

It seemed so strange to me. He was so interested in the formation of these ~~my~~ things and yet not to have any idea of what the purpose was!

Lady: There was a research project going on when My husband worked at Cornell in the ecology department with I think it was a lizard of some sort. I've forgotten what the animal was --- I'm not sure I can tell this story.

The breathing apparatus worked from side to side rather than in and out the way most species do. It fitted it for the way it porrowed into the sand and the way where the weight of the sand beneath it was too heavy to allow it to breath in "a normal way". It was very frustrating to me because what they were examining was how it evolved. To me it was exciting because that wasn't the way I look at it at all!

AAM: God had prepared it.

Lady: Certainly God had known from the beginning how that thing needed to breath. These things are very subtle in the school. I used to tell parents, I would not worry much about the public schools for the first three years because they are basically teaching children to read and write and not too much in the way of values enters in. But I find that even that is less true than it once was. The stories in the reading books that seem to lay the groundwrok for the philosophies that they are going to teach later.

My little fellow came home with the story about the blue whale and it told all about how the blue whale used to walk on land. Then one day he went down to the beach and swam into the ocean. He lost his legs and now he can't be a land animal any more! And we can see the evidence of that because of the type of tail he has which is one way instead of the other.

AAM: That makes a big impression on little children.

Lady: Fortunately Nathan was already acquainted with the issue.

AAM: But for the children who arn't.

Lady: And I was tickeled that his reaction was I said to him. We read it together. He might not have said anything if I hadn't questioned him. I said to him, What do you really think of that? Well, he said I think it was perfectly ridiculous. In the first place there wasn't anybody there to see that that's what that whale did.

AAM: Good for him.

Lady: I said, that was true. We find children are being taken right from the very beginning. Of course children seem very ready for that somehow They go to school and come home with the idea, I've listened to you for 5 years, and now my teacher says. That seems to be almost universal for little children. They are very impressed with a view that is new. I think that is rather frig tening because the parents should still have their ear.