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ARABIAN JUSTICE.

Convicting a Thief by the Ordeal of the Red-hot Knife.

The ordeal of the red-hot knife is thus described by Abdullah Mansur (G. Wyman Bury) as he saw it in "The Land of 'Eg." The case was one of theft from a caravan. Two young men were implicated, one a palace slave, the other a young Arab, a native of the oasis. Each accused the other, with many oaths and much mutual vilification. Finally both invoked the ordeal of the knife.

In due course a venerable Arab appeared, bringing the instrument with him. His family for generations had possessed the hereditary right to administer the ordeal. The knife seemed a very ordinary piece of hoop iron, shaped roughly into a sort of blade about eighteen inches long. The name and attributes of Allah were engraved upon it, and it was fitted with a plain wooden haft.

An attendant brought a bowl of water and a brazier of live charcoal, in which the knife was inserted. The Arab youth received the ordeal first. He repeated his assertions of innocence and, rinsing out his mouth with water, put out his tongue, which was seized at the tip by the owner of the knife. The instrument, glowing dull red, was drawn from the brazier, and with it three light blows were struck upon the victim's tongue, which was then inspected. It merely showed slight white marks where the hot iron had fallen.

The slave's turn then came, and whether he flinched at the contact of the hot iron or had failed to keep his tongue sufficiently moist I cannot say, but the heat of the blade, picked off a small patch of skin and showed a bleeding surface. According to the rules of the ordeal, that proved his guilt, and he was led away to durance vile.

LUNA'S MIGHTY PEAKS.

Peculiarity of the Ring Mountains of the Moon.

The moon is really and truly a great planet of mountains, its whole visible surface being dotted with elevations of curious shapes and of extraordinary height. We say "its whole visible surface" and hasten to explain that we make this statement simply because the eye of man has never seen but one side of the surface of the moon.

What we see convinces us that the little planet is extremely mountainous, for on the "end" exposed to our view there are no fewer than 30,000 peaks, varying in height from 2,000 feet to four miles. When we consider the fact that this lunar world is only one thirty-second part as large as the earth we can easily see why it deserves the title of the "planet of great mountains."

There is a peculiar thing about these 30,000 moon peaks. Each and every one of them has a ringlike form, the open end of the conical point being of greater or lesser diameter, according to the height of the mountain. In a low grade telescope these peaks resemble true volcanoes, but when viewed through a high grade glass it is seen that the depression in the center of the queer "ring mountain" is often so great as to be below the general level of the surrounding country.

The depth of these depressions is calculated in a curious manner, by figuring on the relative shadows they cast when the sun is shining full upon them. The diameter of these "ring mountains" varies greatly, some of the larger ones being 50, 100 or even 150 miles, while the smaller look like post holes when viewed through a good telescope.

Straw Hats.

The straw hat is a relative newcomer in the world of dress. It was not until 1784, according to Les Nouvelles, that it first appeared, and its adoption was originally exclusive to women. Men did not make use of it until the Waterloo year, and the foundation of the great Alsatian industry was only in 1854, when the first big factories were erected. Our contemporary adds that it is not generally known that many so-called "straw" hats are made entirely of wood. But they are none the less efficient as protectors against the effects of glare and sunshine.

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—GIRL WANTED—For general office work, one with knowledge of stenography preferred and one who is locally acquainted. Address X X Highland Park Press. 26 tf

LOST

—LOST—Brindle bull dog, weight about 40 pounds, 4 white feet, white breast, wears leather collar. Reward if returned to W. Steffes, Everett. 27

—LOST—On Tuesday evening at the entrance to the Moraine Hotel, on porch or in ball-room a pearl bird pin. Return to 253 Park Avenue and receive suitable reward. 27

—LOST—On Thursday, round gold pin with small dark blue stone setting in center. Finder please phone 705-W. 27

—LOST—White Angora cat answering to the name of Peter. Reward of \$5.00 if returned to R. F. Carr, 204 Sheridan Rd. Tel. 16. 27-pd

—LOST—Ladys gold chain and pendant. Please return to J. J. Hayes, 134 Ravine Avenue. 27

Home Treatment.

"Here," began a woman known to the writer in the Canadian Courier—"here's an article in the evening paper on 'Women's Work For the Feeble Minded.'"

Her husband grunted, being in a reactionary mood. "I'd like to know," he said, "what women have ever done for the feeble minded."

"They usually marry them, dear," replied his wife sweetly.

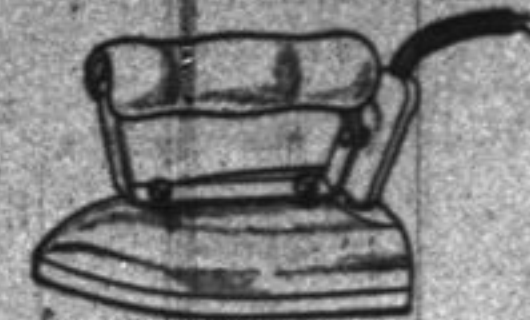
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ENGLISH INN NAMES.

