

MALTA: "THE ISLE OF HONEY"

KEY TO EASTERN PART OF BRITISH EMPIRE.

Ten Nations Have Held Sway Over Coveted Islands Since Recorded History.

Perhaps no other by-product of the world war save the recovery of Jerusalem stirs the imagination so profoundly as the British announcement of home rule for Malta.

The Malta island group is a shrine of mythology and of sacred and profane history. Calypso, vampire of Homer's word motion-pictures, rescued the shipwrecked Ulysses and employed her charms to make him stay on the island. St. Paul swam ashore there after his vessel ran aground. Publius, the island governor, according to Acts xviii, received and lodged him, and the apostle founded a Christian community before he departed.

The date of Christ's birth is but the halfway point in Maltese chronology. Since its recorded history began ten nations have held sway over the coveted islands, beginning with the Phoenicians, and running a scale of Greeks, Carthaginians, Romans, Goths, Arabs, Germans, Spaniards and French, until the present sovereignty of the British.

It has been said that Malta's local chronicle holds, in microcosm, the history of Europe, and that its archeological remains mark each step in western civilization.

Saved the Western World.

But Malta was an actor as well as a librarian of historic drama. Literally she became the saviour of the western world when the Knights of Malta beat back the Turkish hordes during the famous siege of 1565.

The thrills of that siege and the heroism displayed are unsurpassed. Of the 2,000 Maltese who fought with the knights, virtually all were killed. Characteristic of the knights' valor was that of the defenders of Fort St. Elmo. Wounded and desperate, the few survivors of months of fighting went to a small chapel within the fort, embraced each other, received the Eucharist, and prepared to die. The little company was cut off from all assistance, but fought on. Many fell with sword in hand. Fearing they would be exterminated before the assailants were beaten back a Maltese was sent to swim across the harbor by night to inform the grand master of the danger. The messenger delivered his "message to Garcia" by diving and swimming mostly under water. "Hold the fort or die fighting," was the command he brought back. Every man obeyed—and died. But the consternation wrought by their frenzied resistance worked such havoc among the assailants that the news of it spread to other divisions of the Turkish forces and turned the tide toward a Maltese victory.

Safety Lock of the East.

Scenically Malta has been well named a "precious stone set in a silver sea." Agriculturally it deserves the appellation of New Testament times, Malta, meaning "the Isle of Honey." It domiciles some 230,000 persons, though it does not entirely support them. Its area is only one twentieth that of Prince Edward Island, but it has two and a half times the population.

In addition to the main island the Malta group consists of Gozo, Comino, with Cominotto, an islet, and Filija, a rock. Its proximity to Italy, Sicily, Africa and Asia Minor explains why Britain regards Malta as the key and safety lock of her entire eastern empire.

The dark hood, or faldetta, which Maltese women wear to this day, is ascribed in popular legend to their desire to hide their faces because of the infamies of invading soldiers. A characteristic feature of the landscape is the terraced fields. A geographical curiosity is the absence of streams, because water is absorbed by the porous sandstone.

The present capital and principal seaport of Malta is Valletta, named for the grand master of the knights at the time of the memorable siege. It was literally a "city built by gentlemen for gentlemen." It contained the palace of the chiefs of these knights, originally the Knights of the Order of St. John, who resorted to Malta after the Turks had captured their stronghold at Rhodes. Both the main island and Gozo contain numerous relics, like those of England's Stonehenge, of the Mediterranean race that antedated the arrival of the Phoenicians.

Half the business of life is concerned with knowing how to use men and women, how to understand them, how to get on with them, how to turn their faculties to the best account.—Viscount Bryce.

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The Charming Eskimos.

Stefansson, the famous Arctic explorer, writing of his stay among the Eskimos, tells of their hospitality to him, a guest and stranger, whose purpose in coming among them they did not know, and who was unable to requite them in any way for the kindness they showed him. Dwelling upon their individual and domestic characteristics, he says that in an Eskimo he never heard an unpleasant word between a man and his wife, and he never saw a child punished or an old person treated inconsiderately.

The moral value of some ways in which the Eskimo is superior to us is small. He can make better garments against cold than our own tailors or furriers; he can thrive in barren wastes where men of warmer climates would starve. But the moral value of other ways in which he is superior is great, for he is less selfish, more help-

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An Island Where Deer Are Safe

The deep music of a deerhound's voice came faintly down the wind, shortly it blended with the sharper voice of a hunting Airedale. The scream of a hungry cougar is not more terrifying to the timid deer of the British Columbia coast than the bay of the hounds on the trail. When they hear it they get up and go—straight for water.

