

LAND OF THE FALSE PROPERTY

THE DESERT

All the vast spaces east and west of the Valley between the fourteenth degree and the Mediterranean (over eight hundred thousand square miles) are the most absolutely unfit for the habitation of man...

The active division (the Bedouins) has two names, of old, the mountain, or of horridly, the wilderness. This is the kind of desert spoken of in Scripture, where John the Baptist preached to the multitude who went out to hear him...

The Bedouin is the most abstemious of men. His food is a little doura obtained from the settlements in exchange for the surplus of his flocks and the skins and charcoal that he prepares for sale. His camels yield him an abundance of excellent milk...

On the march, an Egyptian soldier, having left the halter of his camel, ordered roughly the Bedouin guide walking in front to give it back to him. The latter replied: "Am I thy father's camel-driver to be thus spoken to?"

El Mahdi Dreads Assassination. It is generally understood among the tribes that El Mahdi's reason for leaving Khartoum was his fear of assassination at the hands of people in his own camp. This fear has caused him to double the guard about his person.

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