MANY BIRDS JABBER HUMAN LANGUAGE

Ordinary Parrot Often Excelled by Tropical Winged Creatures That Imitate Woman.

As one of the judges at the Express parrot competition I had an opportunity of noting, not by any means for the first time, the extraordinary public interest in talking birds, and also the capriciousness of the familiar gray parrots, which, although known to be the best talkers, require patience in those who want to hear them speak in company. Other parrots of less repute are often less shy, and sometimes speak as well, though undoubtedly intellectual ability is far more general

them speak in company. Other parrots of less repute are often less shy, and sometimes speak as well, though undoubtedly intellectual ability is far more general among the gray birds. I remember, someten years ago, seeing at a bird show at Oxford a specimen of the common green ring-necked parrakeet of India which continually talked during the exhibition.

Its voice was high and thin; but its request: "Walter, bring Polly pint of beer, quick, quick, quick," was unmistakable in its clearness. This bird was a hen, and sex often seems to influence the talking capacity of a parrot. A hen red-and-yellow macaw in the Calcutta zoological gardens, which had been received by exchange from the London Zoo. used to say "Come on, Cocky!" with absolute perfection of intonation, while her mate never said a word. In India I also heard of a specimen of the native green parrakeet which must have been an extraordinary talker. Its owner—a soldier—said that the bird (which, by the way, he did not want to sell) spoke English, Hindustani and Japanese, and picked up fresh expressions so readily that he was afraid to swear at the servants before it.

The Indian parakeets were those first known to the ancients, and the bird which belonged to Corinna, the beloved of Ovid, has been immortalized by the poet. It was, he said, more brilliant green than emeralds, with saffron bill, and its last words were "Corinna, farewell!"

Diplomatic Parrot.

Another Roman parrot was, like our

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It is a far cry, indeed, from ancient Rome to modern New Zealand, but from the latter country comes an anecdote of a political bird whose utterances were very much to the point. This was not a parrot, but a tui or parson bird. The tui is a large honeysucker about as big as a missel-thrush, with 'lovely bronze-black plumage, set off by a pair of white necktufts, recalling a parson's bands. It is a clever mocker and learns to speak.

This particular bird belonged to an old chief, Nepia Taratoa, whom, together with many other natives, Sir Walter Butler was once addressing on some matter of grave political import. The naturalist-politician, who tells the story against himself, had only just finished his speech when, before his master could reply, the tui called out from his cage overhead: "Tito" (false!) with unmistakable emphasis, It was too much for the audlence, and Nepia Taratoa himself, overcome with the rest, laughingly remarked that Sir Walter's arguments were sound enough, but that the bird was clever, and still unconvinced!

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The parson bird is a convincing proof of the fact that birds do not talk with their tongues, for, being a honeysucker, the tui has a long, extensible tongue, with a fringed tip, as unlike the numan tongue as possible. As a matter of fact, a bird's voice is formed in the syrinx, which is voice is formed in the syrinx, which is quite low down in the wincipipe, and, therefore, cannot have anything at all to do with its tongue in any case. Of other talking birds not of the parrot family the most celebrated is the Indian hill mynah, a large, thick-set starling, glossy black, with orange bill. In India, its native home, it is often kept as a pet, and when it talks really well is a perfect wonder to listen to.

A Total Abstainer. A Total Abstainer.

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The best I ever heard—in fact, the best talking bird of any kind I have met—belonged to a friend in Calcutta, and spoke in an absolutely human way, with a deep throaty voice. He required some coaxing before he would display his talents, and the method employed was to get a native servant—a very good fellow, but of somewhat bibulous tastes—to talk to him. So this worthy would squat down, and repeat—for he spoke English well—the mynah's own phrases to the bird. But the mynah would not say, "Who are you?" I'm off to London," or any other of his set phrases; instead, he would after a "I'm off to London," or any other of his set phrases; instead, he would, after a while, come out with "Not a drop to save my soul!" which sentence, when once started, he would continue to repeat at intervals with painful distinctness and apparent satisfaction.

The owner of this bird once had another which spoke equally well—but far less re-

which spoke equally well—but far less re-spectable. He had bought it as a talker, but in ignorance of the extent of its knowledge or the depth of its corruption, and when a lady came in to buy a talking mynah it was brought out for her observation. If I were to repeat what that wicked mynah said it would surprise the British matron.

Dangerous Handshake.

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The French journals have recently given publicity to a scientific discovery which may have a considerable influence upon one of the most ordinary usages of social intercourse. One M. Crouzel, a chemist at Bordeaux, has discovered that the human hand is largely occupied in sowing the seeds of all sorts of diseases. The hand, he says, is not only the most dirty but the most dangerous portion of our anatomy. It contains on the average 83,450,000 bacilli. Hence, he argues, people should never shake hands. We know already that it is dangerous to kiss; but now, as a French paper puts it, science is no less hostile to friendship than to love. All men, however, are not equal in this matter. You must not shake hands with a physician, surgeon, halrdresser or butcher—especially a pork butcher. Workers in metal are, however, much less dangerous, because the minute metallic particles form, under the influence of the hand's warmth, an antiseptic oxide. It is possible, M. Crouzel says, to protect yourself, if you must shake hands, by using soap and a nail brush for five minutes, plunging your hand in a warm alkaline solution, rinsing it with sterilized water, drying it on a sterilized rough towel, and finally washing it again in a solution of alcohol and ether. We commend this precaution to public men in general, and to the president of the United States in particular.—London Graphic.

A sea captain who has just returned from a Southern voyage tells me with great pride of the bravery displayed by his wife, who accompanied him, which on one occasion was instrumental, to say the least, in saving the ship. A gale had struck them off Cape Hatteras so fierce that it was feared the vessel would not live through it, and all hands expected to go down any moment. The captain was at the helm, nervous, excited, trying to keep the ship from being swamped. But

BIG FORTUNE FOR AN IDEA. Cash for Inventor of Scheme for Rais-

ing Sunken Timber. "If some scheme could be devised," said George W. Noble, of Stillwater, at the Plankinton, "by which the sunken logs which fill the beds of rivers and creeks in the logging sections of this country could only be recovered, immense fortunes would be made. Along the St. Croix waters it is estimated that logs enough are embedded in the sand the St. Croix waters it is estimated that logs enough are embedded in the sand of river bottoms to keep mills running for years. Under present conditions the loss is total, for no successful method has ever been devised to effect this saving.

"Occasionally logs cut years ago are forced by the washings of the floods from their sand beds and driven upon the shores, where the action of sun

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or other names your teachings may avail, tunes in sunken timber.

"Strange as it may appear, the value of the timber is not lessened, even after it has been submerged for half or quarter of a century. Efforts have been occasionally made to recover sunken logs. At one time a company was organized at Stillwater to dredge streams and thus recover some of the timber, but the plan did not work with any great degree of success, this method being found too expensive. Someone will come along some day

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CONTRACT WORK.

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The mynah found a home, for the next person who wanted one—who happened to be a legal practitioner—no sooner heard the bird's somewhat unduly racy vocabulary than he exclaimed, "That's the bird for me!" and carried it off in triumph.

Saiutes a Guest.

The house mynah of India, which is a neat brown bird with yellow legs and habits much like our own starling, is not so often heard of as a talker, but I knew one very good one in Calcutta, which was particularly free and friendly in conversation. As soon as one went to the cage it would commence to bow in regular starling fashion and to say "Mynah, mynah, pretty mynah! Call the dog! Jack, Jack, Jack, Jack, Jack with young to greater size and strength, is the piping crow, the "magple" of Australia, which is always on view at the crows' cages at the Zoo. This handsome pied bird has a beautiful whistle as his natural note, and in captivity he learns to pipe tunes and to speak with great readiness, and is very ready to show off his accomplishments in either direction.

Dancerous Handshake Paving Rosabel Street, From Sixth to Eighth Street, With Asphalt.

Sewer on South Robert Street, From Dearborn to Morton Street.

Office of the Board of Public Works, City of St. Paul, Minn., Feb. 16, 1904. Sealed bids will be received by the Board of Public Works in and for the corporation of the City of St. Paul, Minnesota, at their office in said city, until 2 p. m. on the 29th day of February, A. D. 1904, for the construction of a sewer on South Robert street, from Dearborn street to Morton street, in said city, according to plans and specifications on file in the office of said Board.

A bond with at least twe (2) sureties in a sum of at least twenty (20) per cent, or a certified check on a bank of St. Paul in a sum of at least ten (10) per cent of the gross amount bid, must accompany each bid. Said check shall be made payable to the Clerk of said Board.

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IDENTIFICATION AS AN ART.

Modern Detectives Look Toward Exactness in Cataloguing Criminals. The functions of the Italian police hav ately been extended by the adoption of a scientific method of training. This train

lately been extended by the adoption of a scientific method of training. This training includes a number of separate courses of study conducted in regularly organized schools. The courses include general identification methods by (1) photographic description, (2) by anthropometic description, (2) by anthropometic description, (3) by functional peculiarities, walk, speech, writing, etc., (4) psychic description, (5) personal history; specific identifications including criminal classification; the inductive method of crime detection; indications of the manner of death, and the classification of criminological data.

