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## THE KLIPSPRINGER.

A South African Animal That Resembles the Chamois of Europe.

The Klipspringer, or klipbok, as it is often called by the colonists, seems, like the chamois of Europe, to be created for no other purpose than to complete and adorn a mountain landscape. Although smaller than its distant cousin of the snowy Alps, the klipspringer yields neither to it nor to any other mountain dweller in the world in the ease with which it can get about the most difficult and dangerous rocks and precipices. To watch a pair of these little antelopes bounding with the elasticity of a piece of india rubber up and down the precipitous face of some yawning cliff or sheer mountain wall or on to pinnacles and ledges that might startle even a Rocky mountain goat, displaying the while a coolness and lack of fear born of countless generations of a climbing ancestry, is to watch the very perfection of wild life upon the mountains. Certainly in all South Africa there is no more charming or wonderful sight than the klipspringer amid its own wild mountains, kloofs and krantzes.

About 2 feet in height at the shoulder—sometimes a trifle more—the klipspringer is a sturdily built little buck. The ram carries short, sharp, poniardlike horns about 4 inches in length; the ewe is hornless. One great peculiarity of the klipbok lies in its olive brown coat, which is thick and very brittle to the touch. Each hair is hollow, and the whole coat is singularly light and elastic. Among the colonists, and especially the Boers, the hair of the klipspringer is in consequence in great demand for stuffing saddles. The legs are robust, as they need to be, the pasterns singularly stiff and rigid, while the tiny hoofs are hollow, somewhat jagged at the edges and exactly adapted for obtaining foothold on the most difficult mountain sides.—London Spectator.

## Value of Kindness in Animal Training.

Vicious horses are generally the result of a violent, barbarous training, and when the greater number of the horses in any country are tricky and hard to manage it means that they belong to a brutal population. From time immemorial the contrary has been the case among the Arabs, where colts are brought up and exercised with almost maternal solicitude. The child amuses itself by petting and playing with the colt of which he is some day to be the rider, and the horse and his cavalier grow up together. The earliest education of the young animal begins in the family, in the same tent. The colt is constantly looked after and caressed and is never chastised except for acts of malice or disobedience. He is given the choicest dainties of food and is gradually accustomed to make himself useful. When the bit is put in his mouth, the iron is covered with wool, so that it shall not bruise his lips, the wool having been dipped in salt water to give it a pleasant flavor and make him like it. The animal's education is thus always carried on with constant discretion, and even after it is completed the trainers never indulge in blows or hard words. By such association a real bond of friendship is formed between the beast and his rider.—M. C. Letourneau in Popular Science Monthly.

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## NOTICE

The property on the corner of King and New St., belonging to the estate of the late Catherine McKinnon, (as per a 4 year unexpired lease, from May 1st, 1898, will be sold by Public Auction on Tuesday, May 3rd, 1898, at 12 o'clock, noon.  
This property is now known as the Filial House. Terms Cash.  
M. P. HIGGAN, PATRICK BLUFF, Executor.

## THE DANCE.

Antiquity of the Sir Roger de Coverley and the Skirt Dance.

An old gentleman of my acquaintance told me once that he still dances "Sir Roger de Coverley." "I enjoy that dance with all the nerve, sinew and muscle left to me at the age of 70," he said, "if only in honor of its time honored name."

Did you know that this supposed "time honored" dance has no real antiquity to recommend it, since, although it was not "made in Germany," it really belongs to a period when most English customs became modernized with the advent of Dutch William.

That worthy but fictitious knight, Sir Roger de Coverley, was simply a creation of Addison's, who first introduced him in The Spectator of March 2, 1711, with the remark that his great-grandfather was the inventor of that famous country dance which is called after him, which humorous assertion doubtless many years subsequently gave rise to the well known tune, but country dances, pure and simple, were fashionable at the court of King Charles II, were of French origin and replaced the old English jig, also derived from the tune, and which is mentioned by Shakespeare (Hamlet addressing Ophelia, act 3, scene 1).

"Country" dance is merely a corruption of the French "contre," because the dancers faced each other.

Sir Roger is aduced by Addison as typical of a country squire of the reign of Queen Anne.

In the original dance the first lady and bottom gentleman had to kiss each other when they met in the center, and so on, throughout the performance.

What is much more interesting on the score of antiquity is the modern "skirt dance," which can be traced almost to prehistoric times. An Anglo-Saxon lady may be seen in the act of performing a veritable skirt dance to the music of a lyre and flute in one of the contemporary illuminations at the British museum. She is the object of much admiration to the spectators.

The oldest and most stately dances of England were those of the court of Queen Elizabeth—the "Corantos," the "Galliards" and the very ancient "Pavil," while the "Lavolta" answered to our old fashioned slow time waltz.

The cotillon, by the way, simply means the under petticoat, as its name implies. It was so termed from the necessary exposure of those garments by ladies when holding up their gowns.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

## EVILS OF BARGAIN SALES.

Bargain Hunting Demoralizes Purse, Conscience and Trade.

Strange inconsistencies and perversions are revealed in the feminine character when a woman becomes addicted to bargain hunting, according to Carrie E. Garrett, in an article on "The Bargain Mania," in The Woman's Home Companion. "Sometimes the proud possessor of a bargain will make the most extraordinary and expensive efforts to save it from such oblivion, as in the case of the lady who bought some bargain buttons. She waited a reasonable length of time, thinking they would 'come in,' and, as they never came in, she purchased a dress to match them. Such heroic action is not at all uncommon among bargain hunters. This was the same lady who purchased a bargain smoking set and, having no earthly use for it, began the pernicious habit of smoking cigarettes after dinner.

"It is odd how such a woman will gloat over a bargain and on the strength of the brilliant transaction immediately commit some extravagance to offset it. 'Well, as this was so cheap, I can afford to buy that.' Then will she patiently go to many stores and obtain regular prices in order to establish the character of the bargain as such. But what is her anguish of mind if she discovers that she might have bought the same article a little cheaper at some other place! A woman constantly possessed of the bargain idea is likely to carry it into all her dealings with mankind—social as well as commercial. Aside from the economic standpoint, the spirit of ever seeking to get more than one pays for is, to say the least, not mentioned in the catalogue of Christian virtues. She is likely to be penny wise and pound foolish, extravagant of time and money, and, oh, worse than all these, badly dressed! Choosing one's clothes fortuitously at bargain sales is apt to result in an incongruous assortment of merchandise difficult to knit together in one harmonious whole."

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