GEORGE ARLISS

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Dr Dr Wood

Allow me to thank You for sending
me the very touching tribute to John III
There are very few people who know the
human side of a parrot
Dinky Bits Mail Columbia is still going
strong. We did not know until we arrived
here that we might have brought him this
Year. But he is in Excellent hands
Some very old friends of ours who have
a similar bird of their own and who
regard all animals as part of the
family are taking care of him
With best wishes Yours truly

George Arliss

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George Arliss Esq.
Geary Theatre
San Francisco: —

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Dear Sir: —

It is not on account of your incomparable Shakespearain impersonations that I write but with reference to "Whiskers". From the photographic proofs I have seen of him he appears to be a fine example of the African Grey and certainly he holds the blue ribbon record for Atlantic crossings. British Honduras Double Yellow Head Amazona

I am mistaken however if his wanderings equal those of our John III Orator Who has been travelling all over the world with me my wife and myself - in an amateur study of wild life - during the past twenty years. We have crossed with him the Atlantic some 20 times, (West Indies, South America several times) Ceylon, Kashmir, India, the Pacific (with John III), by S.M.S. (3 times) South Seas, Australia etc. I wont bore you with a roster of his accomplishments which are many; I merely remark that only he (or she) who has been chosen by an intelligent parrot as a life companion can know the joy of living with an animal who loves you for your own sake and not because you are wise or charming or even a celebrity. P.S. do not feel obliged to read the enclosed, & do not return it —

With best regards Very truly yours Casey A. Wood

P.S. I wonder how you manage with your parrot on shipboard! We have never yet once been obliged to give him to the stewardess to look after in the dining saloon. Our parrot has a travelling cage just like yours fitted into a (semi-shaped) hat box.

donations + the accomplishments of the bird have invariably

"The wonderful and rare Amazon, Double Yellow Head, Orator" lives