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By the German steamer *Elberfeld*, leaving on Monday, a collection of wild animals and birds made at Singapore by the late Comte de Lagrange and M. Leroy is being shipped to Genoa for the Zoological Garden at Nice. The collection comprises a large and a small elephant, four tigers and a cub, a rhinoceros, two black and a spotted panther, a large and five small orangutang, one red, one white and ten black monkeys, two cassowaries, two peacocks, six argus pheasants, 23 crowned pigeons, two toucans, eight Nicobar pigeons, and a large number of other birds of the Malay Peninsula.

Here is an antiquated relic of the middle ages from Australia. Says the *Brisbane Courier*, in connection with the proposal, in view of the financial position in Australia, to set apart a special day for public humiliation and prayer, "We have before us a religious paper of Sydney which regards the Queensland floods as a direct visitation from God, and which looking for 'reasons,' as it declares every thinking man must do, finds them in the Contagious Diseases Acts and in black labour. The same paper presumably has since found reasons for the floods and financial calamities which have fallen so heavily on New South Wales." As the *Courier* remarks this kind of thing is outrageous and utterly vitiates any proposal or action taken on the strength of it, ignoring as it does the principle, vitally essential to intelligent action, that special suffering does not indicate special ill-desert. Fin