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a safe passage

snebjörnsmóðið wilson 2009

to give safe passage to a British mole
from Lancaster, England
to Kassel, Germany

*for Documenta 12 in Kassel, Germany, the artist Martha Rosler made a photographic work: Kassel Gardens (from the Perspective of a Mole) 2007

Rose Hill in Kassel Gardens

the following popular methods used to displace and destroy moles were gleaned from two or three randomly-selected websites:
Poison Baits, Attack Ferrets, Firearms, Explosives, Flammable Liquids (Igniting petrol poured down mole tunnels), Urinating on the molehills, Castor oil applied locally to the ground, Odorous Repellents, Gassing, Flooding, Mole Repelling Flora, Vibrating/Ultrasonic Devices, Scissor Traps, Other traps, Juicy Fruit chewing gum, Garlic, Chilli powder, Smoke cartridges, Mothballs, Crushed Glass, Rose Thorns, and Razor Blades, Tunnel Tromping, The Pitchfork/Shovel Method (Moles, like most other animals, are sensitive to stabbing and/or concussion), Sound/vibration deterrent, Attack Dogs and Cats…
Mole archaeology

Moles have intimate knowledge of history and geology –

Mole engineering

and structural engineering

Mole burial

Do moles inter their dead or bury them upstairs?
Mole landscape gardening

Moles crenellate their roofs
with whatever is to hand

Mole subways

Think of a transit system whose very constitution
is a source of food
Mole mountains

For moles, despite how trivial we may think things are…

some things are of huge importance