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Note 27 Book WRITING 1d.[pence]

No. 27. Edgar R Waite The Museum Leeds. November 9th 1891 to January 4th. 1892 [1]

November 1891 9. Received letter from C.I. Evans, Ackworth re[garding] Grey Phalarope &[and] wrote note for the Naturalist. Attended German Class at the College in the Evening.10. Sent draft note on Albinos to A.D. Bartlett at the Zoo. Received P[ost] Card from Berlin Zoo. Spent noon with Roebuck and wrote up part of Annual Report. [2]

Nov[ember] wrote note on Marsh Harrier in Linc[oln]s[hire] for the "Naturalist" Received letter from Mr. Bland to say he would put me up at Scarb[o]ro[ugh]! In the evening I wrote up minutes of last Saturdays Y[orkshire].N[aturalists'].U[nion] Executive meeting.11.Spent noon with Birch &[and] at night I made an enlarged sketch for the Cover of the Naturalist.12. Backhouse sent me the Plover to draw [3]

from, a miserable little specimen and in a wretched condition. Spent noon with Roebuck on the Annual Report and at night went with Major &[and] the Misses Green to Hamilton's Panerama*[Panorama]13. At 3.30 I left for Scarb[o]ro[ugh] &[and] arrived at 5.55. Went to Blands had tea &[and] then to the "Grand Hotel to see to the arrangements of the Scarb[o]ro[ugh] Naturalists. Spent the remainder of the evening on the Spa with [4]

Nov[ember] Miss Bland and Miss Tugwell.14 Got up at 6.0 and went out with Walter along the South Side Saw the day break over the sea and returned to breakfast at 8.0 after- wards I called at the Grand &[and] then went to the Museum and saw Phillips with regard to the General

Committee &[and] the Sections. Met Roebuck at 11.15 returned to the Museum wrote Agenda finished Report &c[et cetera]&c[et cetera] &[and] returned to my hosts [5]

at <2> 1. O'clock for dinner after which I again went to Museum where we finished our preparations Sectional meetings 3.<30> In V[ertebrate] Zool[ogy] We passed a resolution in favour of a new Committee to work with corresponding B[ritish].A[ssociation for the Advancement of Science]. Committee to protect wild Birds' Eggs. At 4.<30> General Committee met Prof[essor] Green in Chair I read Report which included the recom- mendation that I be joint Editor of Naturalist Adjourned to the grand [6]

Nov[ember] &[and] had tea at 5.30 At 7.0 the Public meeting was held Green giving his address, followed by a Conversazione at which Champley's Nine Great Auk's Eggs were exhibited.15. After breakfast I had a walk in the rain with Walter along the North Shore as far as Scalby and at night to the Parish Church.16 I knew Roebuck was staying over Saturday with Rowntree but I was surprised to find him [7]

at the station at 8.20 We journeyed together &[and] arrived in Leeds 10.30 Received letter from Clarke asking me to see a copy of MacGillivray's Birds in the town &[and] one from Hoyle (Manchester) asking me to see some minerals which had been offered to him. Went down to Miles &[and] saw the book &[and] to the New Waverley Hotel about the Minerals. I arranged to see them in Roundhay Road on Wed[nesday]. At 7.0 I attended the Council meeting of L[eesds].N[aturalists'].C[lub]. [8]

Nov[ember] and at 8.0, the German Class at College the Demon Neuralgia has returned.17. At night I attended lecture of Phil[osophical] Soc[iety] &[and] worked the lantern Sir Rob[ert] Ball, on Krakatoa.18. At noon I went to see the minerals for Hoyle &[and] saw also the Roundhay Park Electric tramway. At night I wrote Articles on Sirex juvenis at Adel Testacella scutulum at Headingley. [9]

Circus aeruginosus in Lincolnshire (my London Specimen) for the Naturalist and sent off "Albinos and white varieties" to the Zoologist.19. Gave the "Articles" to Roebuck. Wrote to Miall and asked him if he could help me in the matter of having lantern slides made at the College. On leaving the Museum I went to Fallowfield to tea and attended a [10]

