

THE STORY

CALLING THE CAMELS HOME.

It was a very dark night when Halid, a bullah arrived with his nine camels at the lonely Zooli Leary post on the road to Dera Ismail Khan.

On the afternoon of the day that was to end Bakhtawar's life an old man came into the post. He was Bakhtawar's father, Gray, broken-toothed, scurs on his face and arms from countless lights, he looked like a grizzled old bear.

Another 300 yards. A camel's leading rope breaks and the jaded brute stands still. A yell of joy from the pursuers. A couple of shots from the Waziris.

It is a Subterranean City. It is generally believed that human beings cannot flourish in fact, can hardly support existence—without an ample supply of fresh air and sunlight.

The point at which they appeared showed that they had changed their route a little, and that by a daring dash across a difficult and little used track the pursuers had crept deep into the plain of the ravine before or at the same time as the Waziris.

TO BE WORN BUT ONCE.

The Empress of Russia's \$200,000 Coronation Robe. A fifth of a million of dollars for a dress to be worn only once. Just think of it! That amount of money invested at 6 per cent. would bring in a tidy little income of \$12,000 a year of \$1,000 a month.

The men so suddenly released from death evinced no feelings of any sort. The only sign of relief they gave was a ready acquiescence in the confiscation of their arms and the handcuffing of all four Mabeuds till next day, when they were escorted across the river and set free.

THE RUSSIAN EMPRESS' \$200,000 CORONATION ROBE.

THE ROSE. Facts Concerning the Origin of One of Our Sweetest Flowers. Some indication of the origin of the rose, both in time and in country, is probably given in its name.

KING OF BUGS. There is One in Venezuela that Can Knock a Man Down. Venezuela is a little republic, but she has one thing that is the biggest of its kind on earth.

THE ELEPHANT BEETLE. so that we know to-day just what these insects of antiquity looked like. In Europe giant beetles have a considerable market value, commensurate in proportion to their size.

THE SCOTCH HOGMANAY. If you want to make a Scotchman's blood tingle, pronounce, if you can, that outlandish word "Hogmanay." If one attempt to chase this philological freak through dictionaries and lexicons the last state of that man is worse than the first. That was madman Ben, but

The Cream of Current Events.

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The Eminent Divine's Sunday Sermon.

Subject: "Christ's Exile." "Text: 'And the king went forth and far off a place which was far off.'—Isaiah 45: 1, 2.

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