BIDING ON A DESERT. of the joyousness of things that he be-

A TRIP OVER THE SAHARA NOT ALWAYS UNPLEASANT.

The Backing Camel and His Pranks-Imagines Himself the Humming Bird, to Which Kipling's Fancy Compared



ISHING to give our baggage camels another day's rest before starting on the trying journey from Murat Wells to Wady Halfa we profited by the delay to take a long ride out on the Abu-Hamed road with our good friend Abdul Azim

Bey, says a writer in the London News. The ostensible object of this excursion was to see a huge rock in the shape of a crocodile that Abdul Azim had discovered not long since about a couple of hours out from Murat and a few hundred yards away from the Abu-Hamed caravan track. This rock, said our guide, had never yet been seen by Europeans,

Mounted on a couple of our friend's best bred running camels, and escorted all bicycle riders. An invention, paby some half-dozen well-armed tribesmen on small, active beasts as swift as our own, we set out at that fast trot which is as pleasant on a well-bred Hadjuy, as on a rough, hard-set brute it is excruciatingly painful. It was just after dawn and the air was delicious, for the sun does not begin to get really flerce until after 7 a. m., and as we wound down the Khor and out among the Kopjes of the desert, with a pleasant breeze fanning our faces, with the camel's pad striking crisply on the firm, gravelly sand, and the men's accouterments jingling rhythmically as they and our spirits buoyant with the exhil-

gan suddenly to buck. Now, a bucking camel is, of all the pleasant sights in nature, the most laughable. The great beast seems at these moments of expansion to put off his camel nature and

to imagine himself literally the humming bird to which Mr. Kipling's fancy has compared him. For instance, when the spirit moves him to buck, the camel of a sudden hurls himself high into the air, spreading out all his splay limbs at right angles to his unwieldy "arcass. And he alights, after this grc _que effort, with his feet all abroad, and a rock-splitting, spine-dissolving thud, only to make a fresh and more extravagant departure. It is a soul-stirring performance. He

brings a marvelous perseverance to the exercise and will keep it up over half a mile of country. But it is the humming bird he is aping all the while, the graceful colibri flashing jewel-like into the air (here the camel projects himself into space) or poising featherlight on the oleander blossom (here he cracks a mountain on alighting). And he seems quite satisfied with the measure of success he attains, though it is at best a success de'estime.

An Ingenious Bicycle Lock.

A locking device is looked upon as an esesntial feature to every wheel by tented by Max Gessler, and known as the "Gessler lock," is being placed on the market by Walter E. Lindsay & Co., of Milwaukee. The lock is it can lay its teeth down when not placed inside the front tubing of the catching any food. frame, and does not mar its appearance in the least. It is cylindrical in form, one inch long, and secured by means forcing it outwardly or inwardly, lock-



BOY'S ESSAY ON SHARKS.

He Shows Much Skill in Constructing a Fish Story.

An examiner of lads under 16 for the civil-service commission gave for a question, "Describe the habits of fish," says the London Church Times. Here is a literal transcript of one out of a batch of some hundreds of answers:

"The shark is about twenty feet long, and has five rows of teeth when the shark is going to catch its pray it turns on its side. The sharks are found in India, where they are very numerous in Africa, etc. The way to catch sharks is lowering a piece of meat on a sharp hook (and sailors will do it for amusement), and the shark is very hungry always, that he will grab at the meat and find himself caught.

"One of his foes are the sord fish it will go and run its sword through its stummick.

