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Once Populous Cities Reclaimed by Jungle

The old question whether a thing can be lost when you know where it is applies in part to lost cities, because the sites of many of them are known and in some cases even the buildings and statuary are almost intact.

Now, however, their only inhabitants are the beasts of the jungle, lions prowl through their echoing halls, monkeys race across their fretted arches and snakes lurk in their dark dungeons or glide across their crumbling pavements.

For instance, the holy city of the Buddhists—Baraboedoer, in Java—had been forgotten for 600 years when Sir Stamford Raffles rediscovered it and its wonderful temple, the eighth wonder of the world, says a writer in London Answers.

The jungle of Siam has hidden its ancient capital, Ayuthia, for four centuries. Its inhabitants fled before the conquering Burmese, and never returned. It is now said to be the lurking place of thousands of enormous snakes.

Mystery surrounds the dead city of Tibet, which Captain Rawling discovered. It is a vast collection of palaces, monasteries and dwelling houses, but the Tibetans professed ignorance of its existence and also of the reason of its abandonment.

Five centuries ago Angkor had a population of three-quarters of a million. Today it is the dead city of Cambodia. The carved stone elephants, the immense causeways, the majestic temples, still remain, but the jungle has invaded the streets and squares.

Young Ducklings Early at Home in the Water

The woodduck, unlike most other ducks, usually builds his nest far from his natural element, water, writes Ellis Gilmore MacLeod in St. Nicholas. But no sooner are the eggs hatched and the ducklings about the size of bumblebees, than each parent bird takes a little one in its bill, wriggles through the opening in the chestnut tree or white oak which harbors the nest, and, with a quick glance lest some enemy may lurk near, flies swiftly overland to creek or water hole. Here the two tiny burdens are dropped gently into the water.

Without previous swimming lessons, these newly hatched mites dart over the surface of the water for the cover of marsh grass or lily pad where they hide until the return of their parents with more of their brothers and sisters.

The flight of the old ducks continues back and forth from the home nest to the water until the family of from 12 to 18 are assembled, when, at a soft call-note from the parents, every little paddler darts from cover and starts chasing water spiders, as if that were an old game.

His Way Out of Dilemma

The commanding officer looked down the charge sheet to see what type of case he had to deal with that morning.

Suddenly he started.

"Mutiny!" he muttered. "Private King charged with mutiny!" Then aloud: "Where is the corporal who made this arrest?"

"Here, sir," answered a corporal, stepping forward.

"Do you charge Private King with mutiny?" was the stern inquiry.

"I do, sir," was the reply.

"On what grounds?"

The corporal hesitated for a moment. Then:

"Well, sir," he said, confidentially, "It was really insubordination, but I didn't know how to spell that, so I put 'mutiny.'"

Heat Kills Germs

Radiant (or visible) heat was emphasized by Prof. Leonard Hill—at a recent meeting of the London Zoological society—as "most useful in helping caged animals to fight against infection" from tuberculosis. Hot-water pipes, he pointed out, though an economical way of raising temperature in the animal houses, do not provide all the benefits of radiant heat such as we know best in the form of sunlight and, in another form, in the domestic coal fire. In fact, central heating—excellent in its place—is not healthy heating, as the prevalence of tuberculosis in steam-heating countries such as Sweden, Russia and the United States goes far to prove.

Passed Over Bonanza

Although any '49er who made good in the gold rush to California in 1849 had no bone to pick with his fate, it is a comment that many of them and their brothers who were not so successful walked right over a rich bonanza in the southern part of Mexico, along the isthmus of Panama, over which many of them trekked. Along the river of the Winding Snake many '49ers walked on their way to the Pacific coast, little knowing that later prospectors would find a rich field of oil beneath their feet.

Honor in Installments

The officials of a certain church were anxious to obtain a "D. D." for their pastor, and a letter was sent to a certain "diploma mill" asking for terms.

As the price mentioned for the honor was twice as great as the church was prepared to pay, another letter was forwarded to the authorities stating that they would purchase one "D" now and the other when they had sufficient funds for the purpose.

DAIRY POINTS

FEED DAIRY COWS PROPERLY

Animal Requires Food In Accordance With Amount of Milk She Is Able to Produce.

Too many cows are underfed. A cow weighing 1,000 pounds needs each day, for the maintenance of her body, an amount of food equivalent to that supplied in 8 pounds of clover hay and 20 pounds of good corn silage. She must have this food regardless of whether she produces any milk. Food used for milk production must be in addition to that required to keep the



A Good Dairy Cow Must Have Some Grain.

cow's body. A 1,000-pound cow producing 20 pounds of 4 per cent milk a day, if properly fed, devotes about half of her feed to maintenance and half to milk production. Obviously when a dairyman has gone to the expense of supplying that half of the food required for maintaining the cow's body, it is poor economy to withhold any of the other half, all of which goes to produce milk. A cow then requires feed in accordance to the amount of milk she is able to produce. The heavy producer needs the most feed.

Farm-grown roughages (silage, hay, etc.) furnish the cheapest food nutrients. However, a good dairy cow cannot eat enough roughage to supply her needs for milk production. She must have some grain. Therefore, to feed with the most economy the following rules must be observed, says the University of Missouri College of Agriculture.

1. Feed all the roughage a cow will eat. She will eat more if fed three times a day instead of twice.

2. Feed grain in proportion to the pounds of milk produced.

To a Jersey or Guernsey cow feed one pound of grain for each three to three and one-half pounds of milk produced.

To a Holstein, Ayrshire, or Shorthorn feed one pound of grain for each four to four and one-half pounds of milk produced.

PREVENT SCOURS IN CALVES

One of the Most Common Causes of Ailment Is Dirty Pails and Feeding in Wooden Troughs.

Calves may get scours from several causes, but one of the common sources is dirty pails and the practice followed of feeding in wooden troughs. A good rule is to keep the calf buckets as clean as the milk pails. The farmer who uses a swill pail for feeding calves or who hangs the pail on a post between feedings without washing it will be looking for a cure for calf scours. With warm weather and the fly season at hand extra precaution must be taken in caring for the pails. They should be washed thoroughly after each feed and sterilized either with steam or hot water and then inverted in a clean place until used again.

GIVE CALF SOME ATTENTION

Stunted Heifer Will Never Develop Into Profitable Cow—Provide Shade and Water.

The calf is often very much neglected from the time it is six until it is twelve months of age. A heifer stunted by the lack of suitable food will never develop into as good a cow as one kept growing from birth to maturity. During summer while the young animals are on pasture not much attention is needed, as pasture grass furnishes the best and cheapest feed available. Shade and an abundance of fresh water are two essentials which the careful herdsman always provides.

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Fresh Grass for Cows.

Mow the pasture to kill off weeds. Fresh grass, free of weeds, makes it possible for your cows to produce more and better milk.

Take Care of Cans.

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