SUNDAY, JULY 24, 1887. The Baptism of Jesus. LESSON TEXT.

(Matt. 3: 13-17. Memory verses: 13-17,)

LESSON PLAN. TOPIC OF THE QUARTER: Jesus the King in Zion. GOLDEN TEXT FOR THE QUARTER: Yet have I set my king upon my holy hill

of Zion. - Psa. 2:6. LESSON TOPIC: The King Splendid. ly Inaugurated.

Lesson Outline: {1. The King's Purpose, vs. 13, 15. 2. The Herald's Compliance, vs. 14, 15. 3. The Father's Endorsement, vs. 16, 17. GOLDEN TEXT: This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. - Matt.

DAILY HOME READINGS:

M.-Matt. 3:13-17. The King inaugurated. T.-Mark 1:9-11. Mark's testi-

W.-Luke 3: 21-23. Luke's testimony.

T.—John 1: 19-34. John's testimony. F.—Matt. 28:16-20. Perpetuity of baptism.

S .- Rom. 6:1-13. Obligation of baptism. S.-Rom. 8:1-17. Life with the King.

LESSON ANALYSIS.

I. THE KING'S PURPOSE. 1. Clearly Defined:

Then cometh Jesus to be baptised (13). Wist ye not that I must be in my Luke 3:22). Father's house? (Luke 2: 49.) When I am in the world, I am the light of the world (John 9:5).

To this end am I come into the world (John 18: 37). Jesus, knowing that all things are now finished (John 19:28).

II. Determinedly Pursued: Then cometh Jesus from Galilee to the Jordan unto John (13).

Jesus came from Nazareth and was baptised (Mark 1:9). He steadfastly set his face to go to Jerusalem (Luke 9:51).

I must go on my way to-day and tomorrow (Luke 13: 33). Jesus endured the cross, despising shame (Heb. 12:2).

III. Conscientiously Accomplished: Thus it becometh us to fulfil all righteousness (15).

My meat is to do the will of him that sent me (John 4:34). We must work the works of him that sent me (John 9:4),

thou hast given me (John 17:4). appointed him (Heb. 3:2).

pose of Jesus; (3) An act of Jesus.

filled (1) By the Son of God; (2) becoming fidelity .- What becometh us: (1) To fulfill all righteousness; (2) To follow our Lord.

II. THE HERALD'S CCMPLIANCE. f. Hesitation :

John would have hindered him (14). Be it far from thee, Lord: this shall never be unto thee (Matt. 16:22). They worshipped him: but some doubted (Matt. 28:17) If thou art the Christ, tell us plainly

John 10:24). Peter was much perplexed what the vision....might mean (Acts 10:17). II. Instruction:

Jesus....said unto him, Suffer it now The Holy Spirit shall teach you .. what ye ought to say (Luke 12:11).

Whatsoever he saith unto you, do it (John 2:5) It shall be told thee what thou must do (Acts 9:6).

30 with them, nothing doubting : for I have sent them (Acts 10:20). III. Compliance:

Then he suffereth him (15). They straightway left the nets and followed him (Matt. 4:20).

He arose, and followed him (Matt. 9: We have left all and followed thee (Matt.

19:27). They then that received his word were baptized (Acts 2:41).

1, "I have need to be baptized of (1) Just depreciation of thee," self; (2) Just appreciation of Jesus. -(1) An honored ordinance; (2) A worthy administrator.

2. "Comest thou to me?" (1) The greater to the less; (2) The better to the worse; (3) The king to the courtier; (4) The Saviour to the

3. "Then he suffereth him." (1) Obedient to Jesus; (2) Regardless of self.

III. THE FATHER'S ENDORSEMENT.

1. The Baptism : Jesus, when he was baptized, went ap....from the water (16). Jesus came ... and was baptized of

John in the Jordan (Mark 1:9). 3:21) We were buried ... with him through

baptism (Rom 6: 4). Having been buried with him in baptism (Col. 2:12).

IL The Dove : He saw the Spirit of God descending as a dove (16).

He saw....the Spirit as a dove descending upon him (Mark 1:10). The Holy Ghost descended in a bodily form, as a dove (Luke 3:22). I have beheld the Spirit descending as a dove (John 1: 32).

