COLORADO.

An English Sportsman Says That Treating Grizzlies Beats Baiting Tigers in India.

Colin C. Scott, of London, who has hunted tigers, elephants and other big game in both Asia and Africa, considers bear hunting in Colorado the most royal sport he has ever enjoyed. He stopped off in Denver a few weeks ago on his way home from a trip around the world, and his friend, H. W. Throckmorton, volunteered to give him a taste of Rocky mountain big game. The globe trotter suggested that anything in the Colorado hills would probably be rather tame after Bengal tigers, but when the party returned from the White river country a few days ago, Mr. Scott admitted that he had been "shown" in proper Missouri fashion.



HUGE CINNAMON BEAR. Traced in an Aspen Tree, 35 Feet From the Ground.

Four bears that went over the mountain never came back again, although their hides were packed out, but their carcasses were fed to John Goff's pack of hounds, after the hunters had feasted on juicy steak.

Mr. Scott and Mr. Throckmorton, says the Denver Post, went to Meeker and engaged the services of John Goff, the guide of President Roosevelt, when he hunted in Colorado two years ago last winter. With Goff and his noted dogs they hunted the country between the White and Bear rivers for ten days. One morning the dogs trailed and captured a porcupine, and the sportsmen spent two hours picking quills from the dog's after the fight.

On the last day of the hunt the party followed the dogs on a bear trail for about two hours, and were about to give up when they heard a yelping in the distance and knew that something was doing in the bear line. Mr. Throckmorton was skirting along the edge of a mesa, and after dragging his horse down the rock run, he rode a short distance when he met a big bear "hiking" up the hill. He yelled and the bear turned and came down the hill. The dog and the dog soon came up and followed the quarry, finally trailing him. The bear was in an open 25 feet from the ground, and Mr. Throckmorton was eager for a shot.

"If you think you can kill him, Mr. Scott," said Mr. Goff, "but if you only would hunt him down and there will be a good chance to make sausage of some of the dogs, and they are a valuable pack."

Mr. Scott, in a careful aim and near the bear's head, and then struck him in the forehead. Apparently he was stunned, and Mr. Throckmorton put his hands to his mouth and uttered a cry. The bear fell dead. The creature was cut, and Brain fell to the ground. It was observed that the shot had passed through his heart. The dog had plenty of meat, and the successful hunter had the skin of a 150-pound specimen to bring home as a trophy. Later in the season the bear would have weighed 200 pounds.

The skins, three heads killed on the trip weighed 125, 100 and 75 pounds respectively.

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It is impossible to overestimate the sensation Mr. Bristol's new policy will create. It will be antagonized by every senator and representative now in congress or who may hereafter be elected.

The deserted farm and the woman who must support herself have one thing at least in common—they are not local problems.

Careless writers have almost made it appear that all the deserted farms are in New England, and all the women who have to earn their living are restricted by circumstances to the cities. Two essays recently read before agricultural societies in the central west suggest a wider and truer view of the situation. One essayist told of a woman who bought a farm, when overwork forced her to retire temporarily from her profession. She hires a man for outside work and a woman to do the rougher household. She enjoys pure air, fresh vegetables and plenty of milk and butter and eggs and receives enough money for the hay produced on the farm to meet all her expenses. The heroine of the other essayist was a successful stenographer, who, wanting a house of her own, pitched upon a three-acre place which was far from cities, but within reachable distance of several summer hotels. By study, perseverance, tact and common sense, she presently found herself marketing every year 5,000 pounds of honey, 1,500 ducks and quantities of fine fruit. Probably, says the Youth's Companion, there is not a county in any state which does not offer similar opportunities for tired women to rest by change of occupation, and meantime earn a living; or for ambitious women to take up fruit-growing, market-gardening, poultry-keeping, or some other specialty, and carry it on at a profit. We glory in the women who have sought out such openings. Their number should increase.

The report of the librarian of the Chicago public library shows that out of 1,185,568 volumes withdrawn for home use \$56,008 volumes, or about 73 per cent., were divided between English prose fiction and juvenile literature.

