

PRICES OF WILD ANIMALS.

Interview with Karl Hagenbeck at His Wild Beast Show--Hagenbeck's Coming Show at Chicago.

one of the most important parts of my business, I undertake the establishment of menageries all over the world. I supply people with their buildings, with their animals, with their keepers with their trainers. Take, for instance, the zoological gardens at Cincinnati. I filled them from top to bottom. I recently made one in Rio Janeiro.

And can you tell me anything about the prices of wild animals, Mr. Hagenbeck? "Well," he replied, "prices differ so much from time to time, according to the fashion in wild animals, for I can assure you that there is as much fashion in wild animals as there is in ladies' dresses. Prices are always rising and falling, according as the animals come into market, and especially according to the variety. I can remember that once I sold in one day a cargo of African beards for \$30,000.

there," continued the clever trainer, pointing to a little animal fast asleep on a cross bar. "Now, listen," he went on, making a peculiar noise with his lips. At once the animal woke up, jumbled a reply in chimpanzee, flew to the bars of the cage, put his tiny paw out ready for the nuts which he knew were sure to be forthcoming, as indeed they were.



A fall grown hippopotamus is now worth \$1,000. A two-horned rhinoceros, which was worth \$300 in 1883, cannot now be obtained at any price. An Indian tapir costs \$500, an American tapir \$150. Elephants vary according to size and training, from \$50 to \$200. A good forest bred lion, full grown, will fetch from \$150 to \$200, according to the species. Tigers run from \$100 to \$150, according to variety. Do you know," he continued, "that there are five different varieties of royal tigers and besides there are the tigers which come

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VERY NEAR A TRAGEDY.

those on business, are never allowed within those potabe precincts. I stood a moment dazed and awestruck at the sight that presented itself to my gaze, until I was recalled to myself by the sudden laying hold of the flaps of my cloak by the great unheated claws of a Nubian lion. I leaped forward and the beast retired, growling, to the gloomy recesses of its cage.

from Java, Sumatra, Penang, and even from the bitter cold and dreary wastes of Siberia. Snakes are very much down in the market at present. Those which formerly fetched as high as \$200 can now be had for \$25. Very large ones sometimes run up to \$50. Leopards, \$35; black panthers, \$40 to \$50; striped and spotted panthers, \$25; Jaguars run from \$30 to \$100. A good

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At that moment Karl Hagenbeck came forward and gave me a hearty welcome, coupled with a word of warning not to go too near the cages. Mr. Hagenbeck is a tall, singularly pleasant looking man, with keen, kind eyes and a firm, decisive manner. He took me into his office and we sat down, whilst he told me something of the curious and interesting life which he has led so many years.

My father, he said, "started in life as a fish dealer in this town, and never dreamed that he would one day be the founder of the greatest menagerie in the world. But it chanced in the year 1848 some fishermen who usually traded with him brought him some very fine seals

which they had caught in their sturgeon nets. They were very fine animals and he was delighted with them. He therefore made a tour to Berlin, opened a small exhibition in Kroll's gardens and showed the seals for money. Then there came a revolution in the city, business was at a standstill, so he disposed of the seals for a small sum of money and returned to his fish dealer's shop in Hamburg.



But he was bitter with the wild beast fever; live animals had more attractions for him than dead fish, and so he told the fishermen that he would always be ready to buy any wild animals they might choose to bring him. A short time after that a sailor from a whaling vessel brought him a polar bear, which he exhibited here in Hamburg. It was a great novelty, and the people flocked in crowds to see it.

And what animals are you going to take to Chicago?" said I. "All," he replied. "I shall take a magnificent show there. All the animals are perfectly trained. There will be nine lions, five tigers, two panthers, three leopards, several bears, four bonobos, ponies, sheeps. These will all be mixed up together in small and large groups, and they will create a sensation. I venture to say that not even in America have lions and sheep been seen playing together before. I shall show full grown lions riding on horseback. A man will drive a chariot round the arena drawn by three lions. A splendid Nubian lion will follow him, seated in a chariot drawn by two tigers; and a tiger will ride a bicycle round the hippodrome every day."

TALKS WITH THE MONKEY.

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THE BEGINNING OF THE BUSINESS. The argument of the Democrats seems to be that any state has a right to be represented by a rascal if it wants to be. -Hartford Post.

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And so, gradually, he got together quite a small menagerie. But I am bound to say at first there was not much profit in it. When I left school in 1850, at the age of 15, he asked me whether I would be a fish dealer or a bear collector. I chose the wild beast. So he gave me \$150 which I was to spend as best I could in buying animals. Fortune favored me. I made some capital bargains, and in 1856 he handed the whole business over to me."

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