## "THE THIEF OF BAGDAD"

BY ACRIMED ABDULLAR

union Pairbanks' Fautacy of the Arabian Nights, by

For down there at his feet Bagdad black stallion through the night sinute. There stretched hundreds of morning, at last arriving at Bagdad lat, dazzling white rooftops, richly and demanded entrance with a loud forned towers, fairy-like turrets, and voice. bell-shaped Arab domes. Under the A yellow-skinned, flat-nosed, ironof a Mosque in the middle of the city and looked down. burned like the plumage of a gigantic "Go away!" he said in his loutish peacock with every mysterious blend; Mongol speech. "The gates of Bagof blue and green and purple and helio. dad are closed until after the wedding." trope. The whole was buried in flaunting gardens gay with many-colored trees and shrubs and bushes, with cro- Great Dragon, and Zobeid, daughter tons and mangoes, with roses and mel- of the Caliph.'

over all Islam! His the subjection solently: of these stiff-necked Arabs, these stiff- "Let me in, let me in, dog-snouted seeds, the members of the families of necked Semites! His the worship of Mongol pig! Hey, there, let me in, O Ibn Kubbut and Ibn Zura, are endowtheir grief-sticken sobbing and wailing most unbeautiful yellow pimple bereft ed with Allah's excellent and blessed that beat up from city and palace in of all the virtues!"

mense tone waves. . . . Yet in the palace there was one that threateningly. nor complained. It was Zobeid, although there were Mongol warriors in her very bedroom, watching her for fear that she might commit suicide.

"Now I give you fair warning. If you do not go away, immediately, quietly, like a decent lad, by the tribal gods of my clan, I shall. ."

or her serene fortitude of soul. "Ahmed is coming!" she said. "Aye!

"Oh, yes. Three or four times." "I do not believe you."

"Why not, Heaven-Born?" "Because, if you had really been in love, you would know that the loved one can do anything—anything and everything. Good night, Zemzem!" And she slept quietly, fearlessly, with either dream nor nightmare, while own the road from Terek el-Bey the Thief of Bagdad spurred his great

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came more and more distinct every through the green and yellow of young

"Whose wedding"? "The wedding of Cham Sheng, the ants of seeds. Thus riseth the question

tonias, with poinsettias and bego- The man withdrew; returned as Ah-

med leaned from his horse, rattling at Bagdad! Bagdad was his! His the the gate, beating against it with the hilt on over Araby and-soon, soon of his sword, shouting noisily and in- spectable Moslem theologians refuse

The other raised his battle-axe

the who neither wailed nor sobbed "I gave you fair words," he said.

But there was no such thought in "Pah!" sneered Ahmed. "Powless see brain. Huddled close against Zem- gods-the gods of your clan! Swinish n, she whispered to her the reason gods for a swinish race! Pot-bellied, in fine condition for cars or sleighs; yellow-skinned, slit-eyed, ridiculous, indecent Mongol gods! Wait! Hold your hand a second"-as the battle-"But he is alone, Heaven-Born! ing through the air-"and I will show axe was about to come down whistlyou what mine own God can do! Allah, the One, the All-Powerful! Look, Claus. "Have you ever been in love, Zem- Mongol pig! Behold the blessed mira-

And, the thought popping into his brain, his fingers obeying the thought, he dipped them deeply into the magic silver box that was filled to the brim with the tiny seeds-the wishing seeds -the seeds from the Tree of Righte- Sunday school work. Rev. H. G ous but Unfulfilled Desires.

He sprinkled the seeds thickly on the are on the sick list.

