

GREED'S REWARD

There lived a merchant in old Bagdad,
And the only thing that his heart would hold—
The only joy that he ever had—
Was a purposeless, passionate love of gold.

SOLEMN BU GIDRI'S STERN ERRAND
HIS FIDDLE-HEADED PONY ANSWERED THE CALL.

The Little Curdle, 'Wrapped in White Rag,' Was Balanced on the Berber's Pommel When He Rode Across the Hot Sands from Fez to Tangier.

By R. B. Cunninghame Graham.

The little holes which seemed his
rugged Berber face had given him the
title of the Father of Smallpox, which
he—after the fashion of his country-

mint. Never in all his time of
service, which had extended over years,
had he been sick or sore, or been
away upon a holiday, so that one

Half pagan, half Mohammedan, after
the fashion of the race from which
most likely sprang St. Augustine, al-

An Afternoon of Mystery.
Without a word about the will of
Allah, which, had he been an Arab, he

Withal, Bu Gidri was an honest and
a conscientious man, one that no gold
could buy, a thing unknown among

Mounted upon his pacing nag, his
gun beneath his thigh, and balancing
a little bundle wrapped in white rags

Though, as a Mussulman, one
portion of his life was shut from all
mankind, as with all of the Arabs, with

Muffled in his white baid, which
swathed him like a mummy, silent
and sorrowful, bearing his little

To the outward eye, the marvel was
a dirty little boy in a torn yellow
shirt, barefooted and black-eyed, and

A Trial by Bread and Cheese.
There were many odd ways in
ancient times of detecting criminals.

But, for his reticence about his
family affairs he quite made up by his
garrulity about a certain little pacing

Loosening the girths, he put
his hobbles on his feet and let it browse
upon the scanty grass which grew

His master during the daytime
generally sat inside the doorway of the
British consulate, looking at nothing,

The Influence of a Smoke.
Kief, smoked in a minute and
curiously shaped pipe, the stem of which

his feet out of the heavy stirrups to
rub his stiffened knees, and once again
took up his march, refreshed by his

Leaving the caravan, Bu Gidri
pushed on over the stony plain, crossing
the Ardatz and the Wergha, high up

The heat rose from the stones as
from a lime-kiln heated to its
extremest point, and with his head

Danger in the Hills.
Fear fell upon him that he should
find the gates all closed against him,

Nobly the pacing pony answered to
his call, switching his scraggy tail,
and scurrying along the road so

He reached his village outside
Tangier just at nightfall, and dismounted
at a house. Almost at daybreak he

No queerer example of this could
be found than the ancient mode of
trying prisoners by bread and cheese.

If he managed to swallow them
easily he was acquitted, but if he choked
he was condemned. Naturally enough

Bee Hunter's Record.
Gilbert M. Sims of Donegal
township, Washington county, claims the

The Duke of the Abruzzi arrived
in London on his way to Rome.
The American ambassador, Henry

LATEST NEWS
BY TELEGRAPH

Domestic

Three joint indictments have been
voted by the San Francisco grand jury
against Abraham Ruef, Patrick Cal-

The New York Assembly passed the
Agnew-Hart amendment to the
Percy-Gray law, which prohibits race-

The Rhode Island Republican
Convention elected an unopposed
delegation to the National Convention.

The tobacco warehouse of T. S.
Hamilton & Co., in Covington, Ky.,
was destroyed by Night Riders.

Lawrence Stoltz, a bigamist,
committed suicide in Cleveland, O.,
because wife No. 2 drove him out.

Duc de Chaulnes, who recently
married Miss Theodora Shonts in
New York and sailed away to honey-

The American Newspaper Publishers'
Association has been informed that
the Ways and Means Committee of

Policemen who formed a human
bridge over a chasm between two
buildings saved five persons from

Eleanor Eadie, aged 19, has had
a design for a soldier and sailors'
monument to be erected at Bayonne,

The new bridge of the Pennsylvania
Railroad over Raritan River, N.
J., was dynamited.

