

# PERSIAN HERETICS.

### A PERSECUTED SECT DRIVEN OUT BY THE PRESENT SHAH.

The Rise and Fall of Bab, the Mohammedan Reformer—His Brave Though Untimely Death—The Greater Beha, Who Is an Exile from His Native Land.

Professor Browne, lecturer in Persian at the University of Cambridge, has written a curious book, entitled "The Episode of the Bab." Probably a few people know who the Bab is, but Mr. Browne's researches are certain to awaken interest in the man who was the arch heretic of Persia in the early part of the reign of the present shah. He died a violent death at the hands of the government when it was learned that the heresy that he preached threatened the peace of the national church. His followers live and are faithful to his memory and teachings.

The Bab was a Mohammedan reformer, who went to Mecca and came back with a new commentary on the Koran. He spoke of himself as superior to Mohammed and to all other great religious reformers, but he announced that a greater than he was coming. That greater one is Beha, who lives in an earthly paradise called Behje, near Tyre, where Professor Browne found him. The author says he feels quite unequal to the task of conveying a vivid impression of the faces and forms that surrounded him during his visit to this strange retreat. He almost runs short of adjectives when he describes the wondrous and venerable figure of the holy man. He says he beheld a face which he will never forget, although he cannot describe it. The piercing eyes seemed to read his very soul. "No need to ask in whose presence I stood as I bowed myself before one who is the object of a devotion and love which kings might envy and emperors sigh for in vain."

Beha's preaching is a prophecy of the "most great peace" and of the brotherhood and unity of man. The brotherhood of the entire race is coming, he predicts. Prof. Browne says Beha knows the exact position of European affairs and is sorry for the western nations. He sees kings and rulers lavishing their treasures in the purchase of means of destruction instead of procuring the means of happiness. Meekness, concord, obedience, submission are the essentials of his secret in the perfect way. He is loved and revered by all his followers wherever they may be, and many a message from him is read in the secret meetings in Persia of the humble followers of the Bab.

The Bab was not learned in the law like the great doctors of the church, and for that reason they held him in contempt. It was his habit to dispute with them in the temples, and although he was ignorant his wisdom put their knowledge to shame. They said he proved himself an impostor because he talked bad grammar. He showed them that his grammar was the grammar of the Koran, and asked them if it was not better to be wrong with the prophet than right with the rest of the world. Whenever he became too troublesome they beat him with rods. At last they had him shot. A company of infantry was drawn up, and the Bab and one of his followers were placed before it as targets. The first discharge killed the follower, but only broke the cords that bound the prophet. He might have converted his executioners then if he had had time to make the most of the situation. But before he could speak the second volley was fired and the Bab died of many wounds.

His followers were terribly incensed at the outrage, and tried to assassinate the shah. It is said that he fainted with terror at the sight of the conspirators, and was only saved by the timely arrival of his escort. For a time he made Persia very unsafe for the followers of the Bab. He killed their leaders, and to this day those who escaped from their native land have never dared to return. Among the victims was the one Salvation Lass of the movement, the beautiful Kurratu'l-Ayn, who, it is said, was a miracle of learning and of every feminine charm. She was killed by slow torture, and to the very last she declared her supreme faith in the teachings of the Bab. The Mollahs who slew her came near rebelling a few months ago when their lord and master threatened to interfere with the tobacco question in Persia. They made him tremble for his life and throne until the obnoxious measure he proposed were rescinded. Meanwhile Beha is waiting patiently in exile, confident that the day will come when his teachings will triumph in Persia and the leaders of his faith can return to their land.—New York Sun.

**A Coon Story.**  
Two men located a varmint in a tree and one scaled up for the prize. After an interval of several minutes, which were enlivened by skirmishing among the foliage, the man on the ground called out, "John, have you got him?" "I have," came the decided response. "Do you want me to climb up and tip you hold him?"

"Thunder and lightning, no! I wish you'd come up and help me let loose!"—Ashville American.

**Faults.**  
If I were as rich as my right hand neighbor, I should have his faults; if I were as poor as my left hand neighbor, he would have his. Being myself, I have none.—Manley H. Pike in Century.