I have seen, and have borne witness (John 1:34). III. The Voice.

Lo, a voice....saying, This is my beloved Son (17). Behold; a voice out of the cloud (Matt.

And a voice came out of the heavens

Son (Luke 3:22). There came therefore a voice out of

(2) The inlook from below; (3) The outlook from above.—(1) A view through the heavens; (2) A view into the heavens; (3) Aview from the heavens; (4) Aview from the heavens; (5) Aview from the heavens; (6) Aview from the heavens; (7) Aview from the heavens; (8) Aview from the heavens; (9) Aview from the heavens; (10) Aview from the heavens; (11) Aview from the heavens; (12) Aview from the heavens; (13) Aview from the heavens; (14) Aview from the heavens; (15) A the heavens.

2. "He saw the Spirit of God descendstrating his Messiahship. 3. "This is my beloved Son. (1) The

Father's avowal; (2) The Son's formity in this respect. exaltation.—(1) The Speaker; (2) In England, a payment The message; (3) The hearers.

LESSON BIBLE READING.

LESSONS FROM CHRIST'S BAPTISM. 1. On Man's Obligations: Obedience preferable to ease (Matt.

3:13; Rom. 15:3). Every duty should be done (Matt. 3: 15 f. c. ; Jas. 2:10). Righteousness should be fulfilled (Matt, 3:15 m. c.; Acts 10:35). Christ should be obeyed (Matt. 3:15

1. c.; (Matt. 7:24:27). Blessings follow obedience (Matt. 3: 16, 17; Psa. 19: 11). 2. On Christ's Pre-eminence:

Full of zeal (Matt. 3:13, 15; John Full of devotion (Luke 3:21; Heb. Full of the Spirit (Matt. 3:16; John

3:34). The appointed Messiah (John 1 32 - 34)God's beloved Son (Matt. 3:17

LESSON SURROUNDINGS.

The fullest account of the preaching of John the Baptist is given by Luke (Luke 3: 3-18). John narrates in detail some incidents connected with the Baptist's ministry, but these occurred after the temptation, and are intro-duced to show how the earliest group of Jesus' disciples was formed (John 1:

The site of the baptism of Jesus is in dispute. Luke (Luke 3: 2, 3) refers to the "region round about Jordan" as after delivery of the goods, the place of John's preaching. John (John 1: 28) speaks of "Beth-abara" John's baptizing; again (3: 23) of minimum credit is six months and often "Ænon" (the "Fountains") "near to more. Salim." It is fairly thought that the first-named of these places was the site of the baptism of Jesus; but that does Having accomplished the work which | not locate, or identify, the site itself. | ments. Tradition has fixed on a ford not far Jesus; who was faithful to him that from Jericho, and the claim has been made that it was identical with the "Then cometh Jesus....to be crossing-place of the Israelites under (1) An instituted or- Joshua. The Septuagint interchanges

Beth-nimrah is found to-day near the "Suffer it now." (1) John's hesita- upper fords, on the main road from tion; (2) Jesus' command; (3) John's | Jericho to Gilead (see Tristram's Bible Places, p. 333). From the Gospel nar-3. "Thus it becometh us to fulfil all rative, it would, however, seem that righteousness," Righteousness ful- the place of Jesus' baptism was only a day's journey from Cana of Galilee Curiosities From the Sierra Madres With unquenchable zeal; (3) With | (comp. John 1: 29, 43; 2: 1). This would necessitate a locating of the site much farther north than the region of Jericho. Captain Conder has suggested (Conder's Hand Book to the Bible, p. Beisan; and the distance from the most to be one of the most wonderful and in- port.

> far from 'Ainun and Salim, The time was at least two months be-fore the first Passover of our Lord's the other kinds of preserved human the intruder, who carefully wrapped it The traditional date is January 6, to their almost perfect condition. which there are no serious objections, The year would be 780 (A. D. 27), ferent museums of the world require to This would allow six months or more be hermetically sealed to prevent them for the early ministry of the Baptist. from falling to pieces, while these nat-At this time Jesus was certainly thirty ural American mummies will, in all years old, having been born before the human probability, remain in their death of Herod (April, 750); so that present condition for an indefinite for convenience of reckoning the above period.

