A Desert Dawn As when of old Mohammed watched the night

Star after star before the dawn de cline. So now there runs a broad and brightening line

Along the east, while toward the zenith height

Are quenched the beacons set to guide aright The pilgrim journeying to the Prophet's shrine:

Now vermell streaks the skies incarnadine, And now behold-the sun's ascendent

light!

To burnished bronze the brooding desert burns; A tropic tremor quivers through the air;

From shady dream oases, fountain fair. To parching wastes the wanderer re-

turns: While ere the sand the wakened camel spurns-

Allah il Allah!-swells the morning prayer. Clinton Scollard, in the New York Sun.

Her Attorney

The girl moved along the hallway in a hesitating fashion. She glanced at the signs on the doors and seemed unable to come to a decision. Her pale face wore a troubled expression.

A frown darkened her forehead. She was a slender girl, with dark hair and eyes and her quiet gown and hat were tasteful and becoming. That was the opinion, at least, of the elderly man who was sitting at a table in one of the offices when she paused at the open door and looked in. He was an elderly man of middle height, a little inclined to stoutness, a man with thick gray hair and short gray moustache, and his expression was a delightfully friendly one.

It was this characteristic expres sion that attracted the attention of the girl. She paused timidly for a moment and then came into the room a little way, and when she saw the man was alone she spoke.

"Sir," she asked, "are you a law-

His pleasant smile deepened. "It is a curious fact," he said, "that I have never been asked that question before." His voice was deep and pleasant, too. "If you know our profession, young lady, you will not expect a direct answer. Will it suffice you if I say that I have been a member of the bar of this country for forty years?"

She hesitated and her voice trembled. 'I want to consult you about a di-

vorce." He was a little startled at this reply and glanced at his watch again.

"Very serious of course. Haven't, you anybody to advise you?" "No, I'm a Chicago girl. All my

friends live there." "Yes. Then you haven't though! of going home to mother?"

"No. I'd be ashamed to do that." "Good. Mother thinks you are happy, of course?"

"Ye-es." "And father?"

"Father didn't want me to marry a-a New Yorker. If he knew I was unhappy he woull come here ful scene." "No nonsense about father, eh?

And what do you propose to do af here only to arrange for the payment ter-after you get the divorce?" She gave a little shulder.

"Father sends me an allowance and I think I would like to find something to do-something to make me feel in he said. "I go aboard the French dependent."

mony?"

want it-I don't want anything that Goodbye, sir, and a safe voyage." belongs to Jim."

'A very proper spirit," said the before the library door. old man, with a queer little twinkle in his eyes. "And how old is Jim?" bins," said the old man softly, "and

I am." "Still young enough to cling to his boyish follies, eh? A lively young "I begin to understand." rounder-late suppers and lots of red liquor, no doubt."

"Jim isn't like that.".

"Never goes anywhere, eh? Always moping at home and refusing and with a sudden exclamation left

to take you anywhere." "No," said the girl. "Jim always took me wherever I wanted to go." "Close with his money, perhaps.

Forever grumbling about the house. Jim?" hold expenses?"

The girl opened her eyes very wide. "Jim never did that. Why, I've always saved part of the money he allowed me. He never grumbled about

"He had an ungovernable temper, then? Struck you, perhaps?"

The girl's face turned white. 'Struck me! Jim couldn't do

that!" "Of course he couldn't. Then I'll in the Outlook. "Still nearer my winhave to conclude that he's a married dow is the great equestrian statue

cheeks.

"No," she said in a low voice. "Now, my dear," said the old man, let me hear about the material on which you expect to base your charges. You and Jim quarreled?" "Dreadfully," replied the girl with

shudder. "And what was it all about?"

"I don't remember how it started," said the girl. "It was something quite silly, I think. Jim was very cross when he came home, andand he found fault with the biscuitsand they were not very good, but Jim had no right to speak so sarcastically about them-and I had a headache and wasn't a bit well-and Mary had threatened to leave-and I hadn't heard from mother, and I was afraid she was sick-and-"

The old man checked the torrent with an uplifted hand.