He spoke hurriedly, fervently: "O Allah! I want soldiers! Mounted the past week in Kingston. Mr. and armed soldiers. Brave Moslem soldiers Mrs. L. B. Cronk, and Isobelle, spent Fearless soldiers, Arabs and Turks and Christmas with Dr. Cronk and fam Moors and Egyptians-soldiers from Ily, Belleville. Archie Howes with all the land of Islam-to protect Bag- his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. F dad from Mongol desecration-to save Howes. Pupils home from Sydenhan the ancient city-to save Zobeid! Sol- high school are Mildred Bertrim cases of appendicits occurred in a diers I want-numerous as the waves Elmer Bateman and Nigal Howes. short time! Simple buckthorn bark, of the sea, the sand grains of the des-

And suddenly the Mongol captain's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Black. sneer changed into a stare of incredu- Mrs. H. Cronk and children, Bellelity, a grimace of surprise, fear, horror, ville, at M. Cronk's, Mrs. M. Storms h in TEN minutes. Brings out army of mounted Moslem fighting- and Minnie Wagar, home from

> CHAPTER XI. As the wind blew the tiny yellow seeds about, wherever they struck the ground other Moslem warriors popped out of the nowhere with a little puff of smoke as the only warning that they were coming. They were mostly on horseback. But some were on foot, and there was a splendid troop of desertmen riding upon dromedaries, nodding Goodfellow and son, also Richard in their lofty, peaked, crimson saddles to the deep gait of their animals, with mas with Mr. and Mrs. W. Siver a cold glisten of iron and black song brick, Tichborne. W. D. Bertrim is

> "Allah akbar!" they cried. "Allah akbar! Din! Din! Fatch Mohammed!" | parents. Dr. Scott and family a They came like the whirlwind; George Cronk's. hacking at the gate with their battleaxes and splintering it; horses and camels prancing and rearing, weapons glistening in the sun, burnooses of all The School Entertainment Was The colors floating in the breeze.

"On!" they cried. "Ride on for the Faith! Allah is most great! Kill-kill -in the name of the Prophet!" Crusaders, they Warriors for Islam.

Men of great courage. Noble souls. Noble souls

Here is a disputable point. For the ancient Arab chronicle from er and pupils at the school house which we derive the tale of the Thief of Bagdad interrupts the narrative here tended and much enjoyed by kidto make the following rather interest- dies and grown ups alike. Miss

"To this day the descendants of cus, and throughout Arabistan, Many of them use the family names of Ibn Kubbut and Ibn Zura, which means "Son of the Seed," in proof of their extraordinary paternal ancestry. Those who entered Bagdad with Ahmed filled the places of the men killed by the Mongol horde. But while they made good soldiers and later on good husbands and fathers, the Moslem priests and theologians have never been quite sister, Mrs. Ray White, Caintown, sure if they or their descendants can

'ay claim to having a soul. "For consider how Allah, so as prepare for the future mission of Mo- Warren continues very low. All reammed, created Adam!

"Adam was created out of God's will Some traditions say that the head of Adam when first shaped reached the sky, and they also say that Adam was so named because his color was red, like wheat: for wheat is called 'adais the language of the One God. The Mr. and Mrs. H. Scott, Yonge's creation of Adam occurred on Friday, the tenth of the month Mohurrun, at old Warren's. Everett Price, Selby the eleventh hour, at the rising of the spent a few days here recently with first degree of Aries, Saturn being in his sister, Mrs. Leelje Warren. the same constellation, and Mars in Capricorn. God then asked the Angels to kneel before Adam, and all obeyed the evil, the Fallen Angel. Then God Christmas tree and concert was held created Eve. But Iblis, seeing that for here on the 17th, and all report a one crime he had forfeited all the merit of his former obedience, determined to do Adam any injury in his power. Now Adam was in Paradise, where
Iblis could not enter. At length, however, as is detailed in history and tra- tives came from far and near. A dition, by art and the assistance of a peacock stationed on the walls of Paradise as a guardian and a serpent who was the sentinel at the northern gate, Iblis entered. It is furthermore related how Iblis tempted Adam and Eve—as all the world knows—and how Adam, driven out of the garden of Eden, ex-

### claimed: 'O Allah! Why didst Thou WERE ON THE KEYWEST

without a soul, Thou couldst have neither blamed nor punished me for giv-ing way to temptation!' And then Adam wept-this happened on a mountain Good Season on That in Hindustan, where Adam and Eve, Lake Craft. after the Fall, were drived from Para-

Nisan-and from the tears he shed sprang up pepper, cardamums, and cin-namon, while from the grief in his soul sprang the clouds, the weeds, the des-"Not on all these points do the wise theologians agree. But there is no argument about God having given a soul to Adam, nor that, for the sake crew.

ert jackals, and the scavenger crows.

