

IN THE GREAT SCHEME OF THINGS (Cat No 648)

Dedicated To Whom It May Concern

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Words in **RED** to be repeated after me

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there is a use for everything
no doubt.

Don't look so doubtful.
Listen to this story with an
OPEN MIND.

It has to be true (doesn't it?)
because I heard it
yesterday
on the BBC.

In Africa
are

land mines.

We all know land mines
grow naturally
organically
from a certain fungus as
yet undiagnosed
spreading prolifically
afraid its getting rampant
like that common weed the bindweed
in your potato patch.

**Try as you will
you can't get rid of it.**

The more roots you dig up
the more roots it grows
so P estilent
P ersistent
with any tool or poison
im possible im possible
to
ex tir pate.

Not nice land mines.

If you are unlucky
they tend to blow your foot off
on your trek for water
five miles hence.

If you're very lucky
they tend to blow you
sky high

your problems are over
you don't come down to earth.

CAN YOU BELIEVE IT?

THERE'S HELP AT HAND!

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there are vermin such as King Rats
intelligent and thoughtful
more than you would guess.
Some folks have been training them
to suss out the land mines
they skitter on their tip toes
not triggering the charge
sniffing out the fungus
just like truffle hounds
so specialists can pluck them
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out of the ground.

“Good boy (or girl)” to our canine friends
when they’ve done a clever trick
give them a tit-bit and pat them on the head.

“Good boy (or girl)” to our King Rats
after such a clever trick
what do they get for
the saving of lives?
‘a bit of a banana’ the Programme said.

The moral of this story
is

“Keep your mind
AGAPE”

just like the nestlings
waiting for a worm.
Don’t give a bad press
to any of the creatures
who might just have pity
and
save your life.