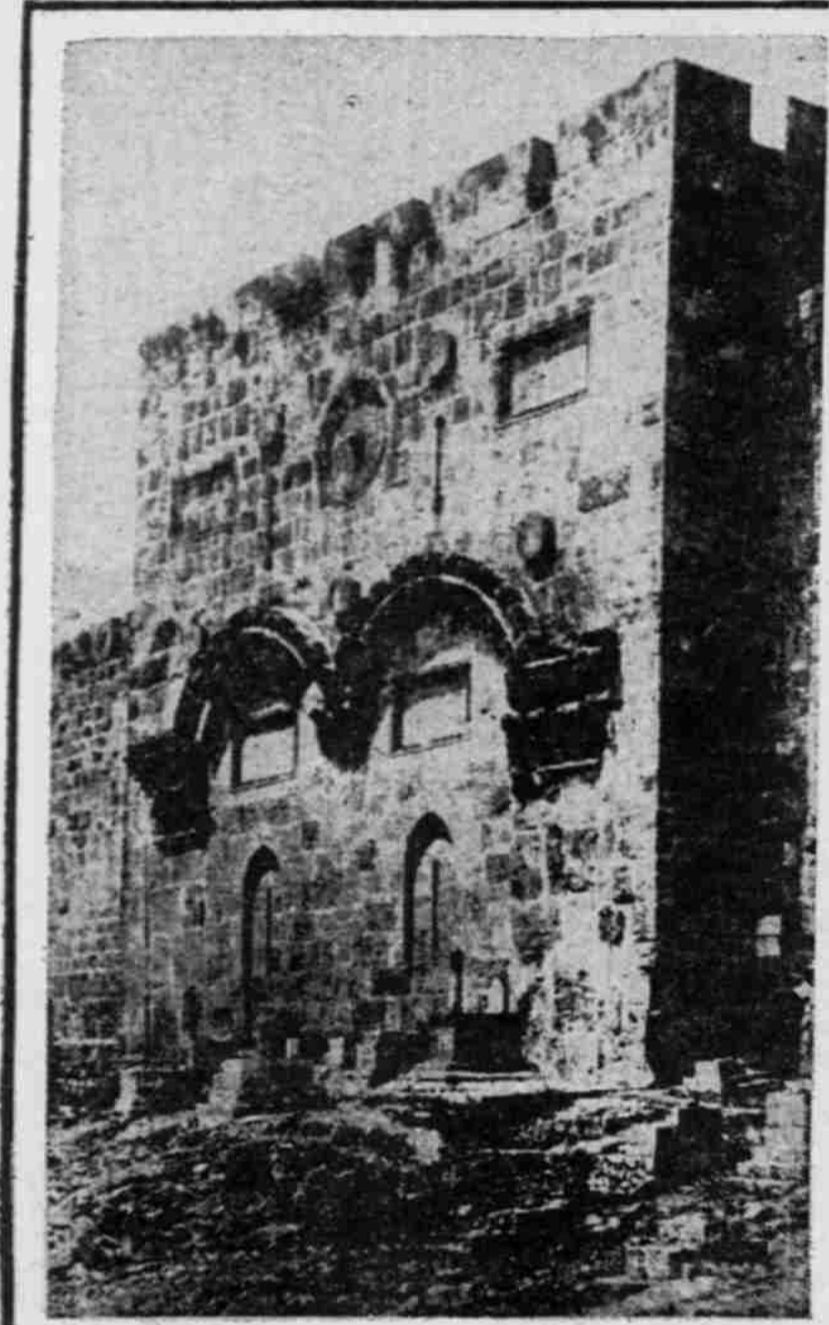


Will the Jews Rebuild the Temple of Solomon?

Here Are Interesting Facts About Actual Size of the Famous House of Worship on Site Now Occupied by the Mosque of Omar and Questions That Arise in Considering the Restoration of the Historic Structure



The Golden Gate of Jerusalem as It is Today.

