

ANCIENT HