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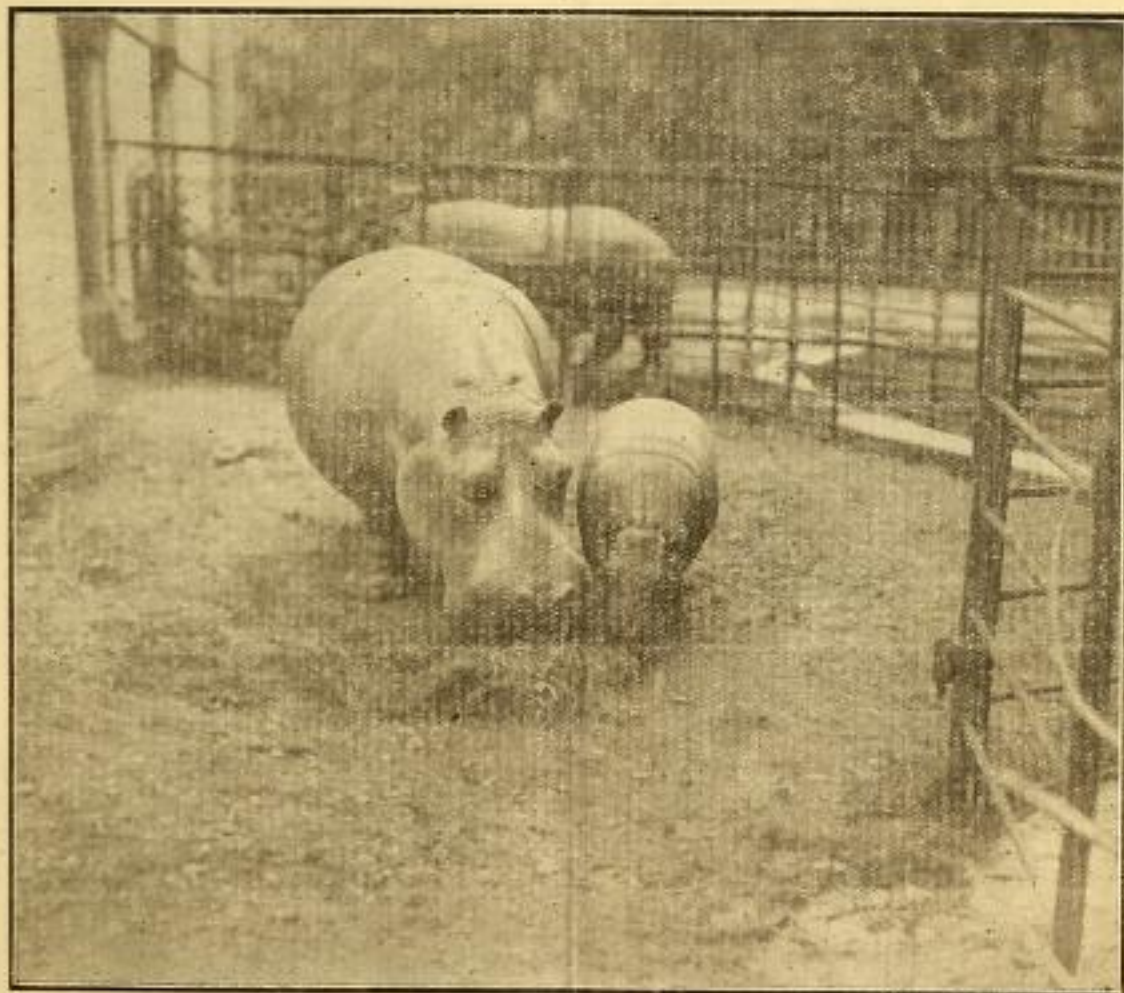
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The Editor will be pleased to receive sporting articles and reminiscences, as well as items of news and reports of sport from all parts of the world. If stamped directed envelope be enclosed, the contributions will be returned if unsuitable.



The above photograph shows the twelve month old Hippopotamus with his mother which I am now offering for sale. I do not consider it advisable for the youngster to undertake the sea voyage until April, when it will be deposited in the Zoological Gardens, Regents Park, for sale. Price on application.



Horsbrugh took with him from England a quantity of bird food thought suitable for the paradise birds when in captivity, but experience showed this to be useless, and after many experiments he at length devised a mixture comprising various dried fruits which, when combined with a proportion of the flesh of dead relatives, suited the captives admirably. The lecturer has travelled through the wilds of many tropical countries, and it was due to his long experience with natives and jungles that his expedition to New Guinea in 1908 proved so successful. The capture of the birds was left entirely in the hands of the natives, it being practically impossible for a white man to penetrate the jungles. The journey home almost proved disastrous owing to the lack of suitable accommodation on the small boats plying between New Guinea and Australia. Eventually the consignment reached London in the personal charge of Mr. Horsbrugh, much to the delight of bird-lovers.

At the close the Chairman (Mr. A. M'L. Cleland) proposed a vote of thanks to the lecturer, which was passed with acclamation.

### General Notes.

By JOHN D. HAMLYN.

THAT the famous performing Ourang Outang has died in Rome of Spanish Influenza.

THAT I deeply regret the death of Lord Sherborne better known as the Hon. and Rev. Canon Dutton. This learned gentleman was a very old customer of mine. I also have to announce the death of Miss Alderson, the esteemed Secretary of the "Avicultural Magazine."

THAT Mr. C. Barnby Smith contemplates a trip to New Zealand.

THAT "The Books of a Naturalist," by W. H. Hudson, Hodder and Stoughton, London, 1919, price 12/- net, is well worth perusing.

THAT Miss Chawner enquires in "Avicultural Notes" as to the arrival of the Cuban consignment,

"What are the Blue Birds and the Red and Green Butterfly Birds?" I am afraid they are ordinary Indigoes and Nonpareils in colour. The fancy names were those sent me by my collector.

THAT it is quite a new departure in journalism and Magazine life for a dealer to be given gratis a list of his imaginative arrivals occupying nearly two pages. If the "Avicultural Magazine" afforded me the same privilege, I could fill the whole of their Magazine with genuine arrivals the last 3 months. It is of course, an acknowledged fact that I receive more straightforward consignments than the rest of the other dealers in Great Britain, I mean stock which has paid freight, and the usual importation charges. I am the only Dealer in Great Britain who has three collectors abroad. The Editor is welcome to continue giving Mr. Rogers a free advertisement.

THAT I have received a very interesting letter from the Game Conservator for Zululand. He writes complaining of the great slaughter of animals from one end to the other of Zululand outside his Game Reserves. He caught last year a young black rhinoceros for the Durban Zoo, and is now trying to secure a white rhinoceros from the Mfolozi Reserve for the same Gardens. I am promised descriptive articles from Zululand which I look forward to with pleasure.

THAT Dr. Peter Chalmers Mitchell's flight over Africa has met with misfortune. Some half way over the machine crashed to the earth, the learned Doctor and his companions having a close shave. I trust he will ultimately arrive at his destination safe and sound.

THAT the Crystal Palace will re-open on June 1st and continue until October with the Great War Exhibition with important sections devoted to industry and commerce. Applications for concessions in the Amusement Section are now invited for scenic railway, joy wheel, side shows, etc. All applications must be made to Mr. Henry James Buckland, General Manager, Crystal Palace, S.E. 19.

THAT a huge Gorilla was killed in the forest of Bambio, Central Africa. It stood over 9 feet high, and weighed about 600 lbs. An excellent