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NO more will the daughters of Judah hang their harps upon the willows; and Jesus to sing the "Songs of Zion," for Jerusalem has come back to her own, or is about to be restored. It is exactly 1847 years since the Roman legions under Titus besieged and captured the Holy City, taking the treasures of the temple back to Rome. It is precisely 2032 years since the Jews, under the leadership of Judah Maccabee, drove out Antiochus Epiphanes, the Syrian tyrant, and cleansed and rededicated the temple at Jerusalem, thus instituting the Festival of Chanukkah, or "rededication," which was being celebrated at the very time when the British flag was raised over the tower of Jerusalem.

The leading statesmen of Great Britain have made specific and open promises that they will turn over Palestine to the Jews that the latter may re-establish a Jewish state, and if that word is kept—and peace alone will prove whether it is possible to keep this solemn engagement—many problems will arise for the Jews then taking part in the work of re-establishment.

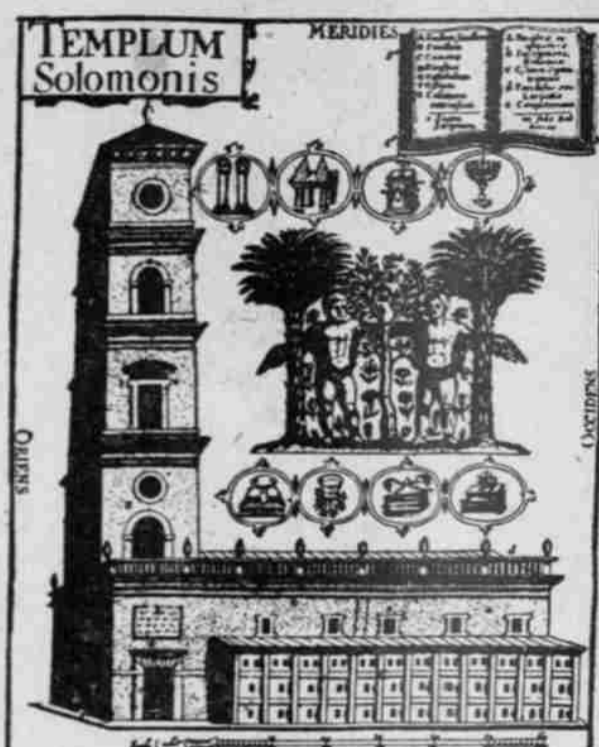
How great only one of these problems will be, namely, the rebuilding of the Temple of Solomon, is demonstrated here. Undoubtedly it will be this temple which will be rebuilt and not the Temple of Zerubbabel, which was a reconstruction, completed 70 years after the first one had been destroyed (586 B. C.), or the Temple of Herod, which was an expansion of the latter.

A Long-Cherished Dream.

Undoubtedly one of the first aims which the Jews will try to accomplish will be the rebuilding of Solomon's Temple upon the very site on which it stood. There is complete agreement by scholars that the Temple of Solomon, as described in the Books of Kings and Chronicles in the Bible, stood upon the very spot now occupied by the Mosque of Omar, or "Dome of the Rock," as it is called, because it covers an enormous rock 60 feet square, which was formerly the threshing floor of Araunah, until purchased by David as the site of the temple which his son Solomon was to build after the former's death.

Readers of the Bible will remember that David was forbidden to build this temple because "his hands were full of blood" and, therefore, all that David could do was to save up silver and gold for the building of the "holy house" and acquire the site upon which it was to stand.

This temple was built during four years, being dedicated by Solomon in the year 966 B. C. 152,000 workmen being employed upon its construction. David had made one offering of 100,000 talents of gold and 1000 talents of silver, according to Chronicles xxii, 14, and a second offering of 3000 talents of gold of Ophir and 7000 talents of silver, while the princes of Israel donated 5000 talents and 10,000 drams of gold and 10,000 talents of silver, according to Chronicles xxix, 4-7. In order that we may grasp these figures



From an Old Print Showing Restoration of Solomon's Temple



General View of the Famous Mosque of Omar Built on the Site of the Temple of Solomon. The Much Pictured "Wailing Place" of the Jews Is Part of the Original Temple Wall Below the Level of the Present Mosque on the Side Opposite That Shown in This Picture.

of every adult male Israelite to visit the temple three times a year, on the feasts of Passover, Pentecost and Tabernacles, and as there were as many as 600,000 grown men in the time of Solomon it was physically impossible for them to be received anywhere save in the spacious courts. These were a court of the priests in which stood the altar of incense, the golden lavers in which they performed their ablutions before entering the temple, and the molten sea. Here, too, was the great altar of sacrifice, on which the obla-

AUCTION BRIDGE BY ANNIE BLANCHE SHELBY.

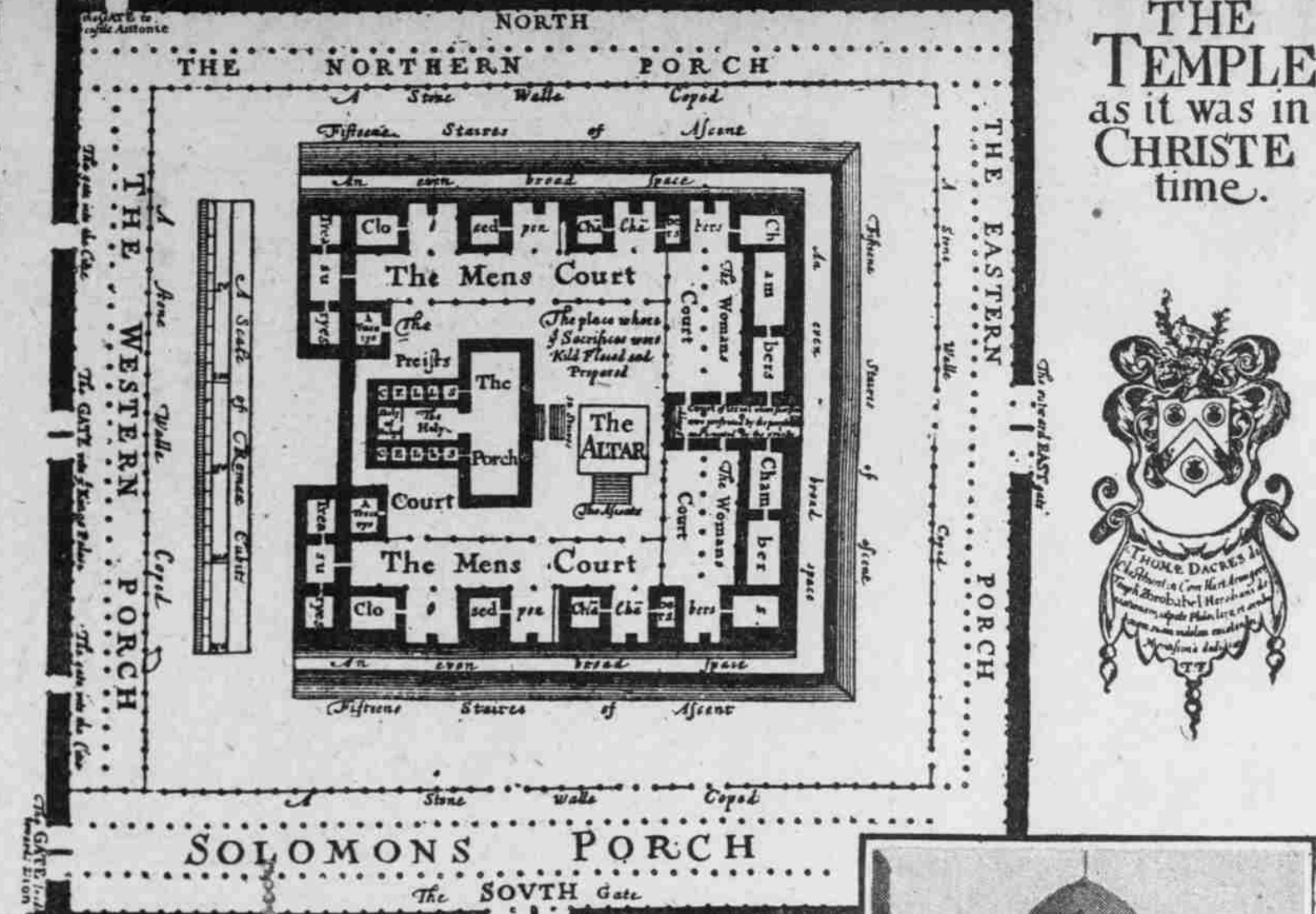
"INQUIRER" wishes to know if duplicate auction is being played much; also as to the proper management of duplicate trays. This question comes as a timely reminder, for as some weeks I have been intending to treat this particular subject.

