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The Romance of Famous Gems

The Great Mogul - The Diamond That a Queen Was Not Rich Enough to Buy.

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Queen Anne of England, Who Did Not have Money Enough in existence." to Buy the Great Mogul.

The literature of genus is for the most part scattered through the narratives of travelers, among disconnected chapters of history. In memoirs of royal and imperial court and in encyclopedias. Th basilisk eye of some great diamond flashes in the dark background of almost every famous event in teh history of southern Asia since Europeans began to explore it.

The names of some of these celebrated stones have become household words, and he sight or sound of them awakens feelngs of undying curlosity, occasionally mingled with the thrill of mystery. Such a gem is the Great Mogul, which has happily been called "the meteor of diamonds.

"Like the Regent and the Kohlnoor, the Great Mogul was a product of the Golconda district, having been found in Cani mine, which was famous for its huge diamonds, though none ever approached this one in size.

When discovered it is said to have weighed not less than 787 karats, but it was reduced by a gem cuttor to 280 karats. When it came from the cutter's hands, according to the only description and drawing which we have of it (those of Tavernier, the celebrated traveler. who was an expert in gems), it was a hemispherical dome with a fiat base, apparently an inch and a half in diameter and an inch and an eighth in height, having its surface cut into a "rose," with about 180 facets.

The first owner of the Great Mogui who can be traced is the Emir Jemia. who, according to Tavernier, was a kind

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The famous traveler's description o the big diamond electrified his readers in Europe, and has been quoted and en larged upon thousands of times by modern writers, but so far as any record exists, the stone itself has never since rels. Nevertheless, this is true.

My religion is a part of my very life. It flashed into view for an I was brought up in a religious family. instant and then flashed out again, truly Herbert was not. He went to church Naturally, the stone's disappearance when he felt like it, and he did not feel has enhanced its fame, and has caused like it often. His people were not con-

nected with any especial denomination. numberiess legends, pure inventions of All of mine were. the imagination, to cluster about it. At-One need not belong to any church. tempts have been made to identify it with the Kohlmoor and other celebrated Indian gems, but these have been shown minds me. I know this is true. Knowing it, I try not to be unhappy because to be groundless, for Tavernier's descrip-Herbert is not a church member. He you today." tion and rawing, which nobody seriously challenges, show that the stone possessed is a good man, yet his attitude toward sacred matters is very trying to me. characteristic features which would pro-"My belief is as strong as yours," yent it from being confounded with any said recently when I regretted his atti- ing service I added: other known. tude, "only we take our religion in a

Was it stolen, and then out up into very different way." smaller brilliants in order to baffle de-This was apropos of the fact that he tection, or was it destroyed in some of had not accompanied me to church for the wars, or political upheavals, or palace intrigues, which were so frequent in the form of asking, "Are you coming Hindustan. These are among the unmaswered questions that have been asked with me, dear?" and each time he says, as if it were not always his custom to home, unhappy and wretched. concerning the fate of the Great Mogul, reply, "Well, no, dear, I think I'll stay Writers of tomance, of course, have seized upon so notable a mystery as a at home today." subject for their invention, and the Great "As you always do," I remarked dryly times, when there is anything he wants the last time he made this reply.

Mogul has played the imaginary part of a mystic eye, of unparalleled brightness, gleaning mysteriously in the darkness of a many-columned cave on the forehead of an Indian idol.

There is a quaint quality in Tavernier's account of the unskillful cutting to which, in his opinion, the great gem had been subjected

"It was Hortensio Borgis, a Venetian, who cut it, for which he was sufficiently hadly recompensed, for when it was seen

what he had done he was reproached with having ruined the stone, which should have remained heavier, and, instead of paying him for his work, the king fined him 10,000 rupees, and would have taken more if he had possessed it. if Sleur Hortensio had understood his business he would have been able to get several good pieces from this stone without doing any wrong to the king, and

with ut having the trouble to grind it down, but he was an unskillful diamond

Thomas Pitt, grandfather of the earl fered the Great Mogul diamond when he of Chatham, is said to have been of-



Why We Quarreled Th.

