IN THE SOUDAN.

The Weird Realm of Wilderness Through Which General Gordon Made His Famous March.

A correspondent of the London Tele-To any person studying a good map of the Soudan, its maze of road and river presents a puzzling confusion. Most of these roads, threading their way through the half-explored regions lying to the south and west, condown the traffic of the great twin rivers routes to the outer world, namely: Down | razeed to the ground by the Egyptians. the river to Berber, and thence by caravan to Suakim, on the Red sea coast, or following the river still further to Abu Ahmed, thence crossing the Atmoor desert to Korosko, and so down the Nile to Cairo. I have before now traveled this latter route, starting from Korosko, and so traversing much of the intervening districts to Khartoum. Virtually there are two routes lying south from Korosko. The first follows, now by boat and now by camel, the river's winding course; the shorter route goes across the thirsty desert at Atmoor. But practically the former is little used, the many rapids interrupting the river's course, and the length of time required for making the journey limited the number of travelers to an occasional Darfur or Bedaween caravan. The most direct southerly route lies across the desert from Korosko, at the knee formed by the Nile. between Assouan and Wady Halfa, to Abu Ahmed, at the corresponding bend. 250 miles further south. Korosko itself is but a poor-looking collection of mud huts, clustering together in two or three batches, amid a wide arena of dust and sand, and borrowing what animation it has from the constant starting and arriving of its caravans. Yet it is not unpicturesque, and flanked by the luxurious rampart of the south, shows a wonderful contrast of colors. The tall aand-swept hills of its desert

hem it in on all sides and extend to the north in endless waves of rock and valley, like some ocean petrified in a storm wind. Through this trails the route to Khartoum, winding its dreary length among a succession of bleak gorges whose ledges and valleys glitter with the wind-silted sand, while above and around the glare of the sun is reflected from the glistening rocks. A weird realm of dreariness it is, forming a fit home for solitude and monotony. Here and there in the deeper valleys some sickly doom-palm or dwarfed mimosa struggles for existence among the surrounding sterility, but the desert-grass grows in sufficient quantities to support a few gazelles and mountain hares. Yet most organic life shuns this vale of desolation. The passage through its arid waste may be accomplished by ordinary travelers in ten days, during which time water has to be carried in skins, since the few wells met with on the road yield the most unpalatable of liquids. Even this, nevertheless, is sometimes preferable to the carried water, which, with the sun, the shaking and the keeping in skins, become unfit for any but the direst necessity. Beside the few wells that are passed one may frequently come upon small encampments of the Ababdeh Arabs, whose habit of always carrying arms and the fethis Nubian desert and the safe escort of country. the caravans passing them. The track is marked out by countless carcasses of camels prevented by the dry heat from decaying, and now and again by the rude stone-heaped grave of their drivers buried in the wild fastness of sand and rock.

The mirage is almost continual, the horizon wearing the garb of sea and lake; mountains far beyond the limit of vision reversing themselves in the air as if standing on their summits, or taking fantastic shapes and forms. It is related how an Egyptian regiment, passing this route not many years ago, was almost annihilated from this cause in its torrid circle. Deceived by the mirage, on all sides presenting to the eye lakes of transparent water, the men, maddened by thirst, could no longer be restrained, and, notwithstanding the protestations of their guide, broke from their ranks in eager quest of a draught, to discover too late the fatal illusion, for most of them perished with thirst. Glad is the weary and heat-oppressed traveler when, emerging from the sandy plains and rifts of the Korosko desert, he sights the palms of Abu Ahmed. With little sorrow does he hurry to exchange the monotonous gray and yellow tints of his late experiences, the heat, thirst, and inexpressible torture of keeping awake when perched on the camel's hump, for the foliage and peace of Abu Ahmed.

From this village-for it is nothing more than a village, although important as the terminus of the Atmoor wilderness route-we discard the "ship of the desert " for the native boat, or " nugga,' of the river. At the best this is but a poor sort of craft, mudbesmeared and generally cranky, with a crew of perhaps four men; yet after suffering the uneasy jogging of camels it is comfort in comparison and has the further advantage of an upper deck, which lends some protection from the blazing heat.

On the course of the river above Abu

Ahmed the most important station is the town of Berber, on the right bank, twenty miles above, which is the confluence of the Atbara, the most northerly porous banks and thirsty sands, pours into the sea a larger apparent vol-

After passing the town the river to under oath.

scenery grows flat and uninteresting, and its breadth much broken and interspersed with sand banks and mud flats, A TIMELY DESCRIPTION OF SCENES On many of these islets may be seen swarms of aquatic birds, dressed in their bright eastern plumage, which, at the 'nugga's', too near approach, break up their meditative parliament with a babel of noise and wings. Crocodiles and hippopotami, too, which have hitherto been more or less rare, become quite common. For more than a hundred miles this low-lying scenery continues, until our "nugga" moors by the banks of Shendy, through which pass all the caravans of Sennaar, Darfour and Korverge on Khartoum, to which also rolls dofan, on their road to Suakim and the Red sen. Shendy is also renowned as Bahr-el-Abiad or White Nile, and the the place where Ismail Pasha, the son of Bahr-el-Azrak or Blue Nile. From that the great Mchemet Ali, was assassinated center a constant trade finds two main in 1821, and the town was, in reprisal,

Entombed Alive.

