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Two Panthers, a Tiger, Six Anteaters and Other Beasts. Orang Shakes Hands Too Hard for Humanity. Tiger Takes a Stroll on the Afridi's Deck. A Dead Gibbon.

In a house unprovided on the main deck amidships of the Mogul liner Afridi, many strange creatures from tropical plains came to town yesterday. They didn't like the climate, but it was tempered to suit their congenial fancy by a hot stove, and all the chinks in their house were pasted over with paper and pasteboard. The Afridi is from Japanese and Chinese ports and Singapore. From China and Japan she brings tea and curios and from Singapore the warm-blooded creatures aforementioned.

In the collection are two black panthers, one wild orang-outang from Borneo, two crested pheasants, one porcupine, two wildcats, one half-grown Bengal tiger, six green and four red parrots, one bear cub, two big cockatoos, six anteaters, six red Chinese squirrels, one yellow cockatoo and two poisonous lizards. The menagerie is owned by Capt. Golding and Chief Engineer Hayes, who bought it.

A representative of The Bronx Zoo was aboard the ship yesterday making arrangements for buying the best of the collection. The orang-outang is a big, decrepit old fellow and not fond of human society. First officer Fentenith undertook to make friends with the lively animal. It grasped his hand with such force that the officer's wrist was broken. Two weeks ago the Bengal tiger gnawed apart a wooden bar of its cage, and, forcing its way through a papier mache door, found itself wandering out on deck. It found the door easily and started down the companionway, where it met Fentenith. The officer ran for his life. The tiger was more frightened than the officer, and scampered back to the cage.

While the Afridi left Singapore she had aboard a gibbon, which is a sort of anthropoid rarely seen here. It habitually walks erect, without the aid of its hands. It died on the trip, and instead of being brought to Broadway, the poor deer also succumbed to the rigors of sea life.

GRAND TRUNK GENERAL MANAGER.

George B. Reeve Appointed to Succeed C. M. Hays, Who Went to Southern Pacific.

MONTREAL, Que., Nov. 17.—George B. Reeve, formerly traffic manager of the Grand Trunk, has been appointed general manager of the Grand Trunk railway system in succession to C. M. Hays, appointed President of the Southern Pacific Railway. The news of Mr. Reeve's appointment came as a surprise, as it was generally believed in Canadian railway circles that the position would be given to Mr. McIntosh, the present general superintendent. The offer was made to Mr. Reeve, who is now living in California, by Sir Charles Wilson, President of the company. Mr. Reeve, signed his acceptance this morning and has left for Montreal.

George Bell Reeve, the new general manager of the Grand Trunk system, was born in Surrey, England, Oct. 28, 1840. He came to Canada in 1860, and since then has been continuously in the service of the Grand Trunk Railroad. He was freight clerk at Belleville, Ont., until he became telegraph operator from 1862 to 1867, telegraph operator until 1865, when he was appointed travelling agent. In 1866 he was appointed agent at Parkhill, Ont., where he remained until 1873, when he was appointed assistant general freight agent of the Grand Trunk with headquarters at Montreal. In 1874 he was chief of the western district and removed to Toronto, and in 1876 he took charge of the eastern district with headquarters at Sherbrooke, in 1878 he was moved to Montreal.

When the Grand Trunk Railroad was extended to Chicago in 1884 Mr. Reeve became active to represent its interests as traffic manager and was brought into contact at Chicago with the leading American railway men. In 1896, when the Grand Trunk Railroad acquired its Cincinnati, Saginaw and Mackinaw system, Mr. Reeve was placed in charge, and continued in that position until 1898, when he was general traffic manager of the Grand Trunk Railroad system with headquarters at Montreal. Mr. Reeve about a year ago decided to retire from active railway work and spend the balance of his life in California, where he had purchased an extensive orange grove. From that retirement he was now summoned to take the management of the Grand Trunk system.

Mr. Reeve is no doubt well qualified for the position, more especially as regards all matters connected with traffic relations. Personally he is one of the most popular of American railway men.

"THOU SHALT NOT STEAL."

Mrs. Shafer Arrested for Writing Those Words on a Postal Card to Her Sister.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Nov. 17.—Mrs. Addie C. Shafer of 86 Cottage street in this city is charged with having sent a postal card to her sister, Mrs. A. Wareheim of Glen Rock, Pa., upon which was written the commandment, "Thou shalt not steal." Now she must answer in the United States Court for misuse of the mails. Mrs. Shafer was arrested yesterday afternoon by officers from the Post office Department, who for some reason were very secretive about it. They called at the local police office and said they had an important arrest to make, but did not vouchsafe any information.

The arrest followed a long period of detective work, ordered by Postmaster General Wilson. Mrs. Shafer wanted examination and was bound over to the next term of the United States Court under a bond of $800, which was furnished by her father.

It is said that the trouble between Mrs. Shafer and her sister was over the sisters' relations to their father's estate. It is alleged that Mrs. Shafer sent postal cards to her sister upon which were Biblical quotations.

WERE STRIPPING THE HOUSE.

One of the Men Ran—The Other, Who Says He's an Officeholder, Caught.

F. Kornderfer, a druggist at 124th street and Lenox avenue, saw two men with an express wagon drive up to an unoccupied brownstone dwelling at 275 Lenox avenue at 10 o'clock yesterday morning. They went inside and in a short time came out carrying a heavy bundle. On the first trip the same express wagon was driven up to the house again and the same men began to remove the gas fixtures and chandeliers. Kornderfer invited B. Kerkman of 56 West 124th street, the agent of the house, when Kerkman said there never had loaded "no wagon and were stealing gas fixtures." Kornderfer invited Kerkman to follow the horse, and Detectives Kearney and Enright, who happened by, gave chase.

One of the men ran out of the house at 124th street and ran east. The driver was caught in front of 275 Lenox avenue by the detectives. A clerk in the street department said he told the driver he had been informed by the owner of the house to take the fixtures away. Altogether he had about $300 worth of stuff.

WENT TO HIS OLD HOME TO DIE.

Kinnear Had Pneumonia and the Wagon Journey Was Severe, but He's Getting Better.

ANSONIA, Conn., Nov. 17.—John Kinnear, a former resident of Seymour, but of late years living at Stratford, has been very ill of pneumonia. A consultation of physicians last Wednesday resulted in a decision that he was beyond recovery, and he was told that he had but a few days to live. The decision to die in his old home took possession of him, and as the physicians had intimated that he was well enough to be moved, a carriage and a Seymour ambulance went down to Stratford after him.

Wednesday, the day the journey was made, was a very cold day for the season, but the sun shone brightly, and the Kinnear party arrived at his home in good condition and no harm. A service of the physicians who were called to take care of him he began improving at once. The next day he was pronounced out of danger, but his cough was stronger and the fever lighter. He improved so much that strong hopes are entertained of his recovery.

Leaped Overboard as She Had Threatened To.

Mrs. Rebecca Barrer, who lives at 107 East Thirty-fifth street, told her twenty-year-old sister Josephine last night that she would put her out of the house if she did not mend her ways. Josephine said that she would go down to the dock and drown herself.

"That's another of your bluffs," remarked her sister.

Josephine went out and going direct to the foot of East Thirty-fifth street jumped into the river. She was picked up by the captain of a vessel that happened to be passing and taken to Bellevue Hospital. She was detained as a precaution against her further intention to commit suicide.

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