Nov[ember] Council meeting of the Leeds Geol[ogical] Ass[ociatio]n at 7.30 after which I returned and spent the evening at Fallowfield During the day Uncle Banks had called from Arthington &[and] told me that Whitham has asked me to go over next Saturday I arranged to walk with Roebuck. Received ticket from the Committee at the International Photographic Exhibition for Conversazione at Art Gallery Dec[ember] 7th Replied to a letter [11]

from Stead Heckmondwike accepting Feb[ruary] 23rd as the date of my lecture.20. Wrote Backhouse re[garding] the little Plover, and in the evening wrote up part of Minutes of Annual Meeting Y[orkshire].N[aturalists'].U[nion]21. Met Roebuck at three Horse Shoes at 1.30. We walked to Arthington by the Old Otley Road &[and] then round to Bramhope and called at Whithams. my friend left by 4.45 train but I stayed until 9.26 Met Arthur Whitham &[and] spent a pleasant evening [12]

Nov[ember]22 Spent all morning &[and] part of afternoon in drawing Cover for Naturalist After tea I took Rose out by Horsforth &c[et cetera].23. Had tea with Birch we went to the L[eesds].N[aturalists'].C[lub]. Council meeting together I then went to Roebucks &[and] we made up the Dec[ember] No[umber] of the "Naturalist" and at 8.0 O'clock I went to my German Class at

the College - <Received invitation> Took some negatives for 'Animals Clothes'. Miall wrote me that Miss [13]

Ramsden was too busy to make me any lantern slides.24. Spent all the evening at the Cover of the "Naturalist" except the time occupied in making positives for the lantern.25. Sent in my drawing of "Naturalist" cover to McCorquodale's to be Zincographed. At night I called on W. Teasdale re[garding] photos of the Zoo.26. Took 6 negatives and developed them in the evening. I am [14]

Nov[ember]. Dec[ember]. at present getting out Vol[ume]:II of the Leeds Nat[uralists'] Club Transactions which I undertook to do on Wager leaving the town.27. Gurnell went home to tea with me and I gave him a lesson in photography. I took some negatives during the day, and developed them at night and also made positives from the negatives taken yesterday. [15]

30. Attended Council Meeting of L[eesds].N[aturalists'].Club at Addyman's Office at 4.0 and German Class at College at 8.0Dec[ember] 1. Dined with Gurnell At 5.0 I attended Phil[osophical] Soc[iety]. Council. At 6.0 I saw Roebuck &[and] drew up our new Prospectus "Naturalist" Spent what was left of the evening in correcting &c[et cetera] proofs of L[eesds].N[aturalists'].Club Tran- sactions.2. Attended Council of [16]

Dec[ember] Leeds Nat[uralists'] Club at 4.0 Audited accounts with Stubbins.3. Rev[erend] Mr Eayrs called to fix particulars of the visit to Museum on the 12th inst[ant]4. Uncle &[and] Aunt Banks came to Headingley to spend a few days Received letter from Backhouse re[garding] his plovers. Fortune called &[and] showed me a live L. rufescens the red replaced by a golden yellow.5. Backhouse called &[and] took away the Plover [17]

In the afternoon I took Rose to Irvine's he fell a week ago &[and] broke the patella of his 'sound' leg. he is now in bed &[and] has to remain there for at least 10 weeks We then went ou*[out] to Adel Dam. A Teal got up with a quack &[and] flew round us many times, there were 7 or 8 Barnacle Geese on the water which quietly paddled off Coots were also in evidence they flew [18]