# THE BIG BONANZA MINE.

**A Smoking Hole in the Ground Out of Which Mackay Took \$150,000,000.**  
I was strolling with Mackay some years ago in Virginia City, when we looked down a smoking cavity in the ground that was soon lost in the darkness, and at the mouth of which a windlass was slowly grinding. "Out of that hole," he said, "I took \$150,000,000 in bullion." This was one of the famous Bonanza mines, whose history all men know. The Big Bonanza, as it was called, and as Mackay described it to me at the time, was a "kidney" or a "pocket" of crude ore, about as high as the steeple of Trinity and in area as large as the City Hall park of New York. This ore, shoveled out and reduced, gave the stupendous yield to which Mr. Mackay referred, and was the foundation of the Bonanza fortunes.

Associated with him were three other gentlemen, whose names were to win a worldwide mining fame—James G. Fair, afterward senator from Nevada, whose skill as a mining expert had attracted the attention of Mackay; William O'Brien, and James C. Flood. O'Brien and Flood had come to California as friends in the Argonaut days, and had like other men taken their humble parts in the creation of the Pacific states. In those times men who were to be major generals in the army drove drags for a living. Others who were to become luminous in statesmanship and jurisprudence joyfully mended their own trousers and washed their own linen.

They were "partners," a term that Bret Harte has pathetically explained in one of his exquisite stories. "Partners," that is to say, friends, with a friendship such as we who live outside of the atmosphere of adventure which unfolded the Argonaut days cannot understand, and which would be but vaguely explained if we compared it to the love of man and woman. "Billy was my partner once," as Mr. Flood said to me one day in Menlo, while we were looking at the portrait of O'Brien; "Billy was my partner once. He is my partner now, will be my partner forever"—a speech which made a deep impression, coming as it did from the lips of one of the most resolute, self-restrained and undemagogic of men. Flood was the financial representative and the ally of the two young miners who were at work on the Bonanza; O'Brien, the "partner" in the firm, because Flood could have no interest he did not share.

O'Brien passed away in Bonanza times—Flood not many months since, in Germany. He was a brave, independent, reserved, conscientious man, especially charming and true in the higher relations of life—no better citizen, no truer friend—"in all that goes toward the true development of manhood, the best man I have ever known," as Mackay said to me when the hour of irrevocable silence had fallen. "I know only one man in the world that can break me, and that is Mackay." This Flood said to me and I note it as showing the strong links which in those days bound the Bonanza firm and gave it a strength and a confidence which were the basis of its power.—John Russell Young in Munsey's Magazine.

### Beauty as a National Trait.

Is there any handsome people on the face of the globe? Now, we may set aside the black and yellow and polychrome races in general, many of whom are well shaped and like bronze statues to look upon, but who do not come up to the Aryan standard in features and color. Leaving these children of nature out of the question, it may be confessed that there is no race among whom beauty is common. If the ancient Greeks were like their statues, then there once was a beautiful race, but it is not so certain that they did not idealize themselves a good deal. There is the more reason to guess this, as when they have to represent a barbarian, say a Gaul or a German or a professional prize fighter, they make these people as handsome as themselves, though in a rougher way.

There is a famous bronze statue of a boxer, who might be taken for an orator or a poet were it not for his heavy metal studded gloves. Thus it may be deemed that there is a great proportion of the ideal in these statues, vases, coins and figures, where every one is so graceful and goodly. Every nation has a high opinion of its own charms. The French pride themselves on small feet, and it is certain that their women walk very little, and have cunning bootmakers.—London News.

### Kept the Least for Himself.

Three ragged newsboys were trying to sell the earlier editions of the afternoon papers. A man carrying a large basket of fine looking oranges on his shoulder passed close by. The motion of his body loosened one of the biggest and ripest and it fell to the ground. The man kept on, not noticing or caring for the loss. The orange lay upon the pavement for about half a minute unseen. Then the largest of the three ragged urchins spied it, and with a cry of delight he ran over and picked it up. It was natural to suppose that he would proceed to eat it all himself, but instead of doing so he called his companions and exhibited his find. They eyed it greedily.

Without any request from them for a share in the coveted fruit the finder divided the orange into three parts and gave his fellow newsboys each a part. The smallest part he reserved for himself. It was only a small thing in itself, yet it proved, I thought, that there was something noble hidden under the ragged garments of that little urchin.—New York Recorder.

### Wives of Some English Writers.

Beaconsfield married a lively young widow, who made him perfectly happy, and he never lost an occasion of singing her praises. Dr. Arnold, of Rugby, is cited as having an almost ideal home life, and also the late Dean Stanley. All the world knows how happy the Gladstones are in their family circle, and so it is with many others.—Writer.

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