(To Be Continued.)

PARHAM PARAGRAPHS.

A Host of Visitors Crowded th

Village.

continues very cold. The roads are

both are being used. School closed on

Monday with a concert and Christ-

mas tree; which was enjoyed by

all. Much credit is due Miss McDon

ald who is untiring in her efforts.

She was remembered by Santa

The annual Christmas entertain

ment was held in the LO.O.F. hall

on Christmas eve and was a decided

success. Mrs. Moyes had charge o

the programme and received wel

merited praise. The proceeds amount

ed to \$42 which will be used for

Moyse, Ross Howes and E. M. Barr

Mrs. J. C. Hartman and son re-

Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Strader and

Keith Black, Ottawa, with their

W. E. Clow and F. C. Hartman

motored to Kingston and Spen

Christmas with S. D. Leslie and fam-

ily. Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Smith and

son, Ross, have returned from Belle

ville. Mr. and Mrs. James Howe.

and Miss Mable Howes, Oshawa, a

W. L. Goodfellow and family, L

R. Bateman and family, Mrs. Della

Goodfellow, Belleville, spent Christ-

Miss Ella Card, Verona, with he

ROCKFIELD MATTERS.

Event of the Week.

Rockfield, Oec. 29 .- The recen

snow storms have made the sleigh-

the sleigh bells cheer us once more.

Christmas day passed off quietly

with the usual home visiting. The

entertainment put on by the teach-

Monroe is spending her holidays

Kenneth Warren, who has been

confined to his bed with pneumonia

for the past two weeks, is able to

be up about the house again. Mrs.

Gordon Summers and daughter,

Madeline visited friends in Warbur-

ton last week, Elwood Barle, Water-

town, N.Y., has returned to his home

here. Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Toley and

family spent Christmas with her

Mrs. Harold Warren and son, Don-

ald, spent a few days last week with

gret to hear of the serious illness of

B. J. Warren in Brockville General

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Greens,

spent Christmas in Mallorytown with her parents Mr. and Mrs. I. An-

dress, Mr. and Mrs. Ray White and

daughter, Winnie, Caintown, and

Mills, were Sunday guests at Har-

Christmas At Fernleig

calling is the order of the day. A

Fernleigh, Dec. 26 .- Christmas

friends at Yonge's Mills. W.

on Friday, Dec. 19th was well

with her parents at Gananoque.

ing fairly good and the music

G. F. Howe's.

Verone.

Parham, Dec. 29 .- The weather

tals as His Messenger.

Adrian Ryan and wife, Rochester, of the salvation of his soul. He later on sent Mohammed amongst the mor-"But the warriors who rode with Ahmed into Bagdad were not the descendants of Adam, but the descend--had they souls, or were they merely realized segments, materialized fractions of Ahmed's imagination? Here is the moot point in the controversy; and we repeat that to this day many reto admit that the descendants of these Iora Fitzgerald, Watertown, N.Y.

the ice with an ice punt.

with their parents here.

Watertown, N.Y.

turned on Saturday after spending with a severe cold.

Raymond Cough and wife spent Thristmas with relatives here. den McRae and wife, Watertown, N.Y., spent Christmas with their parents here.

Toleda, Dec. 29 .- The death occurred on Friday, Dec. 26th, of Miss Canton, New Boyne, who has been eral services were held in the Angliday school entertainment was hald in the town hall, on Christmas night,

Harry Brigginshaw, Ottawa, are Mrs. Reginald Weese, Kingston, and spent a very enjoyable evening press clerk. Mctt and Herman Gray are running

the scatting rink here this wiater. which opened up last month.