Dec[ember] heavily away close over the water and flopped down again as is their wont. A large flock of T. pilaris passed over &[and] water voles were in the Beck.6. Took Aunt to see Rose in the afternoon.7. Took Rose to Conversazione of International Photo[graph]s - Exhibition at Art Gallery.8. Made frame for Lantern slides and at noon I went with Uncle to Cattle Show met Miss Bowling &[and] W[illia]m there - invited me to [19]

stay overnight tomorrow which I agreed to do. At 8.55 I met cousin W[illia]m. G.W. from Huntly who breaks his journey here to South Africa.9. Wrote A. Keighley re[garding] Photos of Ryddlesden. I received a letter &[and] bill of Science Lectures at Huddersfield found my lecture put down as "The Clothing of Birds" instead of "Animals' Clothes" wrote J.J.Stead &[and] enclosed an epitome of lecture. There are to be 6 lectures 5 by Leeds men viz[videlicet = namely] Miall [20]

Dec[ember] Smithells, Jefferson, Self &[and] Kendall the 6th by Cole. After leaving the Museum I went on to Fallowfield &[and] spent the evening. TJB &[and] Mrs. B being there all staying over night.10. Rev[erend] Atkinson called to remind me of the lecture on Thursday, developed some negated &c[et cetera]. I attended Annual meeting of Leeds Nat[uralists'] Club &[and] Alex Keighley wrote and promised me a photo of Ryddlesden.11. Wrote Backhouse Soppitt &[and] Butterel re[garding] Testacella. [21]

and Mr. Paul for a contribution on Meteorology (water temperature) to the "Naturalist". Started with the Neuralgia again it is not usual to enter in ones diary that the writer drunk ¼ glass of stout,

but I did so to night the first "drink" I have had since I joined the Rifles in 1883.12. In the afternoon I took about 60 members of an "Improvement" Soc[iety] in a demonstration at the Museum when we [22]

Dec[ember] came out snow was falling heavily &[and] lay 2 inches deep on the ground.13. At 2.30 I took Rose to the Sunday afternoon performance of the Messiah in the Coliseum, W.Hall. Conducting he was pre-sented with a bound full-music sized copy of the Messiah for his past musical services in connection with Brunswick Chapel.14. Neuralgia much better. Saw Birch at noon who could not remove my [23]

tooth on account of the swelling - Saw Miss Blan- -shard off at 10.30. She had been staying at No.42 since the 11th. Received a proof of Nat[uralists] Cover with type set. Atkinson called &[and] asked me to tea on Thursday before my lecture. My 'lecture' at Museum on Sat[urday] last reported in the Mercery.15. Joined Roebuck at noon to make up Jan[uary] No[number] of Nat[uralist] he told me that Old Jno[John] Plant the Curator of the Salford [24]

[Newspaper clipping] LOCAL AND GENERAL. The "ART OF SELF-DEFENCE" AMONG ANIMALS. - By the kindness of Mr. Edgar Waite, F[ellow of the].L[innean].S[ociety of London].(in response to a request from the Rev[erend] Geo[rge] Eayrs), the members of the Ventnor-street M.N.C. Mutual im-provement Society, accompanied by their friends from Woodhouse-lane and the Rev[erend] H. Hawley, paid a visit to the Museum, Park-row, Leeds, on Saturday afternoon, and listened to an interesting address on the topic, illustrated by photographs and natural specimens arranged in cases. The lecturer divided the creatures (as to their defences) into groups - those covered with hair, feathers,&c[et cetera]; those covered with spines and scales; and those possessing the powers of mimicry and imitation. The lecture was highly appreciated, and a vote of thanks to Mr. Waite was moved by the Rev[erend] Tho[mas]s Rider, seconded by the Rev[erend] Geo[rge] Eayrs), and carried unanimously. [24A]

Museum was resigning he has £[pound]400 a year. At night I wrote out Epitome of lecture for use on Thursday. At 3.30 I attended the Committee of P[hilosophical] S[ociety] appointed to deal with our defective roof. Major Green ill again16. Made negatives &[and] lantern slides for my lecture and at night worked the lantern at Phil[osophical] Hall Dr Cameron on some Sanitary matters, this was one of the [25]