During the past two or three years duplicate auction has gained much in favor, and among advanced players at the present time is played almost, if not quite, to the exclusion of the straight game. While it is not contended that it is as good a test of skill as duplicate whist, which is generally conceded to offer the best test of any card game ever devised, it is nevertheless an interesting form of play, and when results are afterwards compared and the hands discussed can be made productive of much benefit.

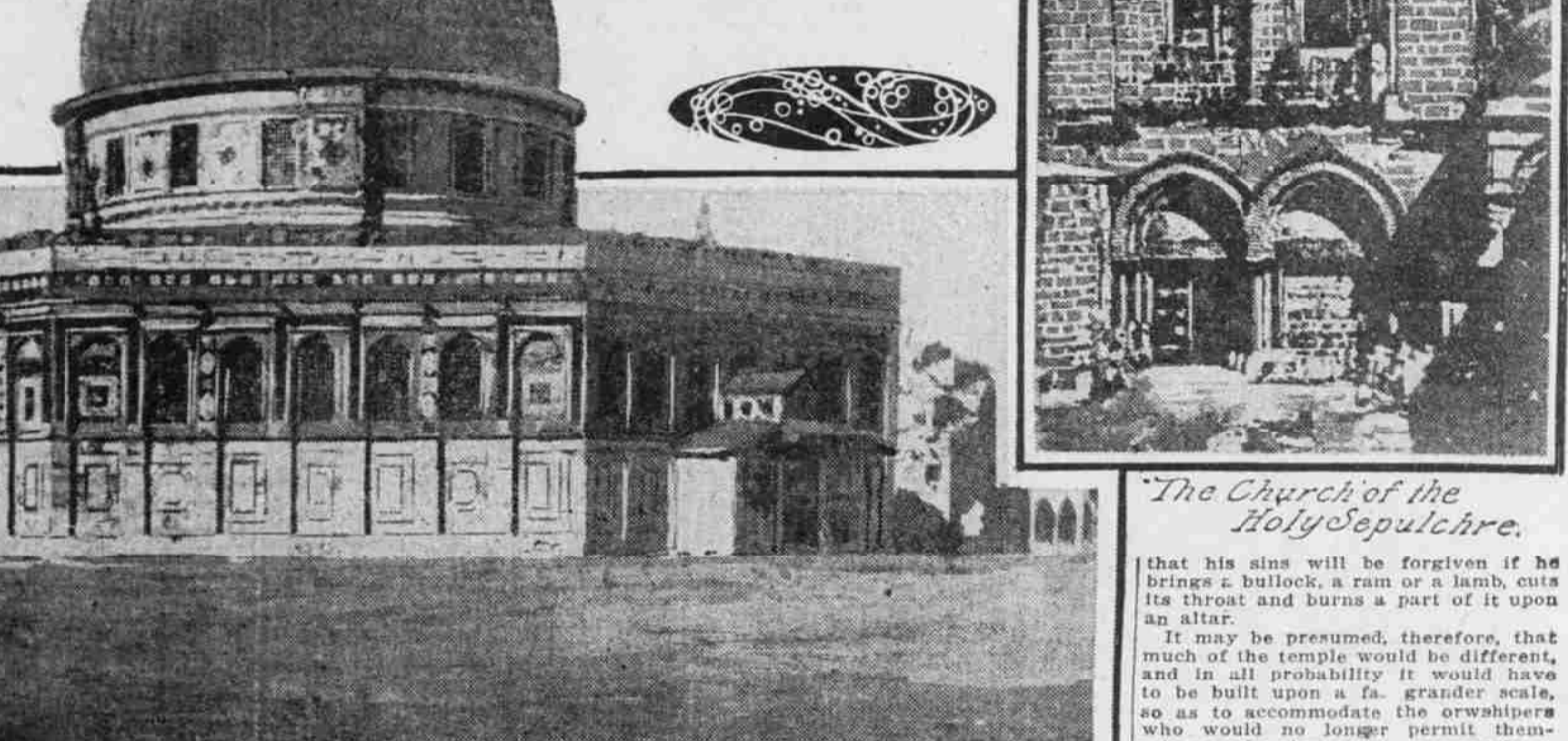
In duplicate whist the trump, hearts, clubs, diamonds or spades, as the case may be, is either settled upon beforehand, or the last card in dealing is turned and marks the trump for the particular deal. The same trump, therefore, applies in the overplay as in the original, and comparisons bear simply upon the play. In auction this is not necessarily the case, and fully as much, if not more, depends upon the declaration of the score (the two controlling elements in determining the merit of a bid) warrants, at times will turn out well because it happens to strike a happy combination in the hands of the partner, while a bid which is entirely warrantable may meet with defeat because of the lack of help from the partner.