By Virginia Terhune Van de Water does that make? It doesn't hurt any, is it right for me, a church member.

"It might help you if you went to conditions? If this kind of thing con-(Copyright, 1915, Star Company.) church." I said. "I don't see it," he objected, "I work only for women and young children. ! It sounds wicked to say that religion s one of the matters about which my hard all the week. Sunday is my one can't bear that thought. Besides this husband and I have our bitterest quarday of rest. Moreover, Dr. Blank's ser- it makes me a bit ashamed when my

mons bore me." "Then let's go to hear some other bort is, and I have to say, "At home. preacher." 1 proposed, hopefully. But he declined.

my father remarkes regretfully. "Where's Hob?" he asked a few min-I know that he ought, but, if I instat. 7 utes later as 1 started out alone. Bob but confirm him in his obstinacy and dis-

out small son, aged 10, inclination. I heard a clergyman say "He did not care to go with me," I once that nobody was ever scolded into explained. "He says that if you don't go the kingdom of heaven. And I know to be a Christian, my husband often re- he does not see why he need do so." that if I speak harshly or try to drive "A chip of the old block!" laughed my Herbert where he will not be ied I am husband, "But I'll coar him to go with not living the Christian charity that try to live, and am but defeating my own He did, and Hob sulked all the way desire and purpose. Yet it is hard to

to the sanctuary and back. The next speak gently always when my heart is Sunday when I spoke of attending morn- so deeply concerned.

"Don't you ever take time to think of "I shall not take Bob. He doean't like God?" I asked Herbert on day, my voice church, dear," I added timidly, "you trembling with unhappiness. are setting him an example of unbelief."

A Bit of Autobiography from the Wife

Whose Husband Won't Go to Church.

"Why, yes," he said, careleasly, "of Of course, a guarrel ensued, in which urse 1 do." many Sundays. Each week I go through my husband made the statement recorded

"In other words," I accused, moved to above. The discussion led nowhere, but adignation by his easy attitude of mind, left me so shaken that I, myself, stayed you patronize Him."

tinues Bob will consider religion a thing

people ask me every Sunday where Her-

"He ought to attend service oftener,

Herbert shrugged his shoulders. "At all events," he rejoined coolly, believes in God, and that he prays, somelief in Him does not have the effect on me that your religion has on you. It very badly. "Not that I think it does on not make me my the cruel things 'If I do," he argued, "what difference much good," he supplements skeptically. that you say. To my way of thinking, a man's faith is between his Maker and himself, and if it's good for much it ought to make him tolerant of other people's ideas."

> I knew that my wicked impatience justifed this speech of his, and I felt that that I had been false to my profession. Yet when my husband's mother was very ill he came to me with the anguished request that I pray for her reovery.

"And ask your pastor to pray, too!" he segged. "Surely God will hear our prayera!"

To me it seems mean and cowardly to neglect the Almighty when life is bright and smooth, and then when you are in trouble to cry out for His help. But I did not say this to my husband. He was unhappy enough already. Nor did I ask him later, when his mothe was well, if he had returned thanks for her recovery. As he had reminded me. that was a matter that should be be tween God and himself.

Fut knowing, as I do, how much religion helps one to meet temptation and to live the square, honest life, have not a right to expect my husband to uphold my beliefs to our child?

I am not a good woman, but if I had not my faith I would be a worse one. If I am ever patient, forgiving, kind, it is because of my religion. Am I unreasonable in wishing my husband to show by his life and speech the power of eternal things? If he will not do this to come?

And is it not a sin for a man and wife to quarrel about religion?

Advice to Lovelorn : By Beatrice Fairley of idleness, but seek to terminate then Don't Rush Into Marriage.

Wait Until He is Free.

Yet what can 1 do? Herbert says

Fairiax

man my senior. He is very foud of a
married woman, but expects to marry
mo the latter part of this month. He
has no use for my mother, and he doesn't
intend having me go to see any of my
relatives after I am married to him.
Would it be your opinion for me to marry
him or reconsider the matter?
Albeut would a do well to wait. Perhaps you can
toring him to take a different attitude
toward your people.Wait Until He is Free.
User Miss Fairfax: I am 25 and have
hown a young man of 77. He is married,
but is going to be separated in about six
months from now. I have known him for
five years, and he has always paid a
sood deal of attention to me, but I did
not think he meant anything, and for
that reason I have tried to avoid him.
Hout two weeks ago he told me of
his love and baked me to marry him as
soon as he is is free. He also has two d
a sood home and money for them. He
want to break my mother's heart, as I
love her dearly and love him, too. Shall
i marry this man and do you think he
rever been happy since the day he mar-
ried his wife, and I want to make him
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never been happy since the day he mar-
ried his wife, and I want to make him in
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vorce. You must not consider putting yourself in a position where the world State your case to your girl friend, can think unkindly of you. But when he You are far too young to be considering is free I see no reason against your marriage at present, and if she is of a marriage. Surely he need not always be similar age there is no reason why you unhappy because his first marriage was should feel that you are wasting her a blunder. Just wait patiently until he what about our boy's faith in the years time by being friends and no more. Un- is free and do not for one moment condoubtedly you will have a position soon; sider leaving your home until you go

Dear Miss Fairfax: I am 20 and 1 am in love with a charming girl. About two weeks ago I lost my position and have no prospects for another as yet. Do you think I should be attentive to this girl, as she has many admirers?

don't be discouraged about a few weeks from it as his wife.

Dear Miss Fairfux: 1 am a young giri of 17 years and am going with a young man my senior. He is very fond of a married woman, but expects to marry mo the latter part of this month. He has no use for my mother, and he doesn't littend having me go to see any of my relatives after 1 am married to him, Would it be your opinion for me to marry him or reconsider the matter? AMELIA W.



The Great Mogul Is a Diamond Shaped Like a Gumdrop, a Little Larger and Far Heavier Than an Ordinary Cubic Lump of Sugar, and Was Cut Down from a Huge Diamond Crystal Found in the Golconda Mine in India.

of secret partner in the Golconda mines, found himself obliged to purchase the was then reigning, and as a great factor, was governor of Madras. The price is ans as such apparently got the lion's favor of the Shah Jehan of Delhi by he was permitted to see the monarch's said to have been fixed at \$445,000, and share of the output, for he became cele- presenting him the paragon of his collection of jewels, among which, and Fitt is believed to have credited its real brated for his immense stores of gems, tion, the matchless diamond whose fame chief of which, was the stone now known value at that time at \$4,000,000. His paand possessed, according to general be- was already spread abroad over India, as the Great Mogul. Tavernier, as has triotism would have liked to see the dialief, so many diamonds that he counted although few persons had ever seen the been already remarked, was an expert mond so to Queen Anne, but her funds in gems, and his delight can be imagined were generally at low ebb-for royaltythem "by the sackful." stone. Amid the intricacles of oriental intrigue. In 1661 Tavernier visited the court of when he was allowed to take in his hand and were not equal to the strain of buy-

it came about that the Emir Jemia Delhi, where Aurungzebe, son of Jehan, and close inspect "the finest diamond ing the wrond-ous stone,

Why Some Girls Lack Admirers

theory at least, man is the pursuer and as a hungry dog is for a bone.

attentions, she should go warily and ens.

insistence on his coming to see her.

Inspiration

I heard you laugh

i heard you laugh.

I heard you laugh.

I heard you laugh.

Out in the crowded way.

Twas in a darkened room

And lo, a weary woman stopped to smile,

And lo, the sickroom echoed with a song-

A breath of Spring that lightened all the gloom;

A straying sunbeam touched your cheek in play.

Where pain had made the hours seen drear and long,

A newsboy sold a dozen papers, while

true, but the girl's success depends on real life, and the diffident damsel who

in her hands.

By DOROTHY DIX.

I get hundreds of letters from girls askselves admired by men.

are fatal.

cifically to answer this question and guaranteed rules for attracting the capricious masculine fancy, which, like the wind, bloweth where it listeth, and no one can tell when, or why, or where it listeth. Why some girls attract the admiration of men and others are passed over; why some women are born to be belles and others

are foredoomed to be wallflowers, is one of the faminine mysteries that have

Mother Eve down. But no woman has never lets a man go once she gets her life by packing around a copy of Ibsen than the orchestra seats. ever found out the answer to the riddle. clutches upon him. Some say that beauty is the magnet that draws men. But this is not invariably the case. for pretty siris are often left disconsolate, while homely girls have men flocking after them.