College lecture and I am to be paid for my attendance.17. Atkinson called. A wretchedly foggy day. In the afternoon Rose called at Museum to say her Father was worse &[and] that Dr Smith suggested a Consultation with Jessop. I secured by telephone an en- -gagement at 11.30 tomorrow to see Child re[garding] the Majors will. On leaving Museum [26]

I took a bus to the New Inn Dewsbury Road. The fog was intensely &[and] we had several narrow escapes once we did collide I then went on to Mr. Robinson's &[and] had a cup of tea with Alfred. At 6.30 I set off for Church Street &[and] had to grope my way over Hunslet Moor in the fog. I at length reached Atkinson's house in Leek Terrace Church St[reet] &[and] had [27]

tea - then on to the schools where I gave about 40 or 50 my lecture on "Animals' Clothes" A tram took me to Boar Lane &[and] another to Headingley where I arrived about 11. Called to see the Major and found him very ill. Went off home. At 1.30 I was knocked up by Rose and went across found her Father very exhausted and almost suffocating [28]

(his heart is affected) I put him alright and stayed until 4:30 when I went off home again18 Saw the Major this morning and evidently unable to meet Jessop. Called on Dr Smith as I was not in.

Later I telephoned Smith and broke off engagement with Jessop. Called on Child, the matter to stand over until the Major is better or worse. [29]

an interim will has been signed. Received a Platinotype Print of Ryddlesden Hall, from Alex[ander] Keighley. As I went home I saw the D[octo]rs carriage at the Major's doors &[and] went in they had seen Jessop &[and] Rose told me he had said that her Father could not live many weeks. After tea I went over again brought down a bed stead &[and] fitted it up again for him. I took to McCorquodales [30]

Dec[ember] part of the "make up" of the Leeds N[aturalists'] Club Transactions Vol[ume] II.19. Called on Jolliffe who will write to the Town Clerk of Salford re[garding] Curatorship of Peel Park Museum.20. Sunday. In the morning I went down to see the Doctor re[garding] Major Green and spent the afternoon with the last named.21. Horrible dense fog all over. At noon I went to see Birch by appointment in [31]

order to have an old fang drawn but found him in bed ill. Husband paid me 5/- for working the lantern on the 16th. inst[ant] - Camerons' lecture.22. Fog again. Today I turned out the store room at the Museum the first time it had been touched for many a year. Wrote to Miss Bowling.23. Took home two corked Insect (Book) Boxes and a few insects. The Fog [32]

is raging again but with a falling Bar- -ometer it is improving It is said that the fog on the 21st &[and] 22nd was more intense than any which has occurred since 1868.-24. Fog as bad as ever - horrid, dense yellow looked up all my pupae and corked some of the drawers in my Cabinet at night. Jolliffe sent me a letter he had received from Salford saying that the post of Curator would be [33]

advertised, in the usual way. In addition to the fog a keen frost has prevailed on the 21st the Minimum Thermo[meter] registered 19°[degrees]. My glasses in the garden containing the leeches others with newts Testacellae &c[et cetera] were frozen, in all the method was the same a thick crust formed, this was frozen fast to the sides of the vessel and when further freezing took place the glass did not break [34]

E[dgard].R[avenswood].W[aite]. Resignation of John Plant Peet Park Salford [34B]

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but the ice was forced up in the centre forming a mound perhaps two inches in height which then cracked across as further expansion took place thus:- [sketch] In one glass which had a glass cover the cover had been frozen fast at the edges, and was cracked pieces of glass being [35]

borne up on the mound of ice. Redihalg brought me Jour[nal] New York Micro[biology] Soc[iety] Vol[ume] V No[number]. 2 Con taining an article on Termites to which J. Beaumont whom I met at the Museum had contributed I had previously received a reprint of the Article. On referring to it I found that it was not a reprint but a Separate Article - W.Chadwick called and told me that he had [36]

picked up a Gull at Colwell Bay on the 18th. he did not know the species &[and] would give it to me.25. Xmas[Christmas] Day. - I spent the morning with the Insects. W. Chadwick brought the Gull

which I found to be a "€[female] Kittiwake, &[and] skinned it. Fog not so bad.26. Bank Holiday. I was on duty at the Museum as usual. All the Fog has now dissipated and the thermometer stands at 17°[degrees] min[imum] Father &[and] Mrs W[aite] went off to Walton until [37]

