

TOURNAMENT OF THE GUARDIAN OF THE HOLY LAND Mountain Where Elijah and Elisha Had Their Abiding Place, Worshipped for Centuries, Still a Sacred Place.

By Frederic J. Haskin. Washington, Jan. 1.—A mountain altar to the worship of the true God, hallowed by centuries upon centuries as the home of holy men, Carmel-by-the-Sea is the most remarkable and most beautiful natural feature of the coast line of Palestine.

Carmel No Longer Wooded. The excellency of Carmel, which was a synonym for all beauty in the days of the kingdom of Israel, no longer exists as it did when Solomon, king of the Jews, had the cedars destroyed and new trees have been planted.

Men Lived in Caves. Carmel has been a sacred place from the earliest times. The most ancient records of the Hittite peoples indicate that Carmel was a mountain dedicated to the worship of the gods of that time.

The monks were massacred by the Mamelukes in 1291, when the Christians were finally expelled from Palestine, but there were a few hermits who kept the faith until the fifteenth century, when the monastery was reestablished under its present constitution.

Monk Rebuilds Monastery. Early in the nineteenth century a monk named Gian Battista came on a pilgrimage to Carmel as an act of penance. He made a vow to rebuild the monastery, and the present edifice is the result of the 14 years of his travels and begging.

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SPIRITUAL SPLICE IS WHAT APPEALS TO DR. HARDING Puts Into Practice His Own Theory, Ignoring License Law and Churchly Sanction—He Preaches the Doctrine.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Oakland, Cal., Jan. 1.—Ours is not a legal marriage, I admit, but it is just as truly a spiritual marriage as though it had been performed by a vested clergyman, was the declaration today of Dr. Haymer Harding, who wedded Mrs. Ruth McDonald Christmas day without going to the trouble of taking out a license.

Dr. Harding, who is a lecturer on sociology and eugenics, said this about the "wedlock" into which he has entered. "This is not a trial marriage, nor do we believe in free love. We recognize four basic principles which must underlie all marriages which we feel have been complied with in this affair of ours.

These principles are normal health of body and mind, harmony of mind and spirit, the contracting parties must be well mated from every point of view, they must have the necessary money to support and comfort and have the earning capacity to insure it.

Harding is an Englishman, who came here from Canada. He recently founded the First Liberal church of California in Oakland, where he said he hoped to gather a congregation of liberal minded people to whom he might preach "spiritual wedlock."

He said that the performance of professional strong men in the west. Haifa is the port through which the weavers of Damascus import their cotton. Practically all of this is Egyptian cotton and comes in the large Egyptian bales of 500 pounds each.

The town is interesting because it is not so much a business as a combination of marine shipping and railway activity, because its religious energy is devoted to teaching the young and not to the exploitation of some sacred shrine, and because it shows a promise of that physical regeneration which may be possible in Palestine under the combined influence of the young Turks, the Zionists and the Christian missionaries.

On the shores of this bay, set in the protecting arm of Carmel, many cities and many civilizations have flourished. Here was a seaport of the Hittites, here was a stronghold of Canaan-overthrown by Joshua. Here was the landing place of Alexander the Great, and here was built the great Greek city of Ptolemais.

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KING JANUARY 1 GREETED ROYALLY Street Crowds Full of Different Kinds of Enthusiasm, but All Orderly.

Never did a monarch receive a more demonstrative greeting than did King January 1 last night. Amid the din of whistles and horns and all manner of ear-splitting screeches the old year tottered to its fall. Burging humanity that packed the streets and made progress almost impossible, kept up the howling welcome long after the new king had been proclaimed.

New Year's at the grills lasted until 3 o'clock in the morning. In some of them the revelry was unrestrained, but in all the spirit of fun was uppermost. Good nature was the noticeable feature of the merry making, and although there were a few close calls, allowances were made and there was no serious trouble.

Wine Glass in Evidence. Prosperity's symbol was this year the wine glass. Last year it was the beer stein. Everybody ushered in 1910 with the "osky-wow." This year it was "osky-tax." It was no place for "the lips that touch liquor shall never touch mine."

A thriving night it was, too, for the road houses. Motoring parties by the score chugged out of town to the different wayside inns, where the cellar stores of champagne were sadly depleted. One of the well known caterers of the city said today that 2000 gallons of the "bubble water" must have been sold in the city alone.

The crowd on the streets was orderly and well behaved, said Chief of Police Cox. "I had all the men out from early in the evening until the last merry-maker went home. No orders relative to the use of firearms were splendidly obeyed. Only one arrest was made for this offense. No conflicts were thrown, and the objectionable 'tickler' was practically absent. With Captain Bailey I went from beat to beat and through the crowds last night and remained up with the men until 3 o'clock this morning. I am well satisfied with the way my men handled the crowd, and with the way people behaved."

The patrolmen were placed in the downtown district, and only enough left outside to guard the residence part of town. To some of the most noisy cafes and buffet plain clothes men had been assigned, and checked anything that approached disorder. Four fire alarms were answered. One at 309 Union avenue was caused by an overheated stove, another at 3091 Thurman street was caused by a fire in a boiler, and another at 750 North Eighth street by a match. No great loss was reported in either case. The fourth call was Grand avenue and Morrison street, where rubbish was on fire.

Terrific Gale Drives the McDonald, From Everett, With 800,000 Feet of Lumber. (United Press Leased Wire.) San Diego, Cal., Jan. 1.—White endeavoring to enter the harbor in the thick of last night's storm, the three masted schooner McDonald, having as her cargo 800,000 feet of lumber for the Russ Lumber company of this city, was driven on the shoals off Point Loma by a terrific southeast gale, and at noon today was still aground.

The revenue cutter Bear, the government tug Lieutenant Harris, and the Spreckels tug Bahava, were making every effort today to save the schooner and the rescuers hope to have her off before night without damage. The McDonald sailed from Everett, Wash., for this port. She sent up rockets of distress when driven from the channel upon the shoal. Captain Pierson is in charge of the McDonald.

Baby Eats Parlor Matches and Dies. (United Press Leased Wire.) Oakland, Cal., Jan. 1.—Frances Bishop, the 2-year-old daughter of Norman Bishop, a Sacramento railroad machinist, died early today as the result of eating the heads of a number of parlor matches at the home of her grandfather, P. S. Ballard, in this city yesterday.

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ABSINTHE FIEND'S TERRIBLE DEEDS HAVE NO PARALLEL Craving for Drug Causes Keeper of Incurable Ward of Insane Asylum to Strangle Patients to Get Money.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Paris, Jan. 1.—Leon Thabuis, an absinthe fiend, who, as keeper of a ward in an insane asylum, strangled dozens of patients to get money to satisfy his thirst for the drink, certainly has brought to the gulf. Poe, in his most somber moments, could not have dreamed of crimes more hideous than those perpetrated by the monster Thabuis.

Thabuis was the keeper of an incurable ward. For weeks before the discovery of his crimes it was noted by the asylum authorities that his patients trembled in fear every time he approached them. Later his visits to the ward created a veritable panic among the gibbering folk.

The crime that resulted in the discovery of his other atrocities was the brutal murder of an old man, who was a hopeless idiot. He was found to have been strangled to death. Thabuis said it was an accident, that the old man had attacked him and that he had found it necessary to kill him to defend himself.

An investigation followed. It was found that there had been a death in Thabuis' ward every other day for 12 days. The bodies of six patients exhumed showed they had been strangled. Further investigations showed many more such cases.

Rules of the asylum allowed one franc to the keeper of a ward for the extra work entailed by the death of one of his charges. Thabuis, to buy his absinthe, had engaged in a carnival of strangulations, and with the money he had gained he bought absinthe, taking tipping and grinning at the pictures the poison made.

William F. Matlock of Pendleton, well known throughout the state as one of the prominent and wealthy residents of that city, died at his home in Pendleton and state senator, was brought to the St. Vincent's hospital last night suffering with rheumatic complications resulting from a long siege of typhoid fever.

Several months ago Mr. Matlock started for Canada to look after his property interests there, and on the trip was taken ill with typhoid fever. He returned to his home and for the past two months or more has been in the hospital at Pendleton.

The fever was broken, but rheumatism, which had affected him long developed, and he is in a very serious condition. It was decided, finally, to take the sufferer to Paso Robles, California, by easy stages, in hopes that the treatment there would benefit him. He was brought to Canada yesterday, accompanied by Dr. C. J. Smith, his physician, and Mrs. Matlock. He was taken at once to St. Vincent's hospital upon his arrival here and is reported as resting well today, apparently having suffered no ill effects from the long journey by rail.

After the rest of a couple of weeks here Mr. Matlock and Mrs. Matlock will start for California, where it is expected that the invalid will speedily recover. Mr. Matlock has never been sick before in his life, and is noted for his rugged physique. He has long been a prominent figure in the political and business life of eastern Oregon and the state.

Drunkenness Cause for Most of Arrests During Past Year. Portland was a better town during the year just ended than in 1909, the records of the police office headquarters are taken as comparisons. The percentage of increase in the number of arrests made is only about 2 1/2 per cent while the growth in the population of the city has been four times the percentage.

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"HANDS UP," ROBBER "YOU BET," GROCER Then Man With Revolver Gently Relieves Victim of \$3 in His Store.

Two masked men entered the Hawthorne avenue grocery last evening at 9:15 o'clock and stole \$3. The men held guns to the proprietor's head, forcing him to turn the lights out. One robber searched the cash drawer, while the other held the grocer in the corner. One man carried a club.

The home of W. W. Woodworth, 872 Alsworth avenue, was entered last evening and \$20 taken from a drawer. Edward Turner, 617 Tenino street, also was visited by burglars. Tools valued at \$25 were stolen from H. E. Wadsworth, blacksmith at St. Johns.

Miss J. N. Smith, living at the Norton, Twelfth and Washington streets, reports the loss of a mink muff and necktie. They were taken Monday night from her room and are valued at \$150.

The warrant for Hinesdale's arrest was sworn to yesterday afternoon by Walter H. Evans, assistant United States district attorney, and it will be turned over to Marshal Reed tomorrow for service. The penalty prescribed in such cases is a maximum fine of \$500 or one year's imprisonment, or both.

Besides being interested in the store, Hinesdale is part owner of the steamer Ewa, carrying passengers and freight on the Umpqua river. It is asserted that in shipping heavy explosives, such as dynamite and nitroglycerine, Hinesdale invariably labeled it brass, butter, bacon, dried fruit, molasses or anything that he thought would attract attention. The purpose of this was to prevent the United States inspectors, Edwards and Fuller, from interfering with the traffic enjoyed by the craft.

Postal Receipts Show Big Increase for Last Year and Month. Postoffice receipts for the year just past and for the month of December, 1909, show an amazing increase over the receipts of 1908, and of December of that year. The receipts, as compiled by Postmaster John C. Young today, were:

Awards in Corn Contest Held Up. (Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Pullman, Wash., Jan. 1.—The claim that Whitman county won the grand sweepstakes prize in the corn growing contest inaugurated by the Oregon Railroad & Navigation company and Washington State college last spring is disputed and the wards are being held up. Two Walla Walla contestants and one from Columbia county claim greater yields than 83 bushels, the yield of Warren Love of Garfield. Whitman county, which won the prize.

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OUT TO CELEBRATE BUT NOW IN JAIL Alleged Forger Nabbed by Detectives When He Left Hiding Place Last Night.

White merrymakers thronged the downtown streets last evening. A. J. Cavala, a professional check forger who is wanted in all the coast states, ventured from his three-day hiding place and was arrested. The local detectives have been looking for him for three weeks. He was arrested by Hollyer and Maloney.

Bogus checks approximating \$2000 have been passed in Portland and Mount Vernon, Wash., where Cavala worked his game previous to coming to this city. He has acknowledged the greater part of the checks, and wants to make restitution.

Cavala has been rooming at First and Clay in a cheap lodging-house, and has not made an appearance on the street in the daytime. The detective department knew he was in town, but could not locate him, as he moved three times in one week, and settled in the cheap quarters of the city. He is well dressed, has plenty of money and the appearance of a prosperous business man.

In Cavala's trunk the detectives found a fictitious letter of introduction in which he was represented to be the nephew of Judge Cabanas at San Francisco. He had taken the name of Cabany.

The complaint upon which the warrant was issued was signed by Emil Springer, saloonkeeper at Sixth and Couch streets. The amount forged was \$125. Cavala's usual custom was to become acquainted with a cigar dealer, saloonkeeper or druggist, and buy a small bill of goods and have them cash the bogus check.

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DRUG TRAFFIC IS TRACED TO CLERK Alfred Elmer Admits Smuggling Morphine and Opium Into Portland for Chinese.

Underground smuggling of morphine and opium into Portland has been covered by the police. It is through clerk Alfred Elmer, employed in a drug store at 469 Main street, Vancouver, Wash., that the drug was slipped into the city. He was arrested yesterday afternoon, and has admitted the truth of the charges made against him.

Large quantities of opium and morphine have lately made their appearance in the resorts of the city. The amount has been rapidly growing in the last few months. Many persons have been found to possess the drugs. A refusal to tell from where it came. Especially among the Chinese is opium traffic being noticed. It is not certain that much of the drug used there was gotten by the drug clerk.

Elmer was arrested by Detective Tichenor and Howell while trying to dispose of a quantity of toilet articles. Elmer's employer has missed perfume and drug store novelties. Morphine and opium were found in the man's pockets.

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