Money will occasionally buy a husband, but it will not buy a girl beaus if she has no other attractions than wealth.

Bocial position will not give her popularity, nor will fine clothes make her sought after, for we have all seen society girls sitting about at summer resorts solitary and alone, on trunksful of Paris clothes, while the sirl who was a mere with only a few shabby frocks, nobody. had to divide her admirers up in squads and run them on schedule time.

Now I, no more than any other woman. can give a girl any reliable recipe for winning the admiration of men. But I can tell her why it is a great many girls are not admired.

In the first place, the girl who desires. On the other hand, a girl, makes a. Many a maiden who really has ragtime to be admired by men generally fails be- blunder if she affects to disparage mascu- taste in music has driven away the man tween two stools. She is overanxious, or line society and to undervalue masculine she was trying to catch by rhapsodizing

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ing me what they can do to make them- else she is too inapproachable and coy. attentions. Romances are full of mislead- over "Parsifal." Many a woman, striv-She either runs after men too much, or ing accounts of proud and scornful ing to be bright, and amuse a man, bas No one in the world is wise enough spe- runs from them too fast, and both plans beauties who had lovers sighing at their cut her throat with her own wit, for no feet, who were as humbly grateful for man can listen to a woman make sharp

A girl should never forget that, in every kind word from the nifty lady speeches about other people without wondering if he isn't going to be the next woman the pursued. This is not always This state of affairs does not obtain in victim as soon as his back is turned. And many a girl scares a prospective keeping up the delusion and making the thinks she renders herself irrestatible by suitor away by bragging about her conman think that he is chasing her down, adopting a haughty demeanor and giving quests, and telling what a heart-smasher Nothing disgusts a man more than for a overy man who approaches her the frozen she is. No man is going to add his name woman to throw herself at his head. face makes the mistake of her life. There to the list of the Men-I-Turned Down if It gives him the feeling of being are too many fences down in other di- he can help it.

taken in and over-reached, and so, no rections for men to break their necks. Still another reason why many girls matter how much a girl desires a man's scaling turrets, after inaccessible maid- are not admired is because they are too

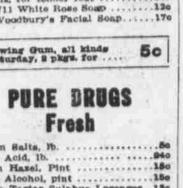
hard to please and demand too much. stealthily about seeking them. Many a Another reason that many girls are When a man shows a woman any courgirl has broken off a promising love af-fair by calling up a man over the tele-to show off. They think they make it is to appear to enjoy it. Many girls phone during business hours and by her themselves attractive by posing as forget this. If a man sends them violets learned, or cultured, or witty when in they wonder why he didn't send Ameri-A man likes to feel that he is a free reality there is nothing a man is so can ilcauties. If he sends them candy, agent in such matters, and that he can afraid of as a blue stocking except a they always prefer some other kind than come or not as he pleases, and nothing woman who is a wit. Man- a poor girl the one he bestowed. If he takes them makes a girl more unpopular than to get who never reads anything except the six to the theater, they remark on how much pussied every generation of women from the reputation of being a grabber who hest sellers has blasted her chances in more agreeable the boxes are to sit in In a word, even the best is not good

enough for them. Now a man doesn't pay a woman attention in order to win her gratitude, nor does he expect an illuminated resolution of thanks for every courtesy, but he does like to feel that his efforts to give her pleasure have been approclated, and that he gave her a good time, for nothing is more mortifying than to feel that you have failed as a host. It is not inspiring to invite a girl to have a sandwich and a glass of beer, and have her expatiate on how much the likes terrapin and champagne, or to have her dllate when you take hor out In your moderate priced car on how she adores French [[motulnes, and it is small wonder that the girls who are guilty of these factless blunders are left alone. These are a few of the reasons why some girls are not admired, and there, are thirty-seven other varieties of ros. sons, each equally cogent.

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