



Common or Smooth Newt

Curious Case Of The Newt

A Westbury (Wilts) correspondent writes:-

Last week the servant girl at the King's Arms Inn, Dilton Marsh by permission of her mistress toasted a Yarmouth bloater for her supper. When it was cooked she took it from her fork, put it on a plate, and was carrying it towards the table, when the fish jumped from the plate onto the floor. Mr. O. C. Greenland, her master, could hardly believe his eyes, when it started to wriggle about on the floor, and an evet (newt) four inches long emerged from the fish and ran across the floor. Mr. Greenland and Mr. Joseph Pearce of Red Pit House picked it up and placed it in a jug of water where it is now. The bloater was examined and inside was a cavity the size of the evet extending the length of the fish.

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