Going to Change His Brand,

date furnishes a good point of departure.

"Can I do anything for you ?" politely inquired the young man in charge of miles north of the Mexican boundary, a cigar store as a stranger entered.

rather slow reply. "You make a brand of cigars called the 'Lurids,' don't you?" "Yes, sir, we do.

"And you keep advertising that you are bound to preserve the excellence of the brand?" "Yes, sir." "Well, I've been smoking the Lurids

for a couple of years past, and it's only lately I've noticed a change in the taste, I thought I'd drop in and see about it." "Why, sir, we are using even better tobacco.

"And the same fillers ?" "Better fillers, sir."

"Well, that's probably the matter. Up to a fortnight ago they had a beautiful taste of tarred rope, and my wife used to inhale the smoke for catarrh. Jesus also having been baptized (Luke | Since that time they seem to have a sort of sheep twine taste, and the smell is like an old towel on fire. I was going to say that if---'

"Our cigars are made entirely of choice tobacco, sir." "No rope inside ?"

"No, sir." "Oh, well, then I guess I'll change my brand. Tarred rope lays over sheeptwine any day in the week with me, and there's my wife's catarrh and the baby's whooping cough to be consulted. Sorry to have troubled you, but all of us have our tastes, you know."

An Onyx Quarry,

There is an onyx quarry at New inspection reveals their imperfections. Suisin, Cal., and 100 tons of it were The eyebrows are still distinct and well shipped to New York lately to be made | defined, while between the compressed into mantels, bureau tops, etc., while lips the cork-like tongue and glistening man's advice, will live in a very crook-some of it will be worked into jewelry. teeth are plainly visible. The fiesh on ed house.

TERMS OF CREDIT.

A voice came, ... Thou art my beloved The Time Allowed by the Various Countries of the World.

1. "The heavens were opened unto terms of credit allowed in various counhim." (1) The opened heavens; tries are derived from reports of United

time allowed purchasers to settle their accounts is generally much longer than (1) Endorsing his claims; in France and England. (2) Inspiring his work: (3) Demon- every commercial and manufacturing branch of business has its own particu- feet, with their long, fine nails, lead number of 275. In 1872 his wife died lar terms of credit, and there is no uni-

In England, a payment of the price of the goods delivered is required at the ing of her shroud, remnants of which end of three months, dating from the day of shipment. In France, a four-month's acceptance

being given. In Spain, four-fifths of the transactions are done on a cash basis, while in Portugal great liberality is shown, and quite a long credit is usually allowed. do business without allowing a very

long credit, which is nearly always one of six months. In Turkey, even objects of prime necessity are sold on credit, and in this Mexico now stands. It is impossible to

allowed is in most cases twelve months. the end of thirty days, with a discount can only be a matter of speculation. of five per cent. Sometimes a credit of upon payment of the account.

which to settle their accounts. In tion. Costa Rica a credit of from six to twelve months is given in case of merchandise imported from Europe, in order that the goods may be easily and quickly disposed of. But since this system of credit has often led to losses it is now

being given up. In Cuba the time fixed for payment

(east of the Jordan), as a scene of Rio Janeiro, as in Buenos Ayres, the graved inscription:

In the Bermudas, accounts are settled but once a year. The 30th of June is the day usually fixed for the pay-

In Asia Minor, a credit of but two or three weeks is in most cases all that In China, it is not customary to give

dinance; (2) An eager observer.— Bethabara, or Bethabara, with Bethabara, or Bethabara, or Bethabara, with Bethabara, or Bethabara, or Bethabara, with Bethabara, or Bethabara, or Bethabara, or Bethabara, with Bethabara, or Bet In Australia, a credit of six months is generally allowed.

AMERICAN MUMMIES.

-Aztecs in a Fine State of Preservation.