The little spike buck, born a few seasons before on the rugged, forest-clad coast of the Pacific province, lifted his head. His eyes and his ears, his very pose displayed the high tension of his taut nerves. He looked into the forest of the island on which he stood, and he saw nothing alarming. He turned and stared across the water toward Nelson Island. The only thing that caught his eye that did not denote restful nature in primitive grandeur was a smudge of smoke that streaked the horizon and showed that a C.P.R. coasting steamer was out-bound from Powell River. Then the boom of the hound's voice rolled again across the waters, from Nelson Island. The deer moved nervously, looked all round again—and calmly bent his head to bite a mouthful of grass. He was safe. He was on Hardy Island.

Hardy Island is the city of refuge to all the deer that know about it. Three years ago it was good hunting grounds. Today it is taboo to men with guns, and hell peps, as the saying goes, if men with both guns and dogs appear. It is unlawful to hunt deer with dogs in British Columbia, but it is still done in certain districts, in spite of law. Two years ago, or perhaps slightly more than that, Mr. C. J. Leyland of England purchased Hardy Island at the mouth of Jervis Inlet. He bought it to experiment with British trees in the B.C. climate. There were 2,500 acres of rich lands and forests, and there was a good orchard. He placed a watchman, Tom Brazil, on the property, and did no more toward development, preferring to await the end of the war. Brazil, a lover of animals, caught two of the wild deer that frequently swam to the island from the other nearby lands. He tamed them. They in turn brought other wild ones. Many of them had been run to water by dogs and took refuge on Hardy Island. There, seeing how intimate the original tame pair were with the man who controlled the orchards where the luscious apples grew, the wild newcomers gradually grew intimate too. To-day a herd of thirty deer, most of them born in wildness, respond to the voice of Tom Brazil when he calls. Some of them will step forward from the herd when called by name. They have no fear at all of man, when on Hardy Island. Sometimes they swim to other parts of the coast, and range about a bit, but they come back, often fagged from some fierce run and swim.

Tom Brazil's herd is becoming a by-word on the coast, but no dog and no man dare brave what might happen should he try to hunt on the island of refuge. So the deer are fat, are bringing new little lives into the world, and are adding to their numbers by recruit volunteers from the wild ranges where such safety is not known.—L.V.K.

MINARD'S LINIMENT CURES DISTEMPER.

A Modern Raleigh.

The cloak of Sir Walter Raleigh has been a symbol of chivalry for many years, but a schoolboy's chivalry deserves an equally honorable place. A Christmas treat was to be given at an Edinburgh school, and hundreds of poor children had assembled at the doors to wait until they were opened. Among them was a sweet-faced little girl, thinly clad and barefoot, who trembled with cold.

While she was dancing from one foot to the other on the cold, hard stones, a schoolboy, not much older, came along. He hesitated for a moment; then, snatching off his soft woolen cap, he put it down before her. "Stand on that, little girl," he said, and he passed in hatless at a side door.

Much interest is being shown in China in motorcycles, due to the fact that they can travel on the narrow paths used by foot passengers and for wheelbarrows.

BITS OF HUMOR FROM HERE & THERE

A Tired Tyrant.
Bridget's caller—"How would you like to have a home of your own?"
Cook—"Fine! I'm tired bossin' other people's families."

One on the Lawyer.
"Witness," asked the attorney for defense, who was trying to prove the temporary insanity of the prisoner, "was it this man's habit to talk to himself when alone?"
"Just at this time," came the answer, "I don't recollect ever bein' with him when he was alone."

The Thimble Wins.
"You may be sharp," said the thread to the needle, "but I notice you are always getting it in the eye."
"Oh, you can't talk," retorted the needle, "for whenever you get into a hole I have to pull you through."
"Be quiet, you two," chipped in the thimble. "If it wasn't for my push, neither of you would get along."

From the Top of the Round.
The second course of the table d'hôte was being served. "What is this leathery stuff?" demanded the diner.
"That, sir, is filet of sole," replied the waiter.
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That if you want to make light of trouble, keep it dark.
That worry is the interest paid on trouble before it comes along.
That the man who does what he pleases is seldom pleased with what he does.
That the man who wins who forgets to criticize others but remembers to criticize himself.
That all easy ways are downhill. You don't notice it till you try to climb back.
That experience is what a wise man gets at the expense of others, and a fool at his own.
That excuses are the patches with which we try to hide the holes in our business suits.
That the darkest shadows of life are those which a man makes himself when he stands in his own light.

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