"Wait," he hastily said, "that's all right as an example of rapid enunciation, but as a basis for divorce

charges it is very weak. Did Jim throw the butter dish at you, and follow it up with the cream jug?" The girl stared at him.

"Why, Jim wouldn't do that," she said, Jim's a gentleman."

"He might have been a little more courteous in his references to a lady's biscuits," said the old man. "But we will let that pass. What did he do?"

"He said some very cruel things," replied the girl as she choked back a sob.

"All untrue, of course?" "Every one of them." "What did he say?"

"I-I can't remember." "But it is necessary to remember. What did he call you?" "Me! He didn't call me anything."

"Didn't he say cruel things about "No-o o. He said them about Chicago."

"Chicago!" "Yes. He said the meanest things

you ever heard." The old man drew a quick breath. "And, of course, you retaliated by saying still meaner things about New York?

"No, I didn't," the girl returned. I know so little about New York I couldn't think of anything to say." "That's true." He looked at her keenly. "Of course nothing will sat-) isfy you except a divorce?"

She gave a little start and opened her black eyes very wide. "Why, what else can I have?" His voice was grave. "Jim's love."

"It's too late for that," she half sobbed. "Jim's gone to see his law-

The tears filled her eyes.

The old man looked at his watch. "That reminds me. Who is Jim's

"His name is Paulding, Jasper Paulding."

through the hall. And it's just York Sun. twelve o'clock." Then he turned quickly and hurried down the hall. When he reached the door that bore the name of Experiment in London Has Proved

Jasper Paulding he opened it and entered. Two men were seated at the table. One was nearing middle age. The

ing, tall and muscular. "There are occasions," said the old man, "when it seems justifiable to deviate from established rules. This is one of them." He looked hard at the young man. "I have heard your have increased the appropriation for wife's sad story," he gravely said.

And despite the gravity of his tone the young man almost believed | Each school will accommodate sevhe saw a twinkle in the keen old enty-five children, divided into three eyes.

"I feel quite sure," he said, "that and take me away and make a dread- my wife didn't paint me darker than I deserved to be painted. Mr. Paulding will tell you, sir, that I came into Angela's hands of a fixed sum each week."

The old man arose. "I am a little pressed for time." liner this afternoon. Will you trust "Don't you expect to ask for all- your client with me, Mr. Paulding?"

"Certainly, general," cried the law-"No, no," cried the girl. "I don't yer. "He couldn't be in better hands. A moment later the two men stood

"Your wife is in there, Jim Rob-"Twenty-seven on the seventh of she's much too dear a wife and too June. He is five years older than sweet a girl to be lost through foolish pride. Do you understand?" "Yes, sir," the young man answered.

They shook hands and then the young man quickly opened the door "No, no," said the girl quickly and as quickly closed it behind him. The old man nodded and gently smiled. Then he loked at his watch

the room. Five minutes later a puzzled look crossed the young wife's face.

"How did you know I was here, "Your lawyer told me." The young wife clapped her hands.

"Isn't he the dear old man," she cried."-Cleveland Plain Dealer,

PARTIALITY IN STATUES. Bostonian Complains That Soldiers Get More Than Their Share.

"Under my window in Boston was dedicated the other day a statue of "There, there," said the old man. Gen. Banks," writes Edwin D. Mead Very fond of the ladies, isn't of Gen. Hooker, quite dwarfing the modest figures of Daniel Webster and more civilized lands,

A dull red surged into the girl's Horace Mann further back in the State House yard.

"Now I have a very considerable respect for Gen. Banks and Gen. Hooker, but I cannot forget that there is no statue in Boston of Emerson or Lowell or Whittier or Longfellow, whom there is vastly higher reason, as there would be vastly greater benefit, for Boston to honor.

"There are statues of Gen. Clover and Col. Cass, of whose services not one reader in a thousand could give the slightest account, but there is no memorial of John Adams or John Quincy Adams, the two great Massachusetts presidents of the United States

"The streets and squares of Washington swarm with statues, but it is no exaggeration to say that threequarters of them are of generals and admirals, and most of these men of whom even the high school boys of the city know but little.