trop to Smith's Falls on Dec. 27th, turned to Ottawa on Tuesday. Mr. Dec. 26th and was very well attend- good neighbor and eitisen. Her Hume Kent and wife spent Sunday and Mrs. Asquith, Auburn, Ont., are ed. Mr. and Mrs. A. Ferguson many friends gathered on the eve at the home of M. G. Philips. James guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Mc- were Christmas sojourners at the of her departure and held a most Gray, who returned from the Gen- liveen. The annual meeting of the Capital. Misses Marjorie Brown, enjoyable social evening which was eral Hospital, last week, is improv- Lansdowne Agricultural Society will Ada Morris and Theresa Murphy of spent in music and cards. ing as well as could be expected.

dise, on Friday, the fifth of the month Wolfe Island, Dec. 80 .- The Keywest was well represented by Wolfe Islanders this season which was a very successful one. Capt. William Davis, Mate Clarance, Kenney, wheelsman, Hank Davis, watchman, Pat Baker, Jack Broadbent, Clarance Davis, were members of the

> N.Y., spent Christmas with his parents here. Leanord Yott has installed a radio set in his home. Father Ryan spent a short visit with his parents last week. Born unto Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Greenwood, a girl. Mr. and Mrs. Edward Horne, Bath, spent Christmas at the latter's parents. Mrs. H. Hinckley, who underwent treatment at the general hospital, Kingston, has returned home much improved. While there she was attended by her niece, Miss

John Kingsley spent Christmas in Boston with relatives and intends staying in the above mentioned city for a brief holiday. Tupper Mosier was the first to cross the ice with a horse and rig. The veteran Paddy McDermott was a close second. Louis Larush was the first to cross

Thomas Maloney and wife spent Christmas with the latter's parents here. William Briceland, teller of the Royal Bank, Ottawa, spent Christmas with his parents here. Miss Gertrude Brown, Watertown, N.Y., spent Christmas with her parents here. Mack Kenney and wife, Watertown, N.Y., spent Christmas

Henry Yott and wife, Syracuse, N.Y., spent Christmas with their parents here. Karl Conley and wife. Watertown, N.Y., spent Christmas with their parents here. Edward Kelley, Watertown, N.Y., spent Christmas with relatives here, Mrs. Charles Greenwood a well known Wolfe Islander, died in Watertown, N.Y., last week. Frances McKenna spent Christmas with relatives in

Leanord Mosier and wife spent Christmas at Syracuse, N.Y., with relatives. John Abbott is confined to his home with grippe. Miss Nellie Muckian is confined to her home

TOLEDA TIDINGS.

and Funeral of Late

making her home with her niece at Newbliss for the past year. The funcan church, New Boyne, at 2 p.m., Sunday afternoon and her remains placed in the vault. The annual Sun-

Mildred Seymour, teacher, Merlice, Ottawa, and their brother, Forest Grier, Milton. with games and dancing. George

Delorma Marshall and C. A. Wood have installed radios in their homes for the benefit of their friends who take great pleasure in listening to ertertatements which comes over the wires. Harold Bella at, Kemptville, spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Bellamy, Mr. cud Mrs D Marsay, and Merrill Philips made a business trip to Brockville on Monday last and purchased goods for the Marshall store

Stanley O'Rielly, Merrickville, is day, Jan. 17th, at 1 p.m.

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here. Gladys Seward is on the sick list. Mort Moran, Plattsburg, N.Y., has opened a garage in his father's

**Christmas Tree** 

Event. Lansdowne, Dec. 31 .- On Monday afternoon, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. H. J. Peck, Mrs. W. H. Wallis, aged seventy-seven years, passed peacefully away after several months illness. Her husband predeceased her a little over a year ago. She leaves three daughters, Mrs.

Robert J. Keating, Montana; Mrs.W. I. Keating, Winnipeg, and Mrs. Helen J. Peck, Lansdowne. The bread route for J. H. Mox et & Son, to Westport to see Sister St. Andrian daughter to Chalmers Presbyterian changes took place on Menty last. | home from Kitchener to spend the church, where the Rev. I. N. Beck- Mr. Thebideau, of the Ban of To- holidays. Ward Saunderson is spend which the remains were placed in Owen Sound.