Rev. Dr. Charles Cuthbert Hall,
president of Union Theological Sem-

Prince Helie de Sagan, suitor for
the hand of Mme. Anna Gould, is in
New York.

Brigadier General Elisha I. Baily,
U. S. A., died in California.

Judge Holt, in the United States
Circuit Court, New York, dismissed
the suit for \$30,000,000 damages

Two men were probably fatally
burned and the garage of Charles E.
Dinkey, in Pittsburg, was destroyed

Mounted Customs Inspectors
Charles Logal and Charles Jones
fought a pistol duel in El Paso, Tex.

Bishop Charles H. Fowler, of the
Methodist Episcopal Church, died in
New York City.

Dr. John Bryant, a yachtsman of
international reputation, died at his
home, in Boston.

The Grand Pacific Hotel in
Chicago, was damaged by fire to the
extent of \$100,000.

Foreign

Speaking in the Reichstag,
Chancellor von Buelow gave a further
negative reply to the proposal for the

The Japanese Foreign Minister
says the Chinese central government
has shown a friendly attitude toward

Wholesale arrests are being made
in Peking in an effort to check the
antigovernment movement which has

The Japanese government is exerting
itself to the utmost to relieve the
country's financial situation, which

China has begun preparations for
the entertainment of the American
battleship fleet on tour around the

Seven men convicted of conspiracy
against the Emperor of China were
condemned to long terms of imprisonment.

The Brazilian government has
decided to encourage immigration of
Japanese for field laborers.

Roumania has initiated a campaign
of persecution against the Jews,
according to advices received at Berlin,

Emperor William, the Empress and
other members of his family were
received and entertained in Venice by

The British premier, Sir Henry
Campbell-Bannerman, has developed
a serious case of d. o. p. s. His friends

Mr. J. P. Morgan was entertained
in Rome by Ambassador Lloyd C.
Griscom.

The Duke of the Abruzzi arrived
in London on his way to Rome.

The American ambassador, Henry
White, and Mrs. White, gave a brilliant
diplomatic and official dinner in

Chinese officials who betrayed their
government's secrets, were sentenced
to long terms of imprisonment.

Baron Yanosuke Iwasaki, a leading
Japanese banker and business man
died in Tokio.

The Spanish steamer Isla de Panay
was burned in the harbor of Barcelona.
There was no loss of life.

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WISE WORDS.
The louder a man cheers the more
he doesn't understand what it's
about.

The average man thinks patriotism
is pretending he has read the Consti-
tution.

A girl is so trusting she always
knows you mean it even when you
don't tell her she is pretty.

A satisfactory thing about educat-
ing a boy is you can blame his not
being able to earn his living on his

A widow has a very coy way of
liking a man to smell of tobacco.

The trouble with marrying for
money is the job always proves to be
worth more than it pays.

A man could make himself very
useful by inventing some new ex-
cuses for staying out late at night.

A woman thinks another is sly
when she goes to church in a new
gown she didn't tell about before-

Lots more girls would get married
earlier if it didn't take them so long
to get over thinking they can sing.

A woman is so contrary she could
like a man because she didn't.

One penalty for a man's not liking
his wife's new hat is he can pay for
another.

The most aggravating thing about
having a good reputation is what a
fine time you could have if you didn't.

When a girl gives you her cheek
to kiss in public it's a sign she really
knows how to do it when nobody is

A girl hankers after an elopement
because it usually means a bigger
notice in the newspapers than the

The only good husband is when he
has a widow.

A man hardly ever knows he has
proposed to a girl till she has done
it for him.

A girl's beau goes up 100 per cent.
in value in her eyes merely by going
down 100 per cent. in her father's.

One of the disadvantages of having
children is you can only say cuss
words before them under your

A woman can never understand
how wearing some of the baby's hair
in his locket doesn't keep her hus-

STORY OF A KEY AND DISASTER.
You may be interested to hear of a
thing which happened to me in Brit-

The key fitted perfectly and we
went. But, imagine, we found at the
station great placards posted up tell-

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