

For all its outward shabby appearance, the interior of the cabin was neat. From the low ceiling there hung a rusty gas lantern, on the walls were bulging bookcases, and on the floor was the old man.

After they buried him we reconnoitered the cabin. Everything about it was regular excepting one thing. In one of the closets was a smartly tailored pin striped suit with tails, complete with a black silk topper.

And with this notation I end my little story. But then again' maybe it is really the beginning of the story, for as far as I have been able to learn, Old Jack had never been married.

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SCIENTIFICALLY SPEAKING

The noted Bio-Philo-Dosimer, Dr. Scrouge McPhleecem has undertaken to dispell some of the confusion between the Monitor Lizard and the Mongoose in a paper recently released by the Canadian Wildlife Association. It seems that the belief that the Monitor Lizard will give warning of the approach of crocodiles (whence it has received its name) has been exploded as a myth by the devoted work of Britain's famous Dr. Hector Pillsbury. In 1888, Dr. Pillsbury undertook an expedition to the crocodile-infested banks of the Nile and there set up camp seeking to find out whether or not the Monitor Lizards, which also abounded in that area, would give him warning of any crocodiles that might descend with dire intent upon his camp. Well, since Dr. Pillsbury hasn't been heard from since, it is the consensus of scientific opinion that the legend of the Monitor Lizard had no basis in actual fact. Now, since the Mongoose will not give warning of approaching crocodiles either, the two have been confused in many scientific circles; and Dr. McPhleecem has contributed greatly both to the intensification and the dissolution of this confusion in his recent paper, by pointing out that according to the results of his intense investigations, the crocodile, the Monitor Lizard, and the Mongoose, are all three parasitised by DRACUNCULUS MEDINENSIS, and, after all, who would want to tip the hand of one that is sharing his burdens?