Then, too, the question of a lead obtains in duplicate auction and materially can affect results just the same as in duplicate whist. The adversary may have two equally good leads. He makes the one lead and it turns out to the player's advantage; he makes the other and it turns out to his disadvantage. Yet this does not prove skill, or lack of skill, on the part of either player or the adversary.

It is simply the elements of luck which it is impossible to overcome and which renders even duplicate whist susceptible to certain flaws. Instances



From an Ancient Design Showing the Ground Plan of the Temple of Solomon as It Was in the Time of Christ.



The Church of the Holy Sepulchre.

tions brought by the people were burned.

There were other extensive courts, such as the "Court of the Women" and the "Court of the Gentiles," so that the temple and all of its outlying structures covered a considerable space, or it would have been impossible to accommodate the large number of priests and people who came thither from all over Palestine.

The problem of rebuilding the temple is not, however, confined to questions of labor and expenditure of money. A

very practical question will be what the builders to do with the magnificent Mosque of Omar which now covers the sacred stone, or Sakhrah, and is acknowledged to be one of the finest types of Moorish architecture in the world. Will it be removed bodily to some other site, or will it be utterly destroyed? The latter would be most deplorable, and would hardly be countenanced by lovers of the beautiful. While this building was begun by the Caliph Omar, it was later rebuilt in its present form by Caliph

Abdalmalik (684), and is a monument which should not be obliterated.

There are other important questions which will undoubtedly be raised if the temple is to be rebuilt. While the Orthodox Jews have in their ritual prayer in which they pray for the restoration of Palestine and the rebuilding of the temple, it is hardly probable that at this stage in the world's civilization the Jews would wish to return to that primitive stage of worship marked by a cult of animal sacrifices. No modern man or woman believes

is the danger that certain hands will be remembered and the game resolve itself into a test of memory rather than skill. Single table duplicate is in fact known as mnemonic or memory duplicate, and except under conditions as above stipulated, is not played among the better class of players. In auction, because of the exposed hand, it is easier to remember the hands than in whist; yet even in whist single table duplicate was entirely taboo by expert players. Just what is gained by trying to take advantage of some peculiarity of a hand that one happens to remember is, however, somewhat problematical, while it is known that there are occasional hands concerning which memory and the consequent prevention from regular play has served one a good purpose (if taking advantage of anything of the sort may, strictly speaking, be said to serve a good purpose). Cases are also known where egregious errors have resulted from the effort to recognize and take advantage of some peculiarity in a hand.