"When the shark has been floating about on the water for some time it gets a lot of small fish in its mouth and they will go and lay on the beach and let small birds come in their mouth and pick them off and will not heart them. The shark can live in water and on land. Going from England to Indiad, you will see sharks in the nile, they will follow ships for many miles on purpose to get some meat, and then perhaps not get any. They are different kinds of sharks, the Black shark,

etc. "The shark is a very curious animal,

"Once upon a time there was a ship going to america, and on board some slaves the slaves were packed so close of a rubber washer expanded against together that they could not live, and the side of the tubing. 'The locking the captin of the ship you'st to let some and unlocking is effected by means of a come upon deck, and many of the key which engages the bolt directly, slaves you'st to jump oveboard, and be eat with sharks, so the captin detering the front wheel at an angle and mined to stop it if he could. So one day thus bringing the blcycle out of opera- a black slave woman was just in the jogged along, we felt our blood tingle tive position. Some of the points of acted to jump overboard when the capsuperiority claimed for this lock are: tin caught her, and had as many slaves aration due partly to the glorious cli- First, it engages neither spokes nor as he could upon deck. And then he A DIFFICULT OUESTION.

It Seemed an Easy One, but the Query Editor Blundered Over It.

From the Chicago Post: "The question, sir," said the chairman of the delegation, "is an important one, but more difficult to answer than you would think when you first hear it. We have wagered a matter of three glasses of beer and two cigars on it, also, so there is a double reason why you should be very careful in answering it."

"Fire away," said the query editor shortly.

"Well, you see it's this way," explained the spokesman. "Over in our ward there were two men named John Jones, and they were father and son. Is that clear?"

"Perfectly. Go ahead." '

"Well, last night they were both burned to death in the same house, and to-day when we were making up a list of those who lost their lives the boys

insisted on putting down 'John Jones, Sr.,' and 'John Jones, Jr.'" "Quite right," asserted the query edi-

tor. "That's what we came to ask you

about," returned the spokesman. "01 course, we all knew who was meant, but technically-" "Technically it was exactly right,"

interrupted the query editor. "Sure?"

"Sure! Of course, I'm sure. Hot else would you refer to them?"

'Oh, if you're so dead sure about it we're not going to dispute you, but you ought to take all the technicalities intc consideration."

"I have!" thundered the query editor. "If you can advance any reason why they should be referred to in any other way, fire ahead; if you can't, get out and let me go on with my work."

"Well," said the spokesman slowly and deferentially. "I'd figured it out a little differently. You see, the old man lived down stairs and the boy lived on the floor above, and the fire started in the basement. Consequently, it stands to reason that the old man died first." "What of it?" demanded the query

you say that-"

The chairman of the delegation dodged and a paper-weight struck the wall. Then the delegation retired, while the query editor kicked himself around the room and declared that the next man who tried to play him for a

Lord Russell's visit to America reminds the London Chronicle of an an- tion this paper. cient story. It says that during Lord Russell's previous tour in this country with Lord Coleridge he came in

Guesses at Truth.

The man who is surest of a. thing is most likely to be mistaken. Knowledge is apt to be disgested; ignorance alone is positively certain. Passionate and romantic love never

reasons because it is too fervid and intense to admit of any such calmness as is essential to reason. If it could rea son would it not cease to be romantie or passionate?

To be entirely charming to a man woman must retain a large part of her mystery.

As no man is a hero to his valet, no voman is a heroine to her husband .-Harper's Barar.

He Did.

From the Chicago Post. The justice leaned over the desk and eyed the prisoner sharply, for he prid-ed himself on being a judge of human

nature. "I suppose you work," he said sar castically.

"Everyone," replied the prisoner tersely.

"Except me," corrected the judge, feeling that his position entitled him to last throw in the game of repartee. And he was so pleased with his own success as a humorist that he made the fine only \$5 and costs.

I telieve Fiso's Cure is the only medicine that will cure consumption.-Anna Ross, Williamsport, Pa., Nov. 12, '95.

The October number of the North American Review may fitly be called a campaign number. It contains arti-cles on campaign subjects by Speaker Reed, the secretary of the navy, An-drew Carnegie, Bishop Merrill of the M. E. church, Louis Windmuller, and Judge Walter Clark, of the supreme court of North Carolina. Judge Clark's article is especially interesting as being an authorative outline of the changes which he and other advocates of free silver would make in the con-

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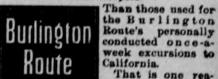
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Told Once More.

contact with many members of the bar, including Mr. Evarts. It was while walking with Mr. Evarts one day along ten pounds in ten days. Over 400,000 cured.

"What of it?" demanded the query editor. "Why, when the old man died the young man ceased to be 'junior,' didn'i he?" "Um-ah—" "And if he did he was not John Jones, Jr., when he died. Consequently

no John Jones, Jr., died at all. That is the way I figured it out, but, of course, a query editor is always right, and if



the American continent. A trifle of one Osborn and other scientists. or two million years ago the region that is now Dakota, Utah and other states in the Rocky Mountains was plains of the present were lagoons filled ing the peculiar formation of the horns with warm water and surrounded by and their arrangement. The body was waving palms and other vegetable longer, but in other respects resembled growth to be found in torrid zones. The an elephant, and when grown it region was inhabited by animals, strange and weird-animals which have long since become extinct and their less brain in proportion to its size than bones are now burled under three miles any other warm-blooded animal. With animals that have been extinct for a of solid rock.

Prof. Henry F. Osborn, curator in the American Museum of Natural History, has written an interesting story of these prehistoric animals, which ap-Knight has drawn pictures of them years after the last than those of the ago,

The great four-horned uintathere was found in the Bridger region of Southern Wyoming and Utah. A picless than a pound. The uintathere had its tremendous body its brain was as small as that of a dog, and to this fact

early extinction.

Time has brought many changes to from descriptions furnished by Prof. unitathere, thus proving that the bones are plentiful in the South Dakota Lake basin, and are always found in a strata higher than those of the uintathere, thus proving blessed with a tropical climate, the arid ture of its head is reproduced, show- that its family tree does not extend backward so far. The pictures show what the animal looked like when alive. He was about the same size as the uintathere, but had more brains and should weighed two tons. Its brain weighed have lived longer, but he failed to do 80

> Among the fossils and skeletons of million years are found skeletons of turtles, alligators and garfish, exactly Prof. Osborn attributes the animal's like those to be found at the present age. They have survived, whether

The titanothere was another giant they were fittest or not, and live to-day pears in the September Century. Chas, that flourished perhaps a half million as their ancestors did two million years

mate and partly to the thought that we sprockets, doing away with the ruinous had a roap fastened around her waist, really were at last well within the enemy's borders.

open nearer Khartoum than ourselves. hilltop he was able to see that town home .-- Indianapolis Sentinel. and the Nile.

towely morning. Its glamour was over were conducting an eager argument at guage, with its absurd, bewildering "effect" interjected, it would seem quite involuntarily, at every third word. The others of our escort were chanting alate verses of a lugubrious song, in se refrain the mean of the sakeeah. refractory camel.

it was by the song. All of them de- which is the same thing, for the a. -

before unlocking the machine. Secnon-pickable. Fourth, weighs less than "his adventurous spirit was Col. Run- two ounces, is easily operated, guickly he jumped overboard." die Pasha, who in 1885 or 1886 rode so adjusted, is always in the machine far toward Abu Hamed that from a when needed; not in your pocket or at

Not alone were we affected by the A sure Way of Locating a Pusciure.

"I picked up a new thing for riders our escort of Abadeh (generally the of the wheel in New York a few days) nt taciturn of folks), four of whom ago," suggested a popular wheelman. "Those who have had trouble in finding hot speed in the quaint, primitive lan- small punctures will appreciate it. You know the customary way to locate a puncture is to immerse the wheel in a learn everything that is going on, both tub of water. Wherever the air bubbles there will be found the puncture. In some cases, however, the air pressure is not sufficient to make the air bubuse of a saw and the creaking of bles. In cases of this kind lather some an ungreased wagon wheel appeared to soap and smear it over the tire. A are less shrewd and sly than our conbe defily blended with the grousing of soap hubble will form then over every victs .- New York World. puncture, it matters not how small it

camels themselves appeared to is. Once located, nearly every rider be affected by the morning, or perhaps knows what to do, or thinks he damaned themselves quite skittishly majority send them to the shops to be ad one was so overcome by his sense repaired, anyhow."--Washington Star. I ever get.