Monday. I dined at the Major's &[and] spent afternoon there.27. Sunday. Spent the morning in looking through some old bills and got out the following:- School. The Misses Vollans Dec[ember] 17th. 1872 to June 22 1874 School The Misses Dewhirst. Oct[ober] 1874 to June 1876. School. L[eads] P[ublic] C[???] Middle Class. April 12 1877 to Xmas[Christmas] 1882. Music. Miss A.B.S. Sanderson March 1876 to Ap[ril] 23 1879. Photo [38]

In the afternoon I took Rose to Adel, we stayed the evening with Mr. Twigg.28. Wrote to Raymond re[garding] Salford Museum Miss Bowling called &[and] asked me to tea tomorrow. At night I pasted in my News- Cuttings, Birds from Newcastle Chronicle &c[et cetera].29. Miall called and told me that the Rev[erend] W.T. Travis had bought a collection of eggs containing many duplicates which he [39]

would be writing to dispose of and asked me to write to Travis, with a view to visiting him with respect to buying his duplicates. I did so. (The following is written in bed) At 5.0 I went to tea at Fallowfield Terrace and remained over night but was kept awake by a cough.30. Felt tired when I got up. Went down to the Museum and pains set in all [40]

over me, these in- creased as the day wore on until they were about unbearable they then began to locate in the lumbar region &[and] I could not hold myself upright. Afterwards moved to a broad band across my Chest, A feeling of great faintness was succeeded by a fit of vomiting altho[ugh] I had had no dinner. After taking "the weather" At 4.0 (James half- day holiday) I [41]

went across to Father &[and] managed to walk home, soon went to bed but did not sleep a wink (literally) temperature very high31. Remained in bed Father sent the D[octo]r up said I had taken the Influenza &[and] must stay in bed. 1892Jan[uary] 1. Feeling better but very weak. Father saw Mr. Reynolds who sent me a Clinical Thermometer as a New Years gift saying [42]

that as I could not take the temp[erature] outside I might take my own inside. Rose visited me at night the first time she has <not> been in the house. Since September D[octo]r said I was improving wonderfully. Husband sent my cheque.2. Raymond in a letter said he <would> had called out the Town Clerks office at Salford &[and] learned that the vacancy will be advertised in the [43]

Manchester papers but they knew no more my temperature nearly normal.3. I got up after noon when W[illia]m &[and] Miss Bowling Came up and spent the evening invited me to spend a few days with them when I was able to go out learnt that Rose was ill supposed to have the Influenza.4. Got up about 10.0 and remained up all day. I visited Rose and found her [44]

as anticipated her temperature was 102 °[degrees] (to new book) _____ Review of the Year. My main move has undoubtedly been that of elevation from Sub Curator to Curator of the Museum with the Concomitant announc- -ment of my engage- -ment. I attended all the meetings of the Y[orkshire].N[aturalists'].U[nion] [45]

and with the exception of Doucaster all the inaugural ones also And was elected from Assistant to one of the General Sec[retarie]s of the Union. I may also mention my election as Librarian of the Conchological Society, also election to Council as Geol[ogical]. Assoc[iation] and re-election to Council of Leeds Nat[uralists'] Club, My holidays took a more ambitious course than hither to [46]

I visited Germany Austria, Bohemia Bavaria, Holland &c[et cetera], paying special attention to the Zoos and Museums; My Editorial appointment with Roebuck on the "Nat[uralist]" will no doubt be of some service to me. What I must look upon as a very good year was closed by an attack of Influenza which confined me to bed. [47]

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