Chicago, observes the Record-Herald, resembles other American communities in its preference for works of this class, and the taste that is thus shown is often the subject of regret among people with whom the study of literature is a somewhat serious business. In one sense this regret is well founded, because a large percentage of the fiction that is read is of an inferior sort. The time that is spent upon it might be devoted much more profitably to better reading or to healthful recreation out of doors, and there is perhaps no more common fallacy than that contained in the notion that there is a virtue in devouring books, even if the standard of selection is poor. This itself is one of the most misleading of fictions, and it certainly deserves no encouragement. The literary pretensions that are based upon it are absurd. At the same time there is no proof that the worthless books displace the good books. Most of the people who read ephemeral stories for the mental excitement and to pass away the time would never take to the classic with Frederick Harrison or pit themselves through a course of the best hundred books selected by Sir John Lubbock. They would find Milton insufferable, Shakespeare interesting in spots only, and the most brilliant essayists ponderous.

An automobile speedway 40 feet wide, inclosed by hedges and wire fences, is planned to run the whole length of Long Island, New York—from Blackwell's island bridge to Montauk Point, 112 miles. The road will cost \$15,000,000, or nearly \$1,500,000 in the aggregate. But automobilists can afford it, and probably if they run short of funds other citizens will be glad to help carry out an enterprise that promises to keep racing-machines off the public highways.

A Moscow dentist has invented a system whereby false teeth can be made to grow into the gums as firmly as natural ones. After a few months' use it is as hard to extract them as it is to dislodge the genuine molar made on the premises. Soon, probably, this tooth-grafting Muscovite will achieve, suggests the London Globe, the greatest height to which the dentist can soar, the manufacture of false teeth that ache.

Biology for some students ought to take rank with the occult sciences, if the answers to a question recently put in an examination are any indication. The question was: "What part of a living body may never die?" One student wrote down: "The teeth," and another put sure that part must be "the appendix."

A little girl thus described a dachshund she had seen: "It was one of those funny ones—you know, the ones that are a dog and a half long and sniff a dog high. You must know the sort. It is a dog that only has four legs, but looks as if it ought to have six."

"A rusty hoop" that has traveled all over the United States and is covered with tags, "will be exhibited at the world's fair." It will divide popular interest with Liberty bell, no doubt.

More startling things happen in St. Louis than in any other place. A woman who secured a divorce from her husband has refused to accept alimony.

Some people are so infernally polite as to inspire suspicion.

RATIONS FOR HORSES.

Digest of Experiment Station Reports on the Advantages of Chaffing or Cutting Fodder.

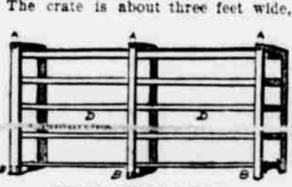
It is perhaps the general opinion that when horses have ample time for chewing and digesting their feed there is no necessity for chaffing or cutting hay and straw. When the time for feeding is limited chaffing and cutting coarse fodder is regarded as advantageous. This is an item of special importance with hard-worked horses kept in the stable only at night. Furthermore, chaffed feed occupies less space for storage than uncut hay or straw, and can be readily handled. Shredding corn fodder is regarded as an economical practice, but apparently few experiments on the comparative merits of shredded and whole corn fodder for horses have yet been reported. No marked variation was observed in the weights of two lots of horses fed whole and cut timothy or whole and cut alfalfa and clover hay mixed, in a test carried on at the Utah station.

At the Maryland station, in studies of the digestibility of a number of whole and ground feeds, it was found that grinding corn shives—that is, cornstalks from which the blades, husks and pith are removed—until the material resembled coarse bran, did not destroy its value as a coarse fodder, and that the finely-ground material supplied the necessary bulk to the ration as well as the same material unground. It was further claimed that the finely-ground coarse fodder possessed an advantage over the unground material in that it could be mixed with grain to form a well-balanced ration and fed to horses on shipboard, or under similar conditions, more readily than unground fodder and grain.—Government Bulletin.

VERY EASY TO HANDLE.

When a Single Hog, Sheep or Calf Has to Be Hauled, This Crate Is Very Useful.

It is often convenient to have a crate in which to haul a single hog, sheep or calf. It is not necessary to have it so large or so heavy but that it can be easily lifted into the wagon, or even taken in the light wagon where the animal to be hauled is not too large and heavy. The frame should be made of two by four, strengthened with rods and bolts. Four-inch slats are nailed horizontally on the inside of the sides and perpendicular on the end. Three slats dropped from above and retained in position by the mortised end will retain the animal when inside. The crate is about three feet wide,



LIGHT STOCK CRATE.