San Francisco, has been in possession I'll have the dogs set on you." 319 f.) the identification of Beth-Abarah of a collection of rare specimens of in the modern 'Abarah, "one of the mummitied human remains, which fore I begin flying I want to ask you main Jordan fords a little north of scientifically considered, may be stated not to rob me of my only means of supprobable sight of Cana is twenty-two teresting discoveries made for many madam, but that card is the last of a miles." This site has strong probabili- years. It is much to be regretted that fortune of 10,000 and is therefore the ties in its favor; especially as this these relics of the prehistoric American only one I have. If you will oblige me crossing-place leads into Batanea (or ancestors are about to be taken to by returning it, you will at least assure Bethania) beyond Jordan; and it is not | Europe, where they will probably be- me an equally hospitable reception elsecome the property of some museum of where as I have received here." ministry, because there intervened the bodies in their entire unsusceptibility up in a half newspaper and put it in forty days in the wilderness, and the to atmospheric influence, as no exposure his bosom. He turned to go, andevents recorded in John 1: 19 to 2: 12. appears to have the least effect upon | the lady relented and sent him to the

The Egyptian mummies in the dif-

The remarkable specimens of Mr. Docking's challenge were found not far from the banks of the Gila River on the slope of one of the branches of the manage to get so many stupid people therein to the City of London cemetary Sierra Madre in Arizona, about thirty "Why, yes, I guess so," was the with a cement so strong that crowbars rave over cranks of all kinds. Let's the head of Iron-gate stairs. The re- off to fill the order. in a rocky cavern, which was sealed and pickaxes could only with the great- | go. est difficulty penetrate it. The fortunate discoverers were a party of mining prospectors, who, when they attempted to break into the guarded sepulcher, believed that they were about to find a second cave of Monte Cristo. After the discovery of these venerable remains the Indians of the neighborhood, who had known of the existence of the cave for many years, but had been ignorant of its contents, upon hearing that the bodies had been found, believed that they could be nothing else than the re- am not quite well. I did so want to mains of some of their ancient deities, and thinking it their duty to preserve them from desecration caused no little trouble to the discoverers. But after several days of hardship and skirmishing with bands of the enraged natives, the miners succeeded in reaching the railroad, and finally conveyed the bodies to San Francisco.

Two of the mummies are especially worthy of attention, a mother and her female child, evidently about 4 years of | night. the mother's face are clearly distinguishable, while the perfect preservation of the child cannot but be a mystery to scientists.

One other specimen is too important to be passed over; the remains of a man who must have been almost a giant in life. His hair still adheres to his scalp, while the cartilages of the nose and ears are so nearly perfect that only a close inspection reveals their imperfections.

the bones is, of course, considerably shrunken, but the muscles stand out in bold relief, and the features still preserve the unmistakable characteristics of ancient Aztec physiognomy, which The following data regarding the is, indeed, strongly marked in all the bodies in the collection. In size and Ga., lives Mr. Stafford Davis, a relastature and in general appearance they live of the ex-President of the South-

Aztec race.

Yet one more of the specimens may, perhaps, be noticed. It is the body of has never asked for one. When twentya young woman, whose silky, flowing nine years of age he married a Miss Nearly hair is in a perfect state of preserva- Lot, and now has children, grandchiltion, and her small delicate hands and dren and great-grandchildren to the one to believe that she must have been after sixty years of married life, and Here's roast beef, roast mutton, roast are still visible, show that her contem- but is now quite feeble. poraries were by no means ignorant of the arts of dyeing and weaving. Close is required to be sent in settlement of beside her, and wrapped in a shroud of who says that he was born in Southern In Italy, but little credit business is the remains of a stalwart man, who who fought behind the cotton bales un-

her husband, father or lover. or less a mystery to antiquarians. It commander of the British forces on ribs of beef with brown potatoes"-1 a high degree of civilization centuries Indians in Florida in 1838, and was a beans",—oh, I like string beans, don't In Austria, it is scarcely possible to before the discovery of America by volunteer under General Winfield Scott you, Sally? Europeans. Many historians have quite in Mexico. His love for "Old Hickcentury they were permanently settled he says that he votes for him at every tatoes. on the plateau on which the city of Presidential election.

from three to six months is allowed but California, as well as numerous savants | twenty inches long to encompass the in this case there is no discount granted from abroad, physicians, historians and calf of his leg. No hearse could be Oh, I don't know what I want. men of letters, all unite in expressing found large enough to carry his body, In Mexico the large commercial their admiration of these rare speci- and it took twenty men to lift the coffin houses willingly give credit of from six mens of desiccated human remains, to eight months, and in the retail trade and the majority of them have left He was a native of Wimblington, Camlong terms are given customers in written testimonials of their apprecia- bridgeshire, and was fifty-five years old.

