

Doping An Elephant.

One of the most remarkable operations ever performed on an animal has been done in the Hanover Zoological Gardens of Hanover, Germany, on the big female elephant Marly.

The "huge earth-shaking beast" had a foot disease that made it necessary to amputate large parts of both her hind feet to save her life. As it was manifestly impossible to operate by force, the great animal was anaesthetized. It is believed to be the first successful anaesthetization of an elephant on record.

Marly was presented to the Zoological Gardens of Hanover by the brothers Jannecke. She is said to be one of the wisest elephants in the world. And equal to her wisdom is her constancy. She loved a man once and she never has forgotten him.

The man whom Marly loved was the elephant keeper of the garden. He knew her thoroughly and understood all her moods. In return she gave him her unquestioning obedience and affection. There was nothing that he could do to her that Marly would not suffer in silence. Twice he operated on her foot and each time she bore it

man who insisted on working around her. So gradually the keepers, who were not paid to act as victims of elephantine idiosyncrasies, abandoned all attempt to attend to her feet.

This state of affairs lasted for several years, until the horny growths on the hind feet of the huge beast had become so great that operative interference was peremptory. The experts who were called in were helpless for a long while. Every effort to look at the elephant's feet, was frustrated by savage attacks. At last Dr. Ernest Schaeff, director of the Hanover Zoological Gardens, hit on the idea of building a great pen of live oak in Marly's inclosure. When the pen was finished Marly was coaxed in by means of ten pounds of candy, which lured her the more readily because she had been subjected to starvation for several hours previously. The pen was so narrow that, once the elephant was in it, she could not turn around, and it was planned to chain her on all sides and then perform the necessary paring of her feet. A huge anchor chain used by a great steamship had been borrowed, and this was

knives could not cut it as fast as desired. So recourse was had at once to common carpenters' chisels and mallets, and they were piled busily. As quickly as a portion of the diseased flesh had been loosened sufficiently by the chisels, a common hand-saw was used to sever it.

Still the elephant, beyond twitching his legs spasmodically once or twice, had not given any indications of pain during the two hours consumed by the cutting and chiseling and sawing. But when the irrigation of the wound began Marly flung her legs around in so lively a manner that the inclosure was vacated in a hurry. The same demonstration occurred during the cauterization, which had to be done most thoroughly. But if the animal felt pain during this time it gave no indication of it other than by those motions. It did not bellow and its regular deep breathing continued without interruption.

Fortunately, the wounds in her poor feet and the amputated portions were not where they interfered with standing, and they healed rapidly. Marly is feeling fine now, and has recovered her old good temper entirely.

Cowardice of Sharks.

Many tales have been told of how human beings have been devoured by the fish that is known as the man eater. Although many of these have been greatly exaggerated, they are to a certain extent true. It is also true that sharks have been known to follow a ship for days, picking up and eating that which had been thrown overboard as waste. Notwithstanding all of this, the cowardliness of sharks is well known among men who have been much to sea in southern waters. The fiercest shark will get out of the way of a swimmer if the latter sets up a noisy splashing.

A shark fears anything that splashes in the water. Among the South Sea Islands the natives never go bathing alone, but always in parties of half a dozen or so, in order that they may make a great hubbub in the water and thus frighten away the sharks. Once in a while a too venturesome swimmer among these natives foolishly detaches himself from his party and forgets to keep up his splashing. Then there is a swish and the man eater comes up from under him like a flash and he is gone.—Fensacola Reporter.

Modish Chirography.

If handwriting is an index to character American women are all getting to be exactly alike. Every fashionable woman now writes the angular English hand, and others are cultivating it. Good form decrees that paper, ink, and wax must be of a certain style and this, taken in conjunction with the similarity of penmanship, makes one fashionable woman's letter resemble another's almost exactly. The blacker the writing the more character it is supposed to possess, just as the sketches of some artists who are lavish with their India ink are rated as strong. Shading has gone out en-

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To Make Clothes Last.

Never in home dressmaking cut any kind of woolen goods until they have been sponged, as cheap material is often rot dampened before it is sold. To do this properly at home, get an ironing board or table the width of the goods and cover with tightly-stretched calico. Spread your cloth, wrong side up, cover with a linen cloth that has been well wrung out in water, and then press it with a hot iron lengthwise of the goods. Never let the iron be still, and the goods must fall evenly on the floor on to a clean cloth as pressed.

Bow Bells Silenced.

Whatever may be the case with St. Paul's, partial damage has already been sustained by the historic church of St. Mary-le-Bow, the beautiful tower of which already leans twenty-three inches out of the perpendicular. This, it is stated, is caused by the vibration of the adjoining tupenny tube. The company has agreed to pay £1,000 (\$5,000) by way of compensation. Meantime, owing to the dangerous condition of the belfry, the famous Bow Bells, that are turned again Dick Whittington, must remain silent until the necessary underpinning operations are completed.—New York Herald.

Couldn't Wear Shoes.