effect produced by attempting to ride and lowered her overboard, when a shark came and bitt a half off her off. For, as Abdul Azim said, when we ond, hammers, files, pliers, nippers are and then the captin had the other half had ridden an hour or so, only one Eu- harmless. The lock is out of sight, pulled up and sown to the slaves on an since the Nile campaign had and cannot be gotten at. Third, it is deck, and then said to them that he would do any one of them the same if

Harrible Sectuation.

One of the alleged dynamiters who have just been released from an English prison says he did not hear a single item of news from the outside world in all the years of his confine-He did not even know that ment. Parnell was dead. In our prisons, which have the same rules of silence and absolute seclusion, the inmates within and without the prison, by a system of signs that defies the watchfulness of the guards. Either English prisons are better governed than ours or else the inmates of English prisons

The thuly toppostualty.

Mrs. Talkalot-What doos make you talk so much in your sleep, Joseph? Joseph-Gosh! It's the only chance

had thrown a dollar right across. The water was wide, and Lord Russell looked doubtful. "You know a dollar went further in those days than it goes now." The American lawyer blandly insinuated. "Ah," said Lord Russell, quite equal to the occasion, "and it may have been easy enough to Wash-

Students Build Water Works. The students at Park college, Parkville, Mo., are an enterprising lot of young men. They are going to build a water works system for the town. The college is conducted partly on the co-operative plan.

a sovereign across the Atlantic."

CAUSE AND CURE OF HEADACHE

An eminent physician says the best treatment for headache is preventive, and if we would all allot eight hours for work, eight for play, and eight for sleep, we would rarely suffer from this cause.

The headache which comes from diseased eyes is most common and least recognized. Its symptoms are pain in the eyes, temples and over the brows. Hot water is a very valuable stimulant for the eyes.

For nervous headache a hot bath, a stroll in the cool air or a nap in a cool, quiet room will often be found successful. A headache from fatigue may be helped by pressing a sponge wet with hot water on the nape of the neck and on the temples.

Bilious or sick headaches are common to the first half of life, and sometimes stop of their own accord when one reaches middle age. They come when a person has eaten food which does not digest readily, and a careful diet is imperative, sweetmeats and pastry being especially dangerous.

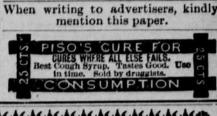
Neuralgia is caused not only by cool air, but by acidity of the sigmach. starved nerves or imperfect diet. Heat is the best remedy and mustard plasters applied to the stomach and legs will do more good than any madicine. Cold water applied to the nerves in front of the car has been known to work magic in chasing away neuralgic pains.

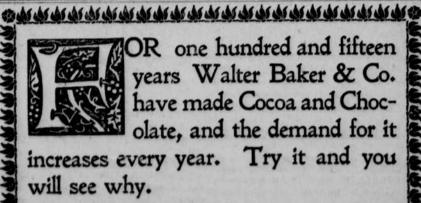
Headache may be caused by diseased conditions of the blood, by nervous irritation and by inflammation of the nerves of the head or adjacent tissues, this last being infrequent. Liver torpidity and catarrhal troubles have much to do with headaches, as they affect the blood. Nerve irritation comes in many forms. The nerves terminate. throughout the body, in the muncley and on mucous surfaces, in delicate fitaments and little round bodies. Continued irritation of these terminals will cause headache

the banks of a stream that his atten-tion was called to a point at which Washington, according to a tradition, If afflicted with Thompson's Eye Water.

W. N. U., OMAHA-42-1896 The Lingo Too Much For Her. Mr. Ferry-During the row, while the visitors were wrangling with the umpire, Batsy took the opportunity to sneak home amid the plaudits of the assembled rooters. Mrs. Ferry-The ideal Why should they applaud a man who is such a cow-

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