It is not permissible to arrange the hands before the play begins. An index on the tray points to the dealer, and the trays are so devised that all players have an equal number of deals.

In order that the cards of each player be kept intact, as they are to be played again, they are not, as in the ordinary game, played in the center of the table and then gathered in a packet and placed in front of the partner of the player winning the trick, but each player in turn plays his card, face upward, directly in front of him. When all four have played to the trick each player places his card, face downward, to his left. He places it lengthwise if his side has won the trick; sidewise if won by the adversaries. As each player's entire 13 cards are to be so placed some space is required and it is well to begin at one's extreme left and slightly overlap the cards. At the conclusion of the play all cards pointing upright show the number of tricks the particular side has won; those pointing in the reverse position the number of tricks lost.

filled it will consume the time of medical men in the service of the Government who should be busy with the always efficacious sanitary provisions. It will produce the federation avers, more serums like the many that now are being produced in this country as a deliberate commercial enterprise, and it will cause the illness and death of many soldiers. Further, it will cause the inhuman suffering of many animals.

The federation says also that it cannot agree with the Red Cross statement that vivisection will contribute to the solution of the problems now baffling the medical profession. Experiments, however, are being conducted which to base such expectations.

WOMEN WORK AT MINES

Clerical Positions at Susquehanna Collieries No Longer Filled by Men.

MOUNT CARMEL, Pa., Jan. 19.—Through the scarcity of laborers at the mines of the Susquehanna Collieries Company, Mrs. Cora Vandusen, of Shamokin, becomes the first woman to work in the anthracite region. Mrs. Vandusen has been working at the Colliery since the beginning of the coal strike.

At the same time Superintendent William Auman announced the appointment of seven other women and girls to clerical positions. Men formerly assigned to positions made vacant through the enlistment or drafting. Men about the mines, once adverse to women employes about the operations, have patriotically dropped their opposition.

WIVISECTION ISSUE RAISED

Opponents Protest Against Red Cross Appropriation of \$100,000.

NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—The National Anti-Vivisection Federation, of which George Arliss, the actor, is president, has made a protest to the Red Cross at Washington against the appropriation of \$100,000 for the support of vivisection.

The federation contended, in a telegram of protest, that this Red Cross fund had been contributed by the public without knowing that it would be applied for the purpose of vivisection. In justification of its stand the Red Cross Society answered the telegram with a long letter, in which it gives its reason for the appropriation.

The supreme aim of the Red Cross, the statement says, is to relieve human suffering growing out of the war. The War Council was advised from the ablest professional resource available that an appropriation for medical research would contribute toward that end. Numerous problems relating to the treatment of wounds, trench fever, infectious jaundice, nephritis and a great variety of other diseases are still to be worked out.

The solution of such problems will not only contribute toward the relief of suffering, but toward more effective prosecution of the war. The Red Cross says it is justified that its action will be justified by the great bulk of the American people.

With this the Anti-Vivisection Federation takes sharp issue. It declares that if the Red Cross' project is ful-

To Have Perfect Skin Throughout the Winter

These days the face and hands need special care and attention. Strong winds, quick changes of temperature from indoors to outdoors, are severe on the skin. Their despoiling effects are best overcome by the application of pure mercurized wax. This keeps skin and pores in a cleanly condition, and is sufficient to completely renovate a weatherbeaten complexion. It is used like cold cream, allowed to remain on over night, and washed off in the morning. As the skin tends to expand in a warm atmosphere, checks and chin to sag and wrinkles to form, a good astringent lotion should be used by the woman who keeps pretty much indoors these days. Dissolve one ounce powdered salicylic in one-half pint witch hazel. Bathe the face in this mixture before going out for theater or social affair. It is a remarkable skin tightener and wrinkle crusher.