The popular horror and fear of being buried while in a trance state has within a recent period, says the Chicago Inter-Ocean, received a fresh spur by two well attested instances, in one of which the awful mistake was made, and in the other the person seemingly dead recovered at the moment the lid was about to be screwed on the coffin in which she lay dressed for the grave. The latter case occurred in Wisconsin, and its details are yet fresh in the minds of the newspaperreading public. The other case, was that of a woman in a small Ohio town. Her body, on the grave being opened some days after the burial, was found with the limbs twisted and contorted, the hair torn out, and the imprint of her awful struggles for life left upon her distorted features. The imagination of the most powerful writer could add little to the horror of the brief telegraphic account, or make its realization clearer to the public mind.

The phenomena of prolonged suspension of animation in human beings is with reference to its cause, a puzzle to pathologists. Medical books abound with instances of involuntary and voluntary suspension of the faculties, in which palm groves of the river and the desert state, in many of the cases mentioned, all signs of life are wanting. The patient's body is cold and rigid, the eyes filmy. Mention is made of very severe tests to determine whether the mysterious vital spark was yet remaining, being without effect. That many persons have been buried in this state there is little doubt. Bruhler, one writer on medicine, has collected 180 well authenticated cases of persons treated as dead who were living. Of these fifty-two were buried alive, four reached the dissecting-table and revived on being placed in their coffins, and seventy-two awoke from an apparent death.

These cheerful figures are met by the opinion of some of the highest living authorities that whether a person is really dead, or in a state closely resembling it, may be demonstrated by any skilled physician. Various methods are given, the simplest and surest of which consists in keeping the body until decomposition appears.

In certain parts of Germany the widespread fear of being entombed alive has caused the establishment of houses provided with means of determining whether life has flown. The body is laid upon a bier; a cord, connected with an exquisitely hung bell, is attached to its wrist. The slightest movement of the arm is sufficient to set the bell clanging, bringing the guard to aid in every way known to science the struggle back to life.

The German institution is undoubtedrecions-looking fashion of doing the hair Iv a relic of laws enacted by the Romans, up with long ebony and ivory skewers who derived them from the Greeks, and give them a most alarming aspect. To who carried them among the Teutons their charge is intrusted the defiles of when they overran and conquered the

Old-Fashioned Mothers.

Thank God, some of us have old-fashioned mothers, says an exchange. Not a woman of the period, enameled and painted, with her great chignon, her curls and bustle, whose white, jeweled hands never felt the clasp of baby fingers; but a dear, old-fashioned, sweet-voiced mother, with eyes in whose clear depths the love-light shone, and brown hair just threaded with silver, lying smooth upon her faded cheek. Those dear hands, worn with toil, gently guided our tottering steps in childhood, and smoothed our pillow in sickness, or reaching out to us in yearning tenderness. Blessed is the memory of an old-fashioned mother. It floats to us now, like the beautiful perfume from some wooded blossoms. The music of other voices may be lost, but the entrancing memory of hers will echo in our souls forever. Other faces may fade away and be forgotten, but hers will shine on. When in the fitful pause of business life our feet wander back to the old homestead, and, crossing the well-worn threshold, stand once more in the room so hallowed by her presence, how the feeling of childhood, innocence and dependence comes over us, and we kneel down in the molten sunshine, streaming through the open window-just where long years ago we kuelt by our mother's knee, lisping, "Our Father." How many times, when the tempter lured us on, has memory of those sacred hours, that mother's words, her faith and prayers, saved us from plunging into the deep abyss of sin. have filled great drifts between her and us, but they have not hidden from our sight the glory of her pure, unselfish love.

A Great Cow.

The Jersey cow, Princess II., No. 8,046, owned by S. M. Shoemaker, of Baltimore, has recently completed the largest test of butter for the period of one week that has ever been recorded. of the tributary rivers from Abyssinia. The cow gave birth to a calf late in De-From this point northward for 1,500 cember last, and her milk immediately miles not a rivulet swells the stream, showed signs of superior richness. For During that long course it is exposed to three weeks she produced twenty-six the evaporation of a burning sun, drawn pounds of butter a week, the record beoff into a thousand canals, absorbed ing made under the careful supervision of members of Mr. Shoemaker's family. drunk by every living thing, yet the Nile For the fourth week the services of J. V. N. Willis, of Marlboro, N. J., the wellume than it displays between the cata- known expert, were secured, and the cow racts a thousand miles away. Berber, was placed in his charge. Her appetite although decidedly unattractive as viewed | was stimulated by walking exercise, and from the river, presents a very pretty she was milked three times a day. The front when approached by land. Its yield of milk was about twenty-three bright gardens and follage peeping out quarts in twenty-four hours, and the total from among the mud huts and white amount of well-worked butter, salted one houses of its richer inhabitants, give it a ounce to the pound, which she produced welcome look of contrast in the surround- in the week, was twenty-seven pounds and ten ounces. The facts are certified

NEWS AND NOTES FOR WOMEN.