A Tramp But Still Proud.

It was one fine afternoon last week, says a reporter, that the electric bell- earnings, and thinks he has now enough button of a surburban mansion was to keep him in comfort for the rest of touched and sent its tinkling reverbera- his days. He never went to school in is generally from four to five months tions to the bower, where the maid, in his boyhood, and did not learn to read blissful repose, was spelling out a soap and write until well on in life. The consul general of the United "ad." She answered the summons, Uncle Elijah Belilower, of Dawson, States at Rio states that one of the and upon opening the door, descried a Ga., failed to attend a recent meeting

"HERBERT MANVILLE," "Please give this to Mrs. Blank," he

remarked in a mild tone. "Sir !" exclaimed the girl in a highpitched voice. "It's all right-all right," replied the

and she will understand it." The girl disappeared and in a few moments the madam herself came to credit. Money is obtained from len- the doorway. She sustained a visible baptized." (1) An instituted ordinance; (2) An eager observer.— Bethabra, or Bethabra, with Bethalight mercual shock when she caught sight of shock when she caught sight sigh

"What do you wish, sir?" she re-

marked haughtily. "I just dropped in," answered the tramp with a mournful intonation-"I just dropped in to see whether you had any cold vituals to spare."

"Cold victuals?" echoed the lady angrily. "You come here in this manner for cold victuals? What do you For some days past Mr. Docking of mean? Leave the place instantly, or

"I fly," replied the tramp. "But be-I do not like to confess it,

kitchen for some cold doughnuts.

At the Musicale.

Mrs. F.-How utterly stupid it all is. There's nobody here I care anything

Mr. F .- The singing is awful and I won't stay to hear Spouter read, Mr. F .- Mercy! he is going to read? I don't see how Mrs. Redfern does to remove the remains of interments and a glass of water. Now, what do

Screech gets through singing. How Wise. He's to read a paper on protoplasms. Great thing for a musicale, I'd stay for refreshments if .t wasn't for that, But I'm bored to death now. Mr. F .- So am I. I've yawned three times in as many different faces now.

(Mr. and Mrs. F. to hostess.) Mrs. F .- We are so sorry to have to go so early, dear Mrs. Redfern, but I hear Professor Wise's paper, too. Mr. F .- And I, too. But I really

Miss Screech sings! Mrs. F .- Oh, beautifully! How do you manage to get so many delightful women—is not at all displaced by the people around you, Mrs. Redfern? It French hat. The sevillana is entirely is always a treat for us to come to your | permissible in the forenoon hours, and And I have so enjoyed it toage, which were found enveloped in one I should so like to hear Mr. Spouter shroud. The delicate lineaments of read. Will Miss Screech sing again, O, Mr. Fraud, shall we stay? yes?

I only wish it were otherwise. now we must go. Good-night, Mrs. Redfern. Such a delightful time.

Mrs. F.—Ob, charming, charming!
Good-night! So serry to go. Good-

night. his vice, and my happiness his torment. REMARKABLE MEN.

Seven Individuals Renowned on Account of Their Age, Weight or Learning.

In the lower part of Coffee County, strictly correspond with the description ern Confederacy, who is now 106 years given by antiquarians of the prehistoric old. He served through the war of 1812 and the Mexican war, but never received a pension for his services and been strong and hearty until this year,

Washington County, Pa., has a veteran of three wars in Isham White, similar texture and color, were found Georgia in 1776. He was one of those done and none without good security might have been, for aught we know, der General Jackson at New Orleans, and thinks it was a bullet from his mus-The Aztec race has always been more ket that killed General Packenham, the