four and one-half feet high, and five feet long. The three frames are mortised at top and bottom and have a rod (A) at top, and at the bottom two by four are bolted to B. The floor is spiked down to these. The slats are nailed on from the inside to prevent crowding off. To give strength substitute a two by four in place of slat (D), which should be bolted to the frames. The slats for retaining the animal are made of two by fours. They are made to slip down between the rod and outside two by four brace across the top of the rear frame, the bottom of the slat (C) mortised to fit a square hole cut in the floor and the top held in position by a pin fitting into holes bored through the top of slat and braces of frame. The figure shows the crate complete.—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

Intestinal Worms in Hogs. Recently while at the Iowa Agricultural college the writer noticed the ground in the hog yard littered with excreted intestinal worms. The keeper explained that he had just given the swine their semi-annual dose of worm medicine. He said that it was his observation that hogs were frequently sick as a result of intestinal worms and that many times diseases arising from worms were named cholera. This would be more likely the case, as a large number of hogs might be sick at the same time from the same cause. This cause of disease is too frequently overlooked, especially by the farmer that has only a few hogs and gives them but little attention. When a hog eats well and yet remains stunted it may be guessed that worms are at least a partial cause.—Farmers Review.

Sheep Are Fond of Clover. The clover crop seems to be of such supreme value for sheep that it might be said to be a necessary adjunct of the successful sheep farm. It is many-sided in value, being excellent for growing lambs, splendid for nourishing ewes and high in rank for fattening in the feed lots. At some stages of the sheep's life slower feeding seems absolutely necessary to attain the best results. In addition to being very wholesome food, it is remarkable that sheep should be so ravenous for every part of it, stem, leaf and blossom.—Prof. J. A. Craig, in Rural World.

Hogs on the Small Farm. On the small farm hog raising pays as well, or perhaps better, than on the larger ones. And for the farmer of moderate means hog raising is one of the surest and quickest ways of making money on account of the limited amount of capital required and the short time in which returns can be realized. On every farm there is more or less that would be wasted if hogs were not kept to consume it. On the small farm it is essential that everything be utilized to the fullest extent and a few hogs will aid materially in this.—Farm and Home.

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Reminders.
 "What does that red yarn around your wrist signify?" said Trivvet to Dicer.
 "That's to remind me to take coffee home this evening."
 "And what does the yarn around your left wrist mean?"
 "That's to remind me that there is yarn on my right wrist."—Judge.

Two Views.
 "Oh, yes," he said, "I'm quite expert with my automobile now. What I know about road racing would fill an interesting book."
 "What you don't know about it," replied the candid friend, "may fill a grave for you soon."—Philadelphia Press.

As Defined.
 "Mamma," asked Little Floramay, "what is a synonym?"
 "A synonym, my dear, is a word that can be used in the place of another when you don't know how to spell the other," replied the mother, who happened to be a trifle shy on orthography.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

The Proper Thing.
 "I hope you do not consider it wrong for a young lady to wear fine clothes and jewels," said Miss Giddings.
 "Certainly not," replied the parson. "If the heart is full of vain and ridiculous things, there can be no objection to advertising the fact."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Bumps Into Them.
 Towne—I believe I'm a sort of owl or something. I usually find everything I'm looking for in the dark.
 Brown—I must be a sort of elephant or something. I usually find everything I'm not looking for in the dark.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Couldn't Fool Her.
 "My dear Miss Myllins," said the impudicuous young man, "I love you more than I can find words to tell."
 "But I presume you could tell me in figures," rejoined the beautiful heiress, in tones that suggested the ice man.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

No Apology Needed.
 Kitten—You'll excuse me, old chap, for not introducing you to my wife. The fact is, you know, she's—she's so infernally particular.
 Dryde—In everything but her choice of a husband, perhaps. I see.—Chicago Tribune.

A Tribute.
 In art or in warfare
 He didn't excel,
 But he minded his business
 And did very well.
 —Washington Star.

A BOLD DEED.



Agnes—Oh! I'm not unreasonable; but the man who marries me must at least be brave!
 Hilda (her younger sister)—I should just think so, dear! The bravest of the brave!—Chicago Chronicle.

Our Way.
 She always dined with diamonds,
 Regardless of expense,
 And presently she'd blaze away
 To social indifference.
 —Puck.

Bright Young Man.
 Patience—I told him, last night, that the day he bought my engagement ring he should put his arm about me.
 Patrice—Well.
 "He waited until after midnight, and said he'd buy it to-day."—Yonkers Statesman.

A Proud Parent.
 "How is Josh doing at school?"
 "Splendid," answered Farmer Corn-tassel. "He's been hazed, played football and joined two college societies, and ain't been to the hospital once."—Washington Star.

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