

LAND OF GOLD

ABYSSINIA THE CRADLE OF EGYPTIAN CIVILIZATION.

Customs and Habits of the People Who Opposed to King Humbert's Army.

The war between King Humbert of Italy and King Menelek of Abyssinia, in time, prove a political shibboleth in spite of the fact that diplomats are too busy with other matters to give it the attention it deserves.

The country has a glorious past, and is rich in song and folklore. In the latter part of the land is called Kush or the latter term meaning seven, the people were star-worshippers.

The middle ages the King of Abyssinia was appealed to by the Patriarchs of Constantinople to make war with the Jewish kingdom of Jemen, and the Abyssinians crossed the Red Sea.

The people of Abyssinia are of a mixed color, stout and warlike. They are regarded as the missing link between the negro and the Caucasian.

The King of Abyssinia boasts of the royal seal of King Solomon, which he seals his decrees. The King, although he has a fine capital, always on the move, holding his court and executing justice while traveling from place to place.

There are two peculiar tribes of Jews in the mountain regions who are called Palashes, which are people from Palestine.

England and Abyssinia. It happened that the English Society for the Conversion of the Jews sent some missionaries under the lead of Dr. Stern to convert those Jews.

The King summoned the missionaries and asked them what they were doing in his land. They appealed to him as a Christian king to allow them to convert the Jews to their faith, which they said was also the faith of the King.

When Theodore died England established his son John as Negus. The country was then ruled by John, and the Kingdom of Shoa was governed by the rival Negus, Menelik.

The Italians will never be able to penetrate the interior. Their colony on the coast of Massowia is a failure from the beginning.

RETURNED WITH THE BARK.

It Took Bill Bassett Several Years to do His Wife's Errand.

"Speaking of eccentric characters," said Representative Anderson, of Tennessee, "the most eccentric character I ever heard of was Bill Bassett, a mountaineer who lived several years ago down in my district."

Bill lived with his wife and two small children—a boy and a girl—in a cabin in one of the mountain coves of Green County. His domestic relations, while not what might be called strained, were not marked with any degree of felicity.

The boy grew up and was married, and the girl was engaged to a neighbor boy. The wedding was to occur the next day. The old mother had her baker in full blast, and needed some bark to make coals.

"Bill had gone off mad and foolishly sworn that he would not return until he had made \$2,000. He had drifted over several States, and finally settled down in the lumber business in Arkansas, where he had at last reached the limit of his oath and returned."

SUPERSTITIONS OF TODAY.

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It was a cosmopolitan little company of decidedly modern quality, sufficiently skeptical about many things that most good persons believe, but a majority of its members carried charms to bring good luck.

The cereal beads brought home from Europe as presents to children are really designed to keep off evil spirits. The branches of the coral are supposed, like the horns of a horseshoe, to ward off ill luck.

The old superstition that a hand about the arm gives strength is still prevalent among some New Yorkers. Rings made of several metals and designed to keep off rheumatism are sold by many New York jewelers.

A Light in His Pocket.

A number of electric lamps of various sizes and shapes have been patented and are constructed by an electrical engineer in Vienna. These lamps come in the shape of bottles, clocks, opera glasses, in fact any desired shape, but are all constructed after the same principle.

The neck of this bottle contains a small battery, in which three pairs of platinum and zinc elements of the smallest possible size are concealed. This battery has a six-volt tension and furnishes a current of from four to five amperes intensity.

A Dog Shopkeeper.

August Abert, a baker doing business in New Orleans, La., owns an intelligent dog, Filine, that keeps his master's shop for him. Abert has a little bake-room behind the shop, and as he always gives his personal attention to the oven, Filine proves invaluable in waiting on the customers.

Salt for a Fresh Young State.

There was a severe rainstorm blowing directly east from Salt Lake the night of January 2. After the storm it was discovered that everything for miles directly east of Ogden, Utah, was thickly covered with what was supposed to be ice, but afterwards thought to be an alkali.

Death Caused By a Comedy.

Grimaldi has been eclipsed by a comedian in one of the vaudeville shows at Chicago, Ill., who so excited the "risibles" of one of his auditors that the man actually laughed himself to death.

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St. Paul, the capital of Minnesota, is worth \$124,408,205, and owes \$8,442,100.

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Advertisement for PARAGON VAL. CO. 15 Vandewater St., New York, featuring a logo and text about their products.

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Advertisement for OPIUM and WHISKY, featuring a logo and text about the products.

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