One of the largest men of modern country, as well as in Russia, the time more than conjecture how long before times was Samuel Murfit, who died in that time this tribe was in Arizona. England a few weeks ago. He was In Canada, settlements are made at Therefore, the age of these mummies six feet one inch high, and weighed 560 awful! I couldn't afford to eat in a pounds. The girth of his waist was restaurant very often, could you Sally ! The most eminent scientists from nearly ten feet, and it took a tape-line through the window to an open wagon,

John Tipton, a sexagenarian resident of Illinois, has just begun the study of Greek. His life has been one of incessant toil on a farm, with scant opportunities for study, but every year awful hungry. (Turning to waiter.) he put aside a small sum out of his Have you got coffee? Uncle Elijah Beldower, of Dawson,

greatest drawbacks to commercial in- disreputable looking apparition, who at of the Masonic lodge and the members Crossing"), or of "Bethany" (the Place of Figs") "beyond Jordan" (cessity of allowing too long a credit. At lour a neat little pasteboard with the encessity of allowing too long a credit. At out a neat little pasteboard with the enill. This was the second time in fortyeight years that Mr. Belflower had missed a meeting.

The biggest man in Congress is Repsentative George T. Barnes, of Augusta, Ga. He tips the beam at a trifle over three hundred pounds, and is one toes?

of the most popular men of the State. Wa visitor. "Just hand it to Mrs. Blank His constituency is proud of him, and all meat orders. he will probably remain in Congress as

long as he wants to. Perhaps the smallest man of his age now living is James Hoag, of Cedar known, weighing only nine ounces. He now weighs but seventy-six pounds, and is only forty-five inches in height.

Old London Landmarks.

Two old London landmarks will be the other leg, and goes over the list obliterated by the widening of Little again. Tower hill for making an approach, on the Middlesex side, to the Tower bridge, which is in the course of construction. On the left, or eastern side, is the site, at present partly covered by the pre- have your order made out. mises of the St. Katharine's Docks Company, of Hangman's, alias Hanson's (also Hamsden's), Gains. So strange than 300 years ago. It is, in fact, a their superficial way, and finally drifts corruption of Hammes and Guynes, and was given to a locality which was chases, assigned to the poor traders therefrom when those places, along with Calais, were lost to the English. Across the road and directly opposite is a little burial ground, lying within the Tower Gardens railing, and occupying part of gotten all about it. She picks up the the glacis to the counterscarp of the most below. The graveyard is said to time in utter silence. Finally she asks: have been made for the use of the garrison on the breaking out of the cholera epidemic in 1832 and to have been final- dinner. What do you want? ly closed twenty years afterward. Now almost entirely occupied by Mr. John what I want. What do you want, Jackson, the contractor's, temporary Sally? offices, it has hitherto escaped the notice of topographers. Some headstones me. may still be seen against the low parapet wall. The corporation are about you can bring me some-rolls. Yes, at Ilford. The memorial stone to the Mr. F.-Oh, she has the culture and waterman's dog has also gone, together intellectual craze just bad enough to with the wall in which it was set, at the waiter's classic brow and he moves Mrs. F .- Oh, we can't until Miss Swithin's alley), and the southern side of George street, just across the ancient she does squeak! There's Professor London wall, on the northern side of the Tower, involves the disappearance used to assemble the press gangs before setting out upon their expeditions among the purlieus of East Smithfield, | gain." Wapping and Ratcliffe.

Society in Mexico. The habits of good society here are

quite the same, with a little more dash of abandon, as any where in the world. The ladies wear imported Paris hats him?" must insist on my wife's going home entirely. The sevillana, or modern early. We've employed the evening small mantilla-a most delightfully thus far so much. How charmingly graceful headdress which ought to be the fashion in the states in the summer, so universally becoming is it to all no lady wears a bonnet to church. The en dress and sevillana, and if you want upon his back as many times as he has to see some beautiful Spanish types hairs upon it." among the ladies go to the cathedral or Mr. F.—No, no, my dear; not with your head hurting so. I can't allow it. es of a morning—where, among the es of a morning-where, among the ject of warranty, he adds, in the pre-But hundreds of kneeling worshipers, you sence of witnesses will see faces that an American painter would give much to transfer to canvas. this moment. Thou dost not know will see faces that an American painter The Mexican ladies go to church daily me, and I have never seen thee." in the morning hours, for her worship is not restricted to one day in the week, and the Mexican church is not a com-He who envies me makes my virtue bination of lecture rooms, reception halls and church kitchen. It is a place in which to worship God, and not to man's advice, will have in a very crooking to every man's advice, will have in a very crooking to every make a display of toilets and to sell live well which is in truth, a greater in which is in truth. oyster stews.