Sumpter, Ill., Sept. 9th.—Mrs. J. B. Flanigan, of this place, has suffered with dropsy for fifteen years. She was so very bad that for the last three years she has not been able to wear her shoes. She had doctored all the time, but was gradually getting worse. Last winter Mr. Flanigan, who was very much discouraged, called for some medicine at Mr. J. Dale's drug store in Carmi. Mr. Dale persuaded him to have his wife try Dodd's Kidney Pills, and he bought six boxes. His wife used five out of the six, before she was entirely cured. She is now as sound and well as ever she was, completely restored to health, and free from any symptom whatever of dropsy.

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His Little Scheme.

"Leddy," he said, as he doffed his chapeau, "I haven't had a bite to eat since yestiddy mornin'." She gave him a quarter, and, as he headed for the nearest saloon, he added: "An' I don't want none."—Denver Times.

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The following letters from pastors who use Peruna speak for themselves: Rev. E. G. Smith, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, of Greensboro, Ga., writes:

"My little boy had been suffering for some time with catarrh of the lower bowels. Other remedies had failed, but after taking two bottles of Peruna the trouble almost entirely disappeared. For this special malady I consider it well nigh a specific."—Rev. E. G. Smith.

Rev. A. S. Vaughn, Eureka Springs, Ark., says: "I had been prostrated by congestive chills and was almost dead; as soon as able to be about, I commenced the use of Peruna. I took five bottles; my strength returned rapidly and I am now enjoying my usual health."—Rev. A. S. Vaughn.

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STRETCHED FOR THE OPERATION

without even wincing. At times, during the progress of the operations, the pain would make her mighty body tremble from her wide ears to her little tail, but she did not move her suffering foot an inch. And when the keeper spoke to her sympathetically and coaxingly, as he cut deep into her tender soles, she would stroke him gently with her trunk even while she was groaning with agony.

Men say that whenever she saw her beloved keeper approach Marly's eyes—those piglike elephant eyes—would become almost humanly beautiful. The visitors to the Zoological Garden who did not see this know that the man never could arrive in sight without eliciting mighty trumpeting and stampings and other elephantine signs of deep joy.

Under these circumstances the fact that Marly was a great sufferer from sore feet did not bother any one much, for the keeper could enter her house day or night and cut and saw and file and sandpaper her toes till they were in proper shape, says New York Press.

But, after almost fifteen years of uninterrupted companionship, the old man died. For several weeks after that Marly permitted others to minister to her and was docile enough, but without cessation she kept watching and calling for her friend. Every approaching pedestrian who looked at all like him was greeted with trumpet blasts until he came near enough for the elephant to discover that he was not the one for whom she was waiting.

At last she seemed to realize that her beloved keeper would not return. And from that moment Marly was a changed beast. She attacked none of those who served her. But her behavior spoke clearly of her frame of mind. Had she been able to speak she could not have expressed more clearly her dislike for all in the gardens.

Still, with the great sense which she had displayed during the twenty-five years of her sojourn in the Zoo, she objected actively to nothing except one thing. She permitted the new keepers to scrub her big sides and to play the hose on her. She submitted to being chained and rubbed with oil. She moved from place to place with ready obedience. But she would allow no man to touch her feet. And her feet had been and were the source of constant trouble to her.

Regularly at first the keepers tried to work at them, but regularly Marly resented it in a manner that showed them unmistakably that she would go to the length of dealing death to the

and mighty as it was, Marly burst it with her first effort the moment one of the surgeons touched her feet, and she would have stamped him into nothingness had his colleagues not pulled him out just in time.

It was then decided to drug her with morphine, which was done with 40 grains.

Fortunately the beast did not recover her senses at any time during the progress of the work. Inch after inch the horny masses disappeared under the blows of the little ax until the feet had something like their normal size. Then a keen spokeshave was used to pare them down thoroughly. When this tool got down to the tender flesh fastened around Marly's middle and bolted to the sides of the pen. Heavy



"DOPED."

Marly began to kick spasmodically, and all hands got out in a hurry. But it was a false alarm, and the work was taken up again immediately.

After the feet had been entirely relieved of the horn, the cutting away of the diseased portions of the feet began. This, the most important and necessary, also was the most dangerous and exciting part of the operation. No one could tell how much longer the narcosis of the elephant would last, as this was the first one ever anaesthetized. At any moment the vast brute might awaken, and to awaken while the instruments were cutting away at the nerves of her foot meant that she would go mad with the pain. So swiftness of work was essential and the surgeons soon had tools going like lightning. Despite the great sensibility of an elephant's foot, it was found that there was so much gristle that

tirely. Even among women the telegraph and telephone have done much to make letter writing as it used to be practiced considered an out-of-date accomplishment. The feminine handwriting most characteristic today is that of women in the professions. These women write their own letters as a rule and are more accustomed to the pen than their society sisters.

Another Idea from Kansas.

Kansas has developed a new industry at Concordia, Mrs. Lottie Clark has for four months been undergoing a process of tattooing which makes her the most tattooed woman in the world. She has 185 designs on her body, including a picture of the battleship Maine and a picture of the head of Christ. She hopes to make a fortune as a living curiosity.

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