

KING AK-SAR-BEN MENACED

Expedition Projected to Invade the Golden City of Quivera.

LOYAL SIR KNIGHTS, WHAT SAY YOU? Coronado's Dream Believed to Be a Good One—What the Invaders Propose to Do and How They'll Do It.

Slow the trumpet! Beat the tom-tom! Gadooks, there's an enemy in the realm of King Ak-Sar-Ben. Arise, Sir Knights, and smite him hip and thigh.

Alarming news is wafted westward on the eastern wind, menacing the peace and security of the Golden City of Quivera. Envious rivals seek the throne which Ak-Sar-Ben has occupied for years with honor and renown.

It must be admitted that there is some justification for the project, started in Washington, to search for the Golden City of Quivera. Thousands of King Ak-Sar-Ben's knights have made the pilgrimage, enduring various grades of hardships.

The most remarkable myth now showing signs of life after a sleep of 362 years is no other than the old story of the Golden City of Quivera. This metropolis, according to tradition, was situated somewhere between Kansas and Mexico.

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The Tree Planter's Mission

Object Lesson of J. Sterling Morton's Life.

A striking incident occurred out in mid-Nebraska the other day, says the New York Independent, one that should be pondered by every dweller in the unforested lands, east or west. The funeral services of the late J. Sterling Morton were held at the homestead where, in 1855, Mr. Morton and his young wife located their claim.

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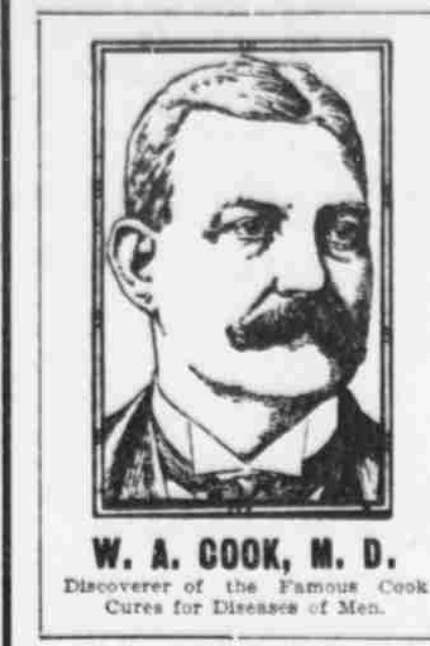
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The articles which appear criticizing the action of the State Board of Equalization, and compiling columns of figures headed "No Loss by Distribution."

Jews and Primroses An Instructive Parallel.

One of the most illuminating announcements of modern science, says the New York Independent, is that made by Prof. Hugo de Vries of the University of Amsterdam.

But we would not now speak of the theories of the origin of species discussed by Lamarck, Darwin, Weismann and De Vries.

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second thought had entered his mind he said:

"Where does this man live?"

"But Mrs. Corbyn was on her guard and did not propose to allow any of her precious secrets to escape. She said:

"Well, that is my secret. If you knew that you would know where to find the treasure."

Thus after the lapse of 362 years the old Quivera myth, belonging to the same category as the Eldorado myth, the Northwest passage myth.

Chicago News: A man seldom marries unless he is in love or in debt.

An overproduction of rubber would result in a gum-drop.

It is never too late to learn that we are sometimes too late.

The man who talks, but fails to act, is trying to get a reputation on credit.

It sometimes happens that a man is absent-minded when his wife's away.

The man who persists in doing nothing is entitled to first prize for perseverance.

Some policemen are tender-hearted. Occasionally one gives a ragged tramp a rap.

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