The pupils in the course are given lessons three times a week, and are taught not only the methods of M. Bertillon, but also methods determining the most striking characteristics for the purpose of preparing descriptive charts and anthropological data, and for the writing of telegraphic circulars in case of persons to be sought, identified, etc. The lessons and exercises are made with prisoners, photographs, corpses, and at places where crimes have been committed. Further, the pupils are exercised in practical criminal psychology by means of the memoirs of noted police chiefs and by interrogatories of the different classes of criminals.

Frequently one of the pupils is asked to identify in a group of photographs an individual, a few striking characteristics of whom have been given, such characteristics as may be comprised in a short telegram. The success of the instruction may be seen when it is stated that while at first the student is only able to detect the right man among a few photographs, in time the skill is such that the right face is indicated out of a total of more than 600 photographs.

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struction fits the police not-only for the detection of crime, but for the surveillance of all classes of society.—Police Scientific Review.

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The curtain is 2 13-16 inches thick. On the side toward the addence there is a course of corrugated steel. Back of this is a layer of magnesia-covered asbestos, concealed by a sheet of heavy asbestos. In making the curtain the steel frame for a typewriter and bookkeeper.

From all over New England, said the business man, jamming his pockets full.

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which is now in his house in London, together with many valuable art works, it was calculated that the total value of his art possessions abroad was about \$1,620,-

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Dorcester House gallery
Mannheim collection of Limoges
enamels and antiques.
Gavets' collection of antique
sculpture
Sir Joshua Reynolds' painting of
Lady Betty Helme and children
Rubens' portrait of a Grand
Duke
Balleroy Castle collection of anclent tapestries
Raphael's Madonna of St. Anthony of Padua
Gainsborough's Duchess of Devonshire

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"I see you have lots of applications," said the advertising manager to the business house manager who had advertised for a typewriter and bookkeeper.

"From all over New England," said the business man, jamming his pockets full. "But what some of the girls who answer are thinking of I cannot imagine. Here is one girl who will come fifty miles to take a place at \$5 a week."

"Can you tell much as to their qualifications by their letters?"

"Can I? Well. rather. For instance, there is the writing; there is the spelling of the words; there is the way the letter is put together; there is even the way the letter is put together; there is even the way the letter is folded. Ever think that letters are folded so as to save time nowadays?"

"No," said the advertising man. "It's all I can do to get the stamps to put on 'em. My stenographer folds' em all right, I guess. How should it be done?"

"Easy enough, simple enough, but folded wrong often enough," said the business man sententiously. "If your typewriter knows her business, she takes the sheet and folds it up from the bottom toward the top, leaving the proper width for the envelope, then over from right to left and from left to right—so. Then when your letter is opened it is right side up. See?"

"I see." murmured the advertising man. "And how many applicants fold their letters that way?"

"Oh, three or four out of a dozen, perhaps, Quite a commentary on business as she is taught, eh?" remarked the business man as he strolled away.—Spring-field Republican.

A Five-Ton Curtain.

Our Fluid Doubles.

Each human being has a fluid double. This is the assertion of Col. Albert Rochas, ex-administrator of the Polytechnic school and a well known physicist. He has just been making some remarkable experiments with hypnotized subjects. In the hypnotic state, Rochas says, this fluid equivalent of the human body rises above the latter and floats above his head, attached by an impalpable cord, like a captive balloon, Several experiments have been made with individuals to prove this.

Several hypnotists think that on account of the suffering the subject undergoes from these experiments it will be better to hypnotize animals for further investigation, as it is known that they, too, have this fluid double.—Chicago Chronicle.

There was a jury. The prosecuting attorney, zealous to punish the malefactor, proved that he had stolen more than fifty pounds of powder. He showed the man had stelen 250 pounds.

The jury went out. After half an hour word came to the judge that the jury wanted some instructions. They came in. The foreman said: "Your honor, we find that this man has stolen powder. Fifty pounds of it has been shown here and identified as powder taken from the stole 250 pounds of powder, and what we want to know is whether the fifty pounds of powder shown here as an exhibit is the identical fifty pounds of the stole 250 pounds of powder shown here as an exhibit is

scription."
"Oh, more than that!"
"Indeed?"
"Yes, It beggared her father."—Chicago Post.

Towne—The last time I saw Nervey he was going up to propose to Miss Roxley, and he behaved as if he actually had an option on her fortune.

Browne—Oh, all that has been changed. He got the refusal of it since then.—Philadelphia Press.

AQUEDUCT.

When stocks are watered, you will note
How fate may smile or frown;
Some bank accounts will gayly float,
And some, alas, will drown,
—Washington Star.

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St. Paul, Minn., 1904.

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My name is My address My References Are:

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