ticed at the Social Club dance, on House. The Anglican Sunta school home at Oxford Mills. Friday night, were Miss Kathleen children had a rollicking and time Potter, Montreal; Miss Eva Doak, at their Christmas tree enertain-Ottawa: Miss Alma Turner, Toronto; Mrs. James Lorimer. Brockville; rickville public school, is spending Miss Myrtle McCullough, Kempther holidays with her parents, Mr. ville; Miss M. Donovan, Toronto; and Mrs. John Seymour, Toledo. Mr. Mrs. Alex. Lawson, Ottawa; C. A. and Mrs. John Stimson, Ottawa, and Lucas, Acton; Robert Sheppard, Mamie Brigginshaw, of the civil ser- Belleville; Paul Potter, Toronto;

home of Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Leeder succeeded Gordon Graham as ex. chell, returned home on Monday, Mr. and Mabel McEwen, of S.H.S., are

Voting on church union has begun in connection with the Lansdowne Presbyterian congregation. The poll is open at the home of C. W. Laudon, from one to two o'clock daily, except that on January 5th the voting will be in the evening from 7 to 8 and on Wednesday, 14th, in the church from one to two.

Congregational meetings in consection with church union have been arrived home for the winter. Mr. announced for Fairfax and Sand and Mrs. Dalton Halladay spent Bay, the former on Friday evening, Christmas with the latter's parents. January 2nd, and the latter, on Sun- Misses Marjorie Charland and Anna who has recently leased her farm to day, in the afternoon.

be held in the town hall, on Satur- the civil service, were visitors over spending his holiday at his mother's Wilmer Denby has taken over a

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ment, in the Stewart House all, on sent and candles to each ca S. C. E. Dixon is painting

interior of Wilstead school and Mrs. Arthur Newberry and fam- holidaying at home. his building there,

Many Visitors at Elgin. Elgin, Dec. 29 .- M. J. O'Brien has

Misses Carty were recent visitors fabrics for southern wear.

by Grocers and Druggists.

funeral was held on Wednesday and Ross McNeill succeeds ir. Den- who is spending the holiday season afternoon from the residence of her by on the Latimer Road rous These | there. Ambrose Linton has arrived stead conducted the service after ronto staff, spent the holisys in ing his holidays with Rev. Mr. Sanderson. Mrs. Teeky and little son, Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Lawn, Jr., John, who are holidaying in the Among those from a distance no- Ottawa, are guests at the stewart village, will leave shortly for their

Tichborne News. Tichborne, Dec. 29 .- The recent Tuesday evening, Dec. 23 d Games winds have left the roads bare. All were played, moving picture were are looking forward to the social shown, refreshments were served evening to be held in the hall on and Santa distributed a little pre- Tuesday evening. Mr. and Mrs. R. Steele and daughter; Mr. and Mrs. the J. Allison and daughter spent a few days with friends here. Miss Miss Helen Robinson, Lyn, was a Stella McEwen, Kingston, spent a spending their holidays with friends, and Mrs. Kidney, Ottawa, attended recent guest of Mrs. H. Peck, Mr. few days at her home. Orvie Moin Toledo. A number of the young the funeral of the late Mrs. Wallis and Mrs. Harold Sifton, Toronto, Elewen, Queen's University, Ford people of Toledo gathered at the on Wednesday. Mr. Bradley has who have been visiting Mrs. B. Mit- Swerbrick, Misses Jewel Thompson

> ily, Greenfield, Quebec, were recent Mrs. E. Dermott and family, Belleguests of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Latour. ville, spent a few days recently with J. D. E. Sheppard had a building, friends. Miss Olive Dermott, Kingwhich adjoined the old mill, remov- ston, spent Christmas with her pared to the front road and will use it ents. Mr. and Mrs. G. Hamilton for an ice house in connection with spent Christmas with relatives in Kingston, S. McDwen at William Steele's; E. Kennedy at T. Mo-Ewen's; Miss H. Stoole at T. E. Swerbrick's.

Mrs. Con. McGuinty, Fourth Line. Moore, Ottawa Normal, are spend- Charles Sells, has left for her home Miss Dickey, R.N., Ottawa, who ing their holidays at home. The An- at Calabogie. In her departure from Merrill Philips made a business has been nursing Mrs. Wallis, re- glican Christmas tree was held on the district the community losses a

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