"There is next to nothing among them to remind the visitor from Mars or from Maryland that the nation of Washington and Jefferson and Franklin-whose judgment of war and of the proper prominence of the soldier in their new republic is remembered by some of us-ever produced a poet or historian, a scholar, or teacher, a painter or sculptor, a philosopher or philanthropist, a statesman or a man of science worthy of notice, or that up to date it really honors enough to spend any money to show it, any vocation save the warrior's.

It is the measure of our barbarism" FEW LEFT HANDED BARBERS.

And Those Can't Have Their Chairs in the Middle of the Line.

"Of course left handed persons are scarce anyway," said the man who carries his habits of observation even into the barber's chair, "but they are mighty scarce among barbers; in fact I have seen but two or three in my experience;

"But you are sure to notice it when you do find one. He does just as efficient work, but it is the way he does it that attracts your notice.

"The barber as a rule stands at the right of the customer while shawing him, making little trips to the back and to the left only when necessary. Naturally, I suppose, the left handed barber does just the opposite; he stands most of the time at your left.

"For that reason you won't find a left handed barber in the middle of a line of barbers. His chair has to stand at one end or the other so that he won't bump into the right handed man next to him.

"Like most left handed persons his right hand is less clumsy than the left hand to right handed persons usually is. He shaves you with either hand, but prefers the left. He strops a razor just as a right handed "Eh!" exclaimed the old man. man does, however, and that is about contract grade, December, 1.03 a "Why, I noticed his sign as I came the only point of similarity."-New

OPEN AIR SCHOOLS.

a Great Success.

London is experimenting with open air schools. They are for poor children, their session is from June 1 other was a young man, good look- to October 31 and they are proving Western firsts, f. c., 34 at mark; do. a success.

The beginning was made last summer and was purely experimental. The authorities made a grant of £400 to see how the thing worked. They next summer to £2,000 and three

schools will be established. classes of twenty-five each. The staff will consist of one head teacher, three assistant teachers, a nurse, cook and

helper and a janitor. Of course there are buildings which are occupied a part of each day, as well in pleasant as in unpleasant weather: but unless the weather is hopelessly bad almost all the time | 63 1/2 is spent in the open air. A blackboard on an easel is set up on the grass and the chairs of the pupils

are grouped before it. The children are small and the course of study is light. There are games, too, calisthenics, nature study in the open, and the results of all these in physical improvement are said to be very gratifying. The children have their meals on the premises and spend the entire day there.

Solar System Exhibit.

The exhibit on the ground floor of the American Museum of Natural History. New York city, illustrating the solar system, has been altered so as to be more comprehensive and instructive. The sun is now represented by an illuminated globe three inches in diameter, which brings the orbit of the earth just within the foyer. The foyer, therefore, now contains the whole of the orbits of Mercury, Venus and the earth and part of that of Mars, while the adjoining exhibition halls contain the remainder of the orbits of Mars and parts of those of Jupiter and Saturn. The orbits are represented by circles of wire on which the days and months are indicated and along which the planets, shown as lights of proper size, are moved from day to day in 2.50 to 4,50; culls, 1.50 to 2.25; correct position.

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Weekly Review of Trade and Lates! Market Reports.

A GOOD SPRING TRADE EXPECTED.

New York (Special) .- R. G. Dup & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: Seasonable quiet is reported in wholesale and jobbing trade, traveling men preparing to start out next week. Confidence in good spring business is general, results of inventories thus far available indicating that reports of depleted stocks were not exaggerated. Conservative buying during the past year has made the statistical position very strong among dealers, while curtailed manufacturing operations prevented accumulation at the mills. Current distribution of staples is fair, but open weather retards sales of heavyweight wearing apparel. The same influence operates, on the other hand. to facilitate outdoor work, and estimating rooms are busy on plans for future construction. After some overhauling and repairs the leading industrial plants will resume next week with larger forces than at any time during 1908. A quiet closing of the year was

expected in the markets for iron and steel, but an improved demand is anticipated early in January.

Few buyers are in the primary markets for textile fabrics, stock taking and the holidays combining to make the week the dullest of the year. Better conditions in China indicate that export trade may broaden shortly, the moderate recovery in price of silver being an important feature in this connection. As to woolen goods, there is some activity in the cheaper lines, and as the season advances there are more open ings of medium and higher grades

New York .- Wheat -- Receipts, 61, 000; exports, 93,572. Spot, firm; No red, 1.07 % @ 1.09 % elevator; No 2 red, 1.07% f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 Northern Duluth, 1.17% f. o. b

afloat. No. 2 hard winter, 1.14% f. o. b. affoat. Corn-Receipts, 38,700; exports 20,859; spot firm; No. 2, 65 to ar rive, elevator, and 65½ f. o. b Option market was quiet but firmer; closing 1.. higher of December and 1/4 up otherwise; De cember, 66@66; closed, 66; May

closed 67%; July closed, 67%; Sep tember closed, 67% Oats—Receipts, 40,500; exports 1,050; spot steady; m xed, 26@32 pounds, 54@54½; natural white 26@32 pounds, 54@57; clipped white, 34@42 pounds, 56 1/2 @62. Butter-Firmer: receipts, 2,980 Creamery, specials, 32 1/2 (officia price), 32; extras, 31@32; thirds to

firsts, 23@30; held creamery, com mon to special, 22@29 14 Cheese-Firm, unchanged; re ceipts, 2,112.

Eggs-Firmer; receipts, 5,025 State, Pennsylvania, and nearby brown and mixed, fancy, 34 (#36 fair to choice, 31@33; Wester firsts, 33; seconds, 31@32.

Philadelphia. - Wheat -1.03 14. Corn - Firm; December, 634 63 1/2.

Oats-Steady; No. 2 white naturas 56 @ 56 1/2. Butter-Firm, good demand; extra Western creamery, 33; do., nearb)

prints, 35. Eggs-Firm, 2c. higher; Pennsy vania and other nearby firsts, f. c. 34 at mark; do., current receipts, returnable cases, 33 at mark current receipts, f. c., 32@33 at

Cheese-Firm and active; New York full creams, choice, 14% @ 14 1/2: do., fair to good, 13 @ 13 1/2.

Baltimore .- Flour -- Dull and unchanged; receipts, 16,295. · Wheat - Dull; spot contract, 1.02 ¼ @ 1.02 ½; spot. No. 2 red Western, 1.04 ¼ @ 1.04 ½; December. 1.02 1 @ 1.02 1; January, 1.02 1 @ 1.03; March, 1.07 1; steamer, No. 2 99% @99%; receipts. 878;

Southern on grade, 97% @1.01. Corn-Firmer; new steady contract, 64 @ 64 %; year, 64 %; January, 64 @ 64 %; February, 64 % @ 64 %; March, 65 @ 65 %; steamet mixed, 62 @ 62 %; receipts, 50,944; Southern white corn, 59@64; new Southern rellow corn, 58 1/2 @

Oats—Dull; No. 2 white, 55 1/2 @ 56; No. 3 white, 54 1/2 @ 55 1/2; No. 2 mixed, 54@541/2; receipts, 11,-

. Hay—Steady and unchanged; No. 1 timothy and No. 1 clover mixed unchanged.

Butter-Firm and unchanged; fancy imitation, 24@25; fancy cream ery, 32@33; fancy ladle, 20@21;

store packed, 18@19. Cheese-Firm and unchanged; new large, 14%; new flats, 14%; new small, 15.

AND CHEMOS New York .- Beeves -- Receipts, 1. 789 head; steers opened 10c. higher, closed dull and easier; bulls and good cows steady; others easier to 15c. lower. Steers, 4.75 to 6.80; oxen and stags, 3.50 to 4.85; culls 3.00 to 3.75; cows, 1.75 to 4.00.

Calves — Receipts, 1,329 head; veals firm to a shade higher; barnyard and Western calves firm; veals, 5.00 to 10.00; tops at 10.12½ to 10.25; culls, 4.00; barnyard calves, 2.50 to 3.75; Indiana calves, 4.50; Westerns, 3.90; choice, light Kansas City calves, 6.25; dressed calves quiet, but full steady; city dressed 8 to 15c.; country dressed, 6 to 13c.

Sheep and Lambs-Receipts, 8, 492. Sheep steady to 15 to 25c. higher; lambs firm; choice stock would sell 10 to 15c. higher. Sheep, lambs, 6.00 to 7.50; culls, 4.50 to

Hogs-Receipts, 7,068. Feeling Chicago. - Cattle - Receipts es iare exported each year, threatens to compete seriously with that grown in more civilized lands.

steady. Steers, 4.60@7.90; cows. 3.00@5.25; heifers, 2.50@4.60; bulls, 2.75@4.50; calves, 3.50@8.75; stockers and feeders, 2.50@

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MAINE PANTHERS.

For years it has been a question among hunters whether there exists or has existed in this State any such animal as the Indian devil, panther, or, as he is known in the West, the mountain lion. Charles A. Daisey, a well known

guide of Northern Maine, who runs Camp Phoenix, is the first person in this part of the country that has met this animal face to face. During the earlier part of the fall

Mr. Daisey was coming from his camp through to Norcross to meet a party. When, down to the trail to what is called the old Butterfield camps, he was passing by an old yard where the lumbermen had yarded logs a few years before. The raspberry bushes were very thick and grew to a height

of four or five feet. When he came to the edge of the yard he noticed two deer, as he supposed, walking through the bushes, He stopped to watch them, for he had never seen deer walk along so quietly, and they were rather red for the time of year, as deer begin to turn earliet in the serson from the reddish color

to a gray. While watching them, one of the animals sprang from the raspberry bushes into a big birch tree, alighting on a large branch some twelve of fifteen feet from the ground. Hardly had the first one reached the tree, before the second one sprang to the side of the tree about eight feet from the ground. This one looked back over his shoulder at Mr. Dalsey, gave a catlike spit and snarl, and then jumped off into the underbrush and

disappeared. As soon as Mr. Daisey came to his senses after such a surprise he pulled a small .32-calibre revolver from his pocket and opened fire on the one ir the tree, firing five shots as fast as he could pull, the last shot seemingly taking effect, for he said the animal hunched up his back, gave an unearthly yell and sailed off through the branches to the ground and out of

sight. Filling the chambers of his re volver again, Dalsey awaited develop ments, for he said that it would be no use for him to try to run from an animal that could jump twenty five feet. After waiting a few minutes they did not return; so Mr. Daisey re sumed his journey.

The animals when first seen by Mr. Daisey were on an old log, their backs just coming to view above the bushes When Mr. Daisey arrived at Norcross he told some of his friends what he had seen, but cautioned them no to tell about it. Finally the stor; leaked out and Daisey's fellow guider have had all kinds of fun with him; some telling him they were bobcats others that they were raccoons of house cats left there by the lumber men; but Daisey still claimed he had told the truth and said that be fore long some one else would see

From Mr. Daisey's description the animals were of a reddish color, have ing a body four or five feet long and a tail about three feet long, and to his judgment, would weigh 100 or 125 pounds .- Forest and Stream.

One Better.

An Englishman, fond of boasting of his ancestry, took a coin from his pocket, and, pointing to the head engraved on it, said: "My greate great-grandfather was made a lord by the King whose picture you see on this shilling."

"What a coincidence!" said his Yankee companion, who at once produced another coin. "My great-greatgrandfather was made an angel by the Indian whose picture you see on this cent."-Christian Endeavor World.

MADE A MISTAKE,

Young Hopeful - "Mummy, have gooseberries got legs?" Mother-"No, dear." Young Hopeful--"Then I've swallowed a caterpillar,"-The

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