The downy marabout feathers are in demand.

A great many dressy tollets have their basques to lace instead of buttoned. Three great-great-grandchildren belong to Mrs. Sally Packard, of Plainfield, Mas-

sachusetts. Cotton satines in floral patterns have again appeared and are used with combi-

nation suits. Chantilly taffeta is the name of a new stuff which has a bright ground with lace-like figures embroidered upon it.

It is intended to simulate silk veiled eighths of a yard wide are

worn on the spring bonnets and tied under the chin. Fashionable young ladies must have

photographs of their pet cats to be up to the times nowadays. Women will now be admitted to Ox-

ford college and be allowed the same educational privileges as men. As a flounce trimming lace is in special

favor this season, silks of both light and dark shades are trimmed with it. For making jabots the Valenciennes lace is the prettiest. There is no lace

that falls as soft and becoming as this. Gold and silver veil pins are something new for the ladies. They are long and siender and some have precious stones in

them. New fans are coming in smaller, and painted sprays of small flowers cover the entire fan, and some extend over the

China crape is both embroidered and printed this summer, the embroidery being done in black, and the printing in gay colors.

For both boys and girls black stockings are worn and preferred, though plain solid colors to match the dress are still fashionable.

A wealthy widow has completed and handed over to trustees, an admirably appointed home for aged gentlewomen, Sacramento, Cal., which cost her

Mrs. Marilla Ricker, recently appointed an examiner in chancery and United States commissioner at Washington, is said to be the first woman ever appointed to that office.

Mixed materials are very common among the new goods. Some are woven in single thread stripes running lengthwise, and others have stripes running across the piece. Ludy Wolseley, formerly Miss Mur-

phy, of San Francisco, at the recent peasant festival" in London, sold popcorn and gave no change. Her "peas ant dress" is said to have been the most magnificent ever heard or dreamed of.

Irish poplin is likely to be once more fashionable in England, and her interest in its manufacture is again instanced by the action of Queen Victoria, who selected this material for the bridal dress of her granddaughter, the Princess Victoria of Hesse.

The new walking jackets are very short, and seem longer in front than at the back because the puif set below the waist, raises the back slightly. The collar is high and straight, the buttons small, the shoulder seams short, and the sleeves full at the top. The trimming is braid, which may be arranged either in rows or in figures.

The arrangement of the coiffure makes or mars the face; therefore, to dress the hair becomingly is an important matter. Women with round faces and of medium height in nine cases out of ten will find that massing the hair high on the head adds apparent length to the face and height to the figure. It also improves the general contour of the head. On the other hand, a sharp, regular profile has its attractiveness enhanced by a coil twisted low on the neck. Occasionally there is a woman possessed with a naturally well-shaped head and oval face with regular features who may brave any fashion without fear of depreciating her loveliness, but these beauties are rare and every woman had better test the becomingness of a new arrangement of coiffure in the privacy of her own boudoir before parading in puolic.

A Leap-Year Episode.

The Washington correspondent of the Philadelphia Call says; Society, as a sort of jest, has decreed that any young man who refuses a leap-year proposal from a lady is in honor bound to present her with a new silk dress. There are a number of "old maids" in town who have already accumulated enough silk dresses to stock a dry goods warehouse. But that is not what I desired to say, One day last week a young man in society here paid a visit to a young lady friend. They were not engaged, but he had given ample evidence that he would like to be if he could only muster up sufficient

He had been fooling along on the outside edges of an engagement for six months or more, and the lady began to grow anxious. It was one of those cases where both parties floundered around in the sweet meshes of love, without ever coming to an open understanding. the evening in question the lady, half in jest and wholly in earnest, proposed to him. He said that silks were unusually high priced, and that if she would be married at once he would accept. Much to his surprise, she did accept, and the couple visited the parsonage of a neighboring clergyman, where the bride pro-duced the license, showing that her determination was not a sudden freak of fancy, and the pair were made man and wife.

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It is well known to everyone conversant

It is well known to everyone conversant with the history of that time that certain home compounds of strengthening qualities were used almost universally by those pioneers. The unlarial evils and exposures to which they were subjected necessitated this. When their bodies become chilled by cold or debilitated by the damp mists of a new coundebilitated by the damp mists of a new country they were forced to counteract it by the use of antidotes. Medicines were few in those days, and doctors almost unknown. Hence the preparations above referred to. From among the number, all of which were compounded upon the same general principle, one was found to be more efficient and hence for more requires them. hence far more popular than all the rest. It was well known through the Middle and Western States, and was acknowledged as the best preparation for malarial disorders and general debility then known. The recipe for compounding this valuable article was handed down from one valuable article was handed down from one family and generation to another, was known to the Harrison family, and is used as the basis and general formula for the present "Tippecance," the name being suggested by the battle in which General Harrison was engaged. The manufacturers have thoroughly investigated this subject in its minutest details, and are certain that for malassimilation of food, dyspepsia, tired feelings, general debility, prostrations, malarial disorders and humors in the blood, nothing can exceed in value "Tippecance," which was the medicine of our forefathers and seems destined to be the most popular and seems destined to be the most popular

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