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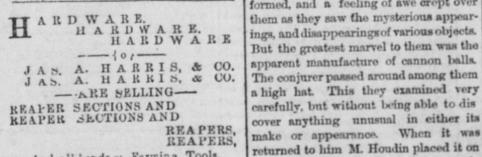
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It is commonly said that there are no Theosophy, falsely so called, is a mixture of American sentimental theo- bugs in Arabia, the dry heat killing logy with quantities of Spiritualism and them all off; and certainly all the savage superstition, bedizened with names given for the creature in Arabic outlandish Oriental names. The pat- dictionaries are either taken from the entees of this precious compound carry Turkish or manufactured. Considering it to the Indian market, where they prose about the Vedas and the primitive Bagdad, and what myriads of this partic-Aryan monotheism, as if they knew anything about the Vedas, and as if the it, if only from Bombay, in the boxco of primitive Aryan's creeds were a jot travellers and pilgrims, what becomes more refined than those of the primi- of them all is a problem in natural histive Esquaimau. Young Baboos, with tory, anything like extreme heat, even the delusions of their race not purged supposing that to have the effect away, are caught, perhaps by Europeans alleged, occurring only between June and Americans who believe, or affect to and September. Anyhow, it was a combelieve, in the magical powers of Yogis fort to feel safe on that score at least in and Bogies. Theosophy is a mere mix- turning in for the night in a billet ture of the faith in Kitty King with which, if there had been a member of smatterings of Oriental studies misun- the family in all Bagdad, looked as if it For the last year I have been practically derstood and misapplied. The doc- would have been sure to hold him. But trine is conveyed in language of incoher- morning brought the discovery that if entabsurdity. "This supernaturalism" the bug was absent he was represented (that of people who disagree with Col. by a sand-fly with a body hardly bigger Olcott) " is the curse of all creeds; it than a mite's, a pair of wings like tiny sails hangs like an incubus" (we should like and a poison-injecting and blood-suckto see the Colonel's idea of an incubus) ing aparatus of extraordinary calling. "around the neck of the religious, and Like Dr. Syntau, when the boiling hatches the satire of the skeptic; it is water from Dolly's kettle had decanted the dry rot that eats out the heart of itself into his shoes : "The scalding torment in his feet" soon made the half ernaturalism which is a dry rot that can dressed victim fain to pull off his socks be built upon, which eats out hearts, and rub until the skin was raw, in hopes of getting out the venom.

Some even ascribe to this cause the agency indeed, and worthy of the singular ulceration of the skin to which natives of Bagdad, especially in childhood, are liable, and which seldom fails to attack European and other strangers

HOW A TREATY WAS MADE. during their first year of residence. During the French conquest of Algeria Either from the season when these sores negotiations for peace were entered upon generally break out, being that when the with the sheiks of certain Arab tribes, date is nearly ripe, or from the scar left

and a meeting for the the settlement of by them resembling that fruit in size terms was arranged to take place at the and contour, they are quite commonly

vielded to nothing but Thomas' Eclectric officers received their guests of the The number of people in Bagdad desert with great hospitality, and a ban- whose faces are more or less disfigured quet was given in their honor. At this in this way frightens most all newthe utmost splendor was unfolded in comers. Hitherto the result of medical order to dazzle their eyes and captivate surgical practice has gone to show that their simple minds. At its conclusion on whatever constitutional, climatic or an adjournment to a large hall was pro- external cause or causes depending, the posed, Here M. Houdin, the celebrated affection, like so many others, is best left conjurer, who accompanied the French alone. In the healthy it runs its course forces, was to give them an exhibition of in about a year, sometimes only one his skill, which to them seemed super- sore appearing, but oftener a succession natural. They stared in openmouthed of them. They are not in the least painwonder at all the tricks that were per- ful or dangerous and, except when on formed, and a feeling of awe crept over very tender spots or parts which are them as they saw the mysterious appear- essential to locomotion, the natives of ings, and disappearings of various objects. Bagdad appear not to mind or be much But the greatest marvel to them was the annoyed by them-one instance more of apparent manufacture of cannon balls. the cel growing used to the skinning.