Some of Them Are as Quaint as Their Origins Are Queer.

Many explanations have been given of curious signboards for inns. The Goat and Compasses is supposed to be a corruption of a motto set over inns during the Puritan period. "Good encompasses us." Bag of Nails of "Rachanais." Why Not and Dewdrop inn are described as invitations to the wayfarer. Bird in Hand and Last House, or Final, suggestions that he should not waste his opportunities to imbibe.

The Bull and Mouth is said to be a corruption of Boulogne Mouth, captured by Henry VIII. Bull and Gate, it is suggested, may possibly be a similar vulgarism for Boulogne Gate.

Great battles fought and fortresses taken are commemorated by Gibraltar, Waterloo, Battle of the Nile, and Trafalgar. Advertisers range from Blake to Napier, generals from Marlborough to Wolsley, Wellington, Nelson and Keppel being the most common.

It is surprising how many of the Nelson inns are buildings, three or four centuries old, showing that the innkeeper was prepared to sacrifice the sign under which he had hitherto done business and trusted to make a new reputation under the aegis of the popular hero. —Westminster Gazette.

Fell Four Thousand Feet.

A tragic balloon experience was that of Brownlow. Accompanied by another balloonist, he made an ascension from St. Louis in 1902. The balloon rose rapidly to a height of about 4,000 feet. At this point, Brownlow leaped over the side of the car to adjust some rigging. A sudden change in the wind, a lurch of the car, and Brownlow fell over the edge of the basket and, with a cry, that his aerial comrade said would haunt him to his death, shot downward toward the earth. The balloon, thus lightened, sprang upward with a great leap, and Brownlow's companion lost consciousness. When he recovered the balloon was in full descent and he managed to find the valve cord and so deflate it as to make a safe landing. Of Brownlow no further trace was ever found. —New York Tribune.

Wanted to Be Prepared.

A congressman tells of a little shorting party which he attended. "More than one of the party," said the congressman, "felt a trifle nervous about a certain young Englishman as he and his gun seemed strangers. Nothing occurred, however, until I felt something poking me in the side as we crept along. Turning quickly, I found the notice prodding me with the muzzle and fumbling with the hammers of his gun. "Hi, Gus," he whispered, "before we get on, to the birds you might just show me 'ow you let these 'ere triggers down!'" —Boston Traveler.

Onion Soup and Fame.

Membership in the French academy, the hoped for reward of Gallic writers, was once closely associated with onion soup. During the restoration in France a club was formed under the title of "Diner de la Soup a l'Onion." This organization contained twenty members. It met every three months, when the dinner was opened with an onion soup. The club was to endure until every associate was elected to the academy. This was accomplished in 1845, when the last banquet was held.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

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A bill from Dr. Ingalls for damages to the amount of \$35 which he alleges his electric car received owing to the bad condition of the railroad crossing on Central Avenue was referred to the City Attorney.

Owing to the fact that the court has not returned an opinion on the city's liability in the matter of the Ravine Avenue pavement the resolution passed by the East Park Board that the drive from St. Johns Ave. to the lake be turned over to said board was referred to the City Attorney.

Report of Magistrate Boylan enclosing check for \$53.00 collected during August was accepted.

The Police Committee recommendation that the policemen be given a two weeks vacation was accepted.

The Sewer Committee recommendation that not over \$150 be spent in laying pipe at the Ravine Ave. septic tank was approved.

Report of the Fire and Water Committee recommending rebates as follows was accepted, To E. L. Millard, on account of leak on premises, from \$56.08 to \$42.38; to John Happ, on account of leak, from \$14.45 to \$8.76; to Mrs. P. Hintz, on account of leak, from \$12.96 to \$7.48.

Street and Alley Committee report appropriating \$50 for the purpose of repairing fence and catch basins on Prospect Ave. at the bluff was accepted.

An ordinance calling for a concrete walk on the east side of Waukegan Ave. from Bloom Street 120 feet south was passed.

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM NEARBY CITIES

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out from the north. The village will ask the company to stand half of the expense of improving Railroad Avenue; the village will probably pay fifteen per cent and the rest will be spread among the property owners.

Nearby Locals
Work on the new park being built by the city between the Northwestern depot and the Northwestern "L" station at Davis Street, Evanston, is progressing rapidly. The land was given to the city by the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad.

It will cost \$24,313 to pay the bills of the village of Winnetka for the coming year. This was decided at the regular meeting of the village board Tuesday evening when the annual appropriation ordinance was passed by the board.

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