ROLLS FOR TWO.

How the Patience of a Waiter Is Tried Sometimes.

They were from the country, and

had probably never eaten in a restaurant in their lives. Waiter-Have you ordered, ladies?" First Lady-Well, no. I don't know

what I want. Do you, Sally? Second Lady-Let me see! A pause. First Lady (reading) — "Vegetable soup." Is that made out of vegetables? Waiter-Yes; will you take soup? First Lady (continues reading) -

one of the aristocracy of that ancient recently he led to the altar a blushing pork, roast veal—oh, yes, and here's commonwealth. The beautiful color- bride of fifty summers. Mr. Davis has fish—white fish. Do you like fish, Second Lady-Yes, I like it very well (perusing bill of fare). Well, if they

ain't got baked beans. I get all them I want at home. First Lady-I do, too. How much is strawberries and cream?

Waiter - Fifteen cents. have strawberries and cream ? First Lady (reading)-"Corned beef, is admitted by all that they had reached that occasion. He served against the bet that's good-"green peas, string

Second Lady-Yes, I do; but here's conclusively proved that in the eleventh ory" amounts almost to reverence, and sliced tomatoes and new stewed po-First Lady-How much is porter-

house steak? Waiter-Forty-five cents. First Lady-Oh, my! Ain't that Second Lady-My, no. (Reading,) "Cracked wheat with milk, oatmeal."

First Lady-I don't either, (Reading.) "Three up." What's that? Anything like "seven up ?" Waiter-Those are butter cakes.

First Lady—What's butter cakes? Waiter explains. Second Lady-What are you going to eat, sister? First Lady-Oh, I don't know. I'm

Waiter-Yes. Will you have some coffee ? First Lady-I don't know. Do you want coffee, Sally?

Second Lady-No. I guess I'll drink Waiter (tired waiting) - What are you going to order, ladies? First Lady-Oh, I don't know. Let

me look over the bill again. A pause. First Lady-What's fricaseed chick-

Waiter explains. First Lady-I don't believe I want that. Have you got any fried pota-

Waiter explains that potatoes go with A pause

First Lady-What's oxtail soup? Waiter explains First Lady-Well, I don't want that, What kind of pie have you? Waiter names 17 kinds.

First Lady you ever! Tell me what they are again, mister; there's so many I've for-Waiter signs, shifts his weight onto

First Lady-Well, I don't believe I want any pie Waiter-If you'll excuse me a mo-

ment, I'll come back directly when you "Certainly" (in concert) Then the two ladies fall to discussing restaurants in general, criticising everyan appellation carries us back to more body within range of their optics in

into a discussion of their shop pur-Waiter returns.

Waiter-Have you made out your order, ladies? Both of them laugh hysterically and lady No 1 remarks that they had forbill again and ponders over it a long

"Don't you have a regular dinner ?" Waiter-You can order a regular First Lady-Well, I hardly know

Second Lady - Anything will suit First Lady (hesitatingly)-I guess

you want. Sally? Second Lady-I'll take the same. A hurricane of disgust breaks oves

An Arab Horse Trade.

An Arab who wishes to sell a horse will never consent to be the first to of a once notorious quarter; for there name a price. Some one comes up and says, "Sell, thou wilt gain," The vender replies, "Buy, thou wilt

> "Speak thou first," "No, speak thou." "Was he purchased, or reared?" "Reared in my tent, like one of my

own children." "What hast thou been offered for "I have been offered 100 douros," "Sell him to me at that price-thou

wilt gain. Tell me then, what thou askest. "See what is written with Allah," "Come let us drive away the previ-

ous bidder, and do thou take ten douros over and above his offer." "I accept. Take thy horse, and Al-If my poor head didn't hurt so | church costume is a black silk or wool- lah, grant thou mayst be successful

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We complain that our life is short, and yet we throw away much of it, and