## THE PENITENTES.

a high hat. This they examined very carefully, but without being able to dis This society, until it is crushed out, cover anything unusual in either its will remain an effectual barrier to the make or appearance. When it was progress of morality and good order in returned to him M. Houdin placed it on New Mexico. It was founded at Santa Cruz in 1693 by the old Franciscan the floor in the middle of the stage in full view of his audience. He then promissionaries. It was originally intended ceeded to take from that hat cannon as a means of bringing the whole popuballs apparently without number, and lation within the pale of the church, rolled them across the floor into the and its principal dogma was that no sin could be so great but that sufficient wings. This terminated the preformance. The chiefs consulted among them- expiation would purge it away. There selves, and came to the conclusion are 20,000 penitents, and as they are that it was useless to oppose an army mutually sworn to assist and protect one that could turn out its ammunition in so another, even to the extent of perjury, easy a manner. They therefore signed it will readily be seen what a formidable the required treaty, and departed to tell hydra the New Mexican Judges have to their friends in the desert of the wonder- deal with. It is only the powerful influence of their priests that keeps them ful power of the invaders. at all within bounds. The public services of expiation are held once a year, in HE WASN'T DEAD. Holy Week. There is never any lack of A good story of Judge Bond of the expiants. An image of the Virgin is United States District Court is told by placed in the centre of the church, or in one of his Western friends. It occurred the campo santo before it, and the in Boston in 1877. The two went to ground for many yards in front of it is call on a medium. They were shown strewn knee deep with cactus, whose many wonders, and at last the judge was poisonous spines will sometimes pierce told to write a list of names on a slip of the heaviest soled shoe. Through this paper, which being done he was in- bed of living thorns the penitents march structed to run his finger down the with naked feet or crawl along on bare list and stop when the accustomed rap knees, calling pitcously the while to the on the table was heard. When he got Virgin for forgiveness of their sins. As to the middle of the lists violent blow if this were not sufficient, they scourge was struck upon the table. Thereupon themselves with great bunches of a long conversation ensued between cactus tied together on a thong, and the judge and the materialized spirit, slash themselves with knives. The in which was rehearsed rany astonish- natural result of these horrible exercises ing facts, most of which the judge had is a death now and then, and many ingeniously managed to drop in the maimed and pitiable creatures who opening of the conversation with the drag out a miserable existence for the medium. Finally the exhibitor suspects remainder of their days. In one of the something and the "spirit" abruptly little chapels we visited the whitewashed walls were splashed with blood departed. Then the judge fell into a brown study to the height of six or eight feet. Mgr. from which it was difficult to arouse Lamy, the present enlightened Archhim. Suddenly looking up, he said, bishop of New Mexico, has made strenuwith the most admirably assumed tone ous efforts to abolish this evil, but so of astonishment and conviction : "This strongly is it intrenched in the customs is the most remarkable thing I ever of the people that he has met with but dreamed of. I almost doubt the power little success in his efforts. of Omnipotence to equal it." "Ah," ---said the medium, "I can show you A THUNDERSTORM THEORY. greater things than that." Further conversation ensued in a similar strain, At a recent Germany Scientific Conwhen Judge Bond burst out with : "But gress, Dr. S. Hoppe, of Hamburg, I tell you, sir, I challenge the Almighty endeavors to prove that the electricity to do such a thing. Why, sir, can you of storms is generated by the friction of DOUBLE CAPPED CORRUGATED believe it? I left this gentleman not vapor particles. This view was strengthtwenty minutes ago on the steps of the ened by experiments in which com-Parker House !" At this the medium pressed cold air was allowed to rush became naturally furious, and exclaimed: into a copper vessel containing warm "I told you to write the names of the moist air, a large amount of electricity dead men on that list." "No," replied being thus produced. He concludes Judge Bond, with a look of child-like that the rise of a column of warm moist simplicity, "you did not; you told me air into the colder atmosphere above to write the names of friends, and I did will be followed by a thunderstorm if it ST. ELMO HOTEL, so. There isn't the name of a single acquires sufficient velocity to prevent No. 317 & 319 Arch Street, Philadelphie. dead man on that list." It is needless neutralization of the electricity gener-to add that the judge and his friend de-parted without ceremony. 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