THE CREAM OF THE NEW BOOKS.

"Hail Sun Russell!" among the Camels.

From Dr. William Howard Russell's new book, entitled "A Diary in the East during the Tour of the Prince and Princess of Wales," just published by Routledge & Sons, we copy the following pictures, excellent in local color and fidelity:

"WALES" AND WIFE INSPECT THE RUINS OF KARNAK.

About midday the Prince and Princess started for Karnak, *vogue comitante caterva*. And a very pretty procession it was—the Princess on her milk-white donkey, caparisoned in red velvet and gold, and the Prince on an animal of the same kind, of darker hue. The donkey is the favorite beast of the middle, the horse in the especially foppish, beautifying, much neighing, given to ground and lofty tumbling, which, in a hot sun and on a broiling sand, is not conducive to comfort. There were Mrs. Grey, the Duke of Sutherland, Prince Louis of Battenberg, the Marquis of Stafford, Lord Albert Gower, Lord Carrington, Colonel Marshall, Mr. Monckton, Prof. Owen, Mr. Fowler, Mr. Sumner, Sir H. Pelly, Col. Stanton, Sir S. Baker, Dr. Minter, Major Alison, Mourad Pasha, Abd-el-Kader Bey, Ali Bey, Mr. Brierly, Mr. George, and myself, with a generous admixture of cabmen, guides, cavasses, dragomans—conductors of the gorgeous Hadji Ali, Col. Stanton's dragoman; and Hamed —a gay crown on horses and asses, cantering, in clouds of dust, with bright and flowing dresses, turbanded, and loose-robed—in a long stream, over irrigated land and desert, which now spreading out like a fan of many colors, again condensed in an undulating cordon belle over the plain. As we rode, talked and laughing, out from Luxor to the waste where once reared the proud feet of Sesostris, Abd-el-Kader and Sir S. Baker wheeling and whirling, according to their skill, in the wild pleasures of the jereed play, which, considering that the sun was excessively powerful and burning, did not commend itself largely to our party. Our Arabian friend dominoes and the Turkish chibouque-like always attend on these occasions, and the brawny sailors of the Ariadne career gloriously on steed or ass, and display their chibouques. And wherever the Prince goes the faithful Downie is sure to be; not Peter Robertson far off, but the guardian of the Prince's gun. Allster, of course, is ever with the Duke. We are going all sorts of ways, of course. We should visit the ruins on the left bank of the Nile first, and finish with those on the right. But it matters much. Certainly it did not affect any of the party around the Royal Princely, and the Princess was the most open-hearted people on their way to Karnak. Some two hundred people perhaps, all in full cry, and merry as the morn. And the solemn grandeur of the ruined temples came on us at last!

IMPRESSION OF THE KARNAK RUINS.

Well! it is the idea of "antiquity" that we have been" that much of the impression produced by these ruins is based! They are the only works of human hands, I know of which produce the effect of awe. The immense antiquity of what we see affects one's relation to even that fact. Any stone at our feet is older by countless ages. But our fellow-men hewed these blocks and built them there and drew those figures and cut those emblems in the nonage of the world. And we are the grandeur in the labors of these poor, nameless multitudes. Time has cast over them the shadow of eternity. Even the gods before whom these human; but only because no human creature now can wield the power to which they owe their erection. "What this must have been!" That is the thought which fills the breast with something like veneration as we walk down what was once the Avenue of Sphinxes, now a rough broad path in the Desert sand, covered with stones, sand, fragments of shrines, and blocks formerly by a border of gigantic Sphinxes at short distances, of which ten only remain complete. These Sphinxes had the heads of rams, the necks and busts of women, and the arms and claws of a lion. So much we can be certain from an inspection of the colossal fragments of the hundreds which cover the ground. They were assiduous destroyers who did so much work here. The avenue formed by these Sphinxes led to a gateway or Pylon which is still erect, and rises to the height of 140 feet, its massive blocks recording that it is the work of Ptolemy Energetes and Berenice, his wife, who are, according to our guide-book, represented making offerings to their predecessors and parents. Ptolemy is said to be shown somewhere in a Greek costume, but I could not make him out. The Royal party, in irregular procession, approached the ruins from the south, and approached the ruins from the southwest entrance, and passing through the Ptolemaic Pylon, made an examination of the sculptured stones, most of them dismounting and hauling over the animals to the spot. These blocks are covered down a second avenue of mutilated Sphinxes, by far older than the first, and passed through a Pylon, 50 feet high, into a court, in which one perfect column alone remains to show how grand must have been the stupendous scene of its fellows, the fragments of which are lying all around. It is said to be near ninety feet high, and the capital, in the shape of a lotus-flower, and the lotus-bud, is covered with sculpture, and has a circumference of 36 feet. Third and his successors, dating about 1200 B. C. A Pharaoh who preceded Shishak, the contemporary of Solomon, also had a hand in it.

Here is a portrait of one of the best known and most remarkable men in Egypt:

AN ARMENIAN GENTLEMAN.

Dining with Count Waldstein, one night, I had the pleasure of making the acquaintance of Hekekian Bey, an Armenian gentleman resident in Cairo, whose name is mentioned in almost every book or letter written about that city. Formerly in the service of the Viceroy, he has retired in his old age, yet grown and vigorous, and he watches after the mystic meaning of the old Egyptian monuments, and to cultivate his critical faculties in the pursuit of the true character of civilization, the religious, philosophical and metaphysical formation, of which so many traces lie around him in the land of his adoption. One of the old regime, he is, I should guess, so fervent in his impressions with the somewhat violent efforts of the Government to civilize the Egyptians of to-day as he was with the Mamelukes, and a Free Mason, and mathematician, he is a professor believes in the immense extent and profundity of ancient Egyptian knowledge. To hear him speak, one would believe that, in astronomy, the Egyptians of the time of Pharaoh were, at least, as well versed as the Astronomer Royal. His conversation was to us all, singularly interesting, instructive, and novel. Speaking English with the greatest purity and ease (and, indeed, what language does he not speak?) the graceful old Armenian was wont to sit for hours telling us of adventures among the Arabs of the desert when he was out surveying for the Government in times gone by, or propounding with the utmost animation his astounding theories concerning the nature of Egyptian monuments, and the time he attended the greatest significance, to be understood only by the instructed.

A Joy Who Loved Roses.

From "A Book about Roses," by S. Reynolds Hale, published by Blackwood & Sons, we extract a pretty, perfumed story:

The navvy is not commonly a man of floral proclivities, but I met with a grand exception a few years ago in the leader of a gang then working upon one of our midland lines. When the work was done, and the band dispersed, he applied for and obtained a gate-house on the rail, and to that tenement was attached the nominal apology for a garden which I ever saw in my life. Knowing his love for flowers, I consulted with him at the beginning of his tenancy; but he only responded with a significant grunt, and a look at the garden; as though it were a football and he was going to kick it over the railway. It seemed to me a grass-bed, and nothing more. Twelve months after I came near the place again—was it whence which I saw on the sandy desert? There were vegetables, fruit-bushes, and fruit-trees, all in vigorous health; there were flowers, and the flower-queen in her beauty. "Why, Will," I exclaimed, "what have you done to the garden?" "Done, sir! Does yer," he replied, grinning, "I hadn't been here a fortnight afore I *swopped it for a pound*." He had, as a further explanation, mentioned, and after an agreement with a neighboring farmer, removed with pick and barrow his sandy stratum to the depth of three feet, wheeled it to the banks of an old pond, or rather to the margin of a costly but not a good once was, but which had been gradually filled up with leaves and silt; and this rich production he would be had brought home, a distance of 200 yards, replacing it with the gravel, and shelling as per orchestra. Other neighbor had given him a cartload of clay, and the children had wheeled forward a little bit of much, and he meant stirring up them cottagers at next show with roses and kidneys too."

LITERARY.

—Strahan will be the publisher of Tennyson's new volume.

—Tallis's capital work on the History of English Literature is concluded by a fifth volume on "Les Contemporains."

—Roberts Brothers' publication of the beautiful silhouettes to *Midsummer Night's Dream* by the German artist Kouwelka, is postponed until December 1st. Specimen pages show the printing to be delightfully clear and perfect, but, since red is employed on every page as a border, it seems a pity that the transparency and clearness of a red book or page for every picture—which would have given the designs the exact value of figures on an Etruscan vase—was not thought of. The book will be one of the most original among those issued in the holiday season. Early in December the same house will print translation of "Janus"; importance to us—"Type of the Country, and Origines, Xoa or Chaos (according to the Sioa, &c.) Innumerable examples of this kind might be adduced. It must be obvious, even to the least intelligent mind, that the attempt to pronounce names so differently written according to the fancy or caprice of the letters, would lead to endless confusion.

"The only way to remedy this, and for us is to adopt the third method noticed above, and to pronounce modern names, as nearly as possible, like the inhabitants of the respective countries to which such names belong."

NEW PERIODICALS.

The following magazines are received from Turner Bros.:

The editor of the *Galaxy* this month throws himself into his *Nebulæ* with a devotion that makes his ideas on the use of poetical subjects perilously foggy: speaking of the French astronomer as whom the Academy has lately lauded for his idea of telegraphing to Jupiter and Mars by gigantic signals, this savant says:

"Imagine the delight and triumph which would fill our hearts on having discovered that the moon our practical conviction that any two angles of a triangle are together equal to two right angles, the former is somewhat the brighter, but by her contension of faith that any two sides of the triangle are together greater than the third."

This extraordinary "conviction" would hardly fill any breast outside of the "cuckoo" with either delight or triumph; since it happens to be preposterous, and since even the man in the moon, if he is only half as wise as he was when the *Midsummer-Night's Dream* was written, knows familiarly that it takes all the angles a triangle can get by the most rigid economy, to equal 180 degrees.

Charles Reade's story drags a little, but it is, of course, sparkling and epigrammatic, and yields the following pretty expression, which will take rise, and which could come from none but Charles Reade:

"When the Doctor said he loved his patient, she stole her little hand into his in a way to melt Old Nick. He is a man, *Ladies, forgive the unchivalrous truth!*"

The Secretary of the late Cardinal Archbishop who believes his patron was "hundred, has some interesting personal gossip. The remaining articles are: Satan Reformed—By Mrs. Edwards; Chapters XXXVI, XXXVII, XXXVIII, and XXXIX—(Illustrations). On the Red Desert—By Albert S. Evans. The Old Gate—By H. R. The Breath of Life—By Rev. Charles C. Dyer, M. D. Latter Spring—By Rose Terry. A Marriage and a Theory—By Edgar Fawcett. A November Afternoon—By Rebecca Harding Davis. Mary Stronghearth's Report—By Jane Strongheam. An Editor's Tales—No. II.: Josephine the Consumercial—(a capital thing)—By Anthony Trollope. The Morals and Manners of Onomatopoeia—By Richard Grant White. The Galaxy Miscellany. Drift-Wood. Literature and Art.

—Putnam's for December has the following list of contents, somewhat beneath its usual standard: Sovereignty of the Sea, by A. A. Low; To-day, a romance (concluded), by R. H. Kimball; Keene Dalghes, by Lucy Foster Lewis; Lines from a Publisher's Letter-Book, III., by G. P. Putnam; Cinella (concluded), by Miss Spencer; Contemporary French Literature (concluded), by Elie Reclus; The Unfortunate Traveller, by Thomas Nash, and Gold, then fast enough to supply the bookbinder, and to be handed to other purchasers, and to be handed to others. Illustrations.

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