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QUAINT MIXTURE OF LUXURY AND SQUALOR TAKES PLACE OF ANCIENT BARBARIC LUXURY

A traveller who has spent many years in the east says the ancient, barbaric magnificence of the east is fast disappearing, and being replaced by modern improvements. Many eastern rulers have been at college in the Occident, and when they return to their homes, modern innovations return with them to replace the primitive things and customs of centuries.

Perhaps the one thing that impresses the observer when he enters an Eastern palace is the quaint mixture of luxury and squalor that often prevails. A writer says: I have been in a palace where the rooms were filled with priceless furniture and magnificent Persian carpets that would have fetched a fortune, but the windows were broken and mated with dirt, holes appeared in the walls and ceilings, and the cheap and gaudy prints might possibly have fetched half a crown at auction."

I remember being entertained by the chief of a State along the northern frontier of India, who claims descent from Alexander the Great and rules over a people whose customs have scarcely changed in the past two thousand years.

The walls of the reception-room were hung with portraits of kings and princes, some of which were upside down.

The average day of the Eastern chief opens early in the morning, just after sunrise, when, if he be a Moslem, he performs the first of the five daily prayers incumbent on all true believers. If a Hindu, he will do his "puja," or worship, to the gods, and consult the omens with his astrologers. For nothing may be attempted nor any important work undertaken unless time and the



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tic adventures recently attracted so much attention in Europe and the Orient.

She was a dancing girl of an origin common to the East, the dancing girls being recruited from various castes, some among them belonging to respectable families. They are often of singular beauty and attraction, and soon fall under the notice of the agents and go-betweens who are on the look-out for suitable candidates for the harem of their master.

Once inside the harem she becomes to all intents and purposes a prisoner for all time, but if the fame of her charms and accomplishments gets abroad she may be the objective of kidnappers and the prey of rival agents.

SURROUNDED BY TREACHERY

Her quarters will be well furnished, she is provided with everything that infatuation can devise, but she lives in an atmosphere of treachery and deceit, and must play her cards well to retain the affection of her lord. There is ever the risk of a newcomer who may outshine her, while among Eastern and Central Asian potentates the New Year's offerings in the shape of beautiful girls are all potential rivals.

The shadow of divorce hangs over the wives and concubines; they are never safe in the affection of their husbands, and may at any moment be cast adrift.

When the present Nizam of Hyderabad, the premier ruling chief of India, succeeded to the throne, he proposed to dispense with the three hundred ladies of his father's harem, as he had his own contingent to support, but they assumed a fighting attitude, and stormed the palace in a body, with the result that the chief gave in and they were suitably provided for.

Shah Nasr-ed-Din of Persia, however, eclipsed even this, for he kept fifteen hundred women, but then he did his recruiting on a vast scale, and would often line up the population of a village or town, make his selection, and then despatch the girls to Teheran, where they went through a regular course in etiquette and deportment.

One of the most popular forms of recreation among the women is the "hamman," or bath. This is really a ladies' club, where they exchange the gossip of the day, plots are hatched, and scandal freely indulged in.

DIAGNOSIS NOT EASY

Should they fall ill a native doctor will attend them, but the rules governing the seclusion of women render the doctor's diagnosis no easy task, and one that must necessarily be open to considerable doubt.

A small ivory or metal figure of a woman is passed through a curtain.

The lady then hands the figure back indicating the spot where she feels the pain, and the physician diagnoses accordingly, a delightfully simple procedure provided the prescription is correct.

A native doctor of my acquaintance, who had original ideas on the subject of prescriptions, was engaged by a certain chief for a favorite of his household, at a fee of five hundred rupees per day, and ordered powdered emeralds, which the patient took!

The dwellers in a harem never know what is in store for them when they are on the sick list!

LAND ACT.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY TO LEASE LAND

In Prince Rupert Land Recording District of Prince Rupert, and situated at Nootka Inlet, Queen Charlotte Islands.

TAKE NOTICE that John Dybhavn, of Prince Rupert, B.C., occupation manager, intends to apply for a lease of the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted on the south side of Nootka Inlet, about one mile from its head; thence west 6 chains; thence west 16 chains; thence north 6 chains to shore; thence east 16 chains, more or less, following the shore line to point of commencement, and containing 7 acres, more or less.

JOHN DYBHAVN,
Applicant.

Dated November 23, 1928.

PULP TIMBER SALE X8440.

Sealed Tenders marked, "Tender on X8440," will be received by the Honourable the Minister of Lands, at Victoria, B.C., up to twelve o'clock noon on the 4th day of January, 1929, for the purchase of Pulp Licences X8440 to X8445, situated on Graham Island, Queen Charlotte Islands District. Thirty years will be allowed for the removal of the timber.

All tenders must comply with Section 19 of the "Forest Act."

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Further particulars may be had from the Chief Forester, Victoria, B.C.

TIMBER SALE X4302

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Two years will be allowed for removal of timber.

Further particulars of the Chief Forester, Victoria, B.C., or District Forester, Prince Rupert, B.C.

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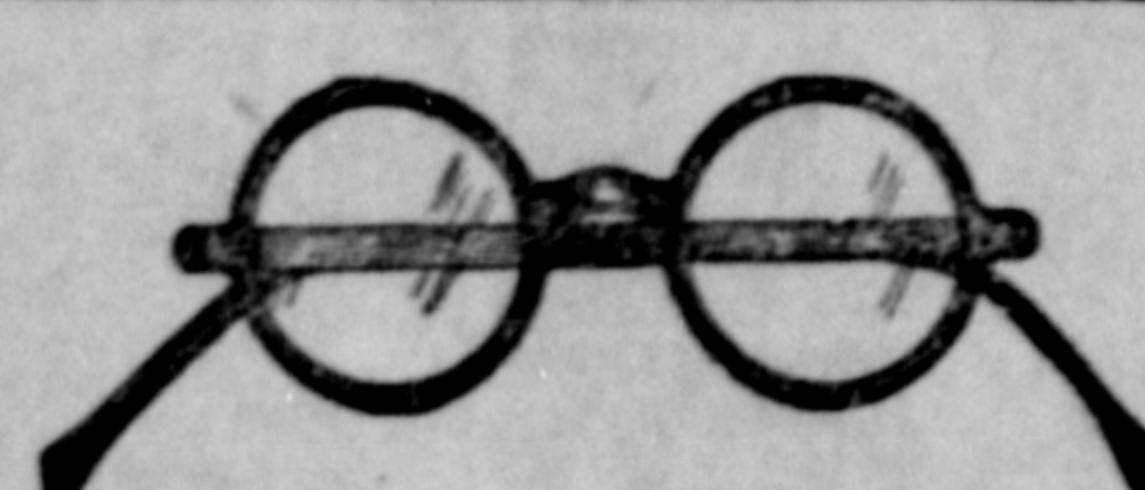
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A COOL ONE

A guest hurried up to the hotel clerk's counter. He had just ten minutes to pay his bill, reach the station and board his train.

"Hang it," he exclaimed. "I've forgotten something. Here, boy, run up to my room—No. 427—and see if I left my pyjamas and shaving kit. Hurry! I've only five minutes now."

The boy hurried. In four minutes he returned empty handed and out of breath.

"Yes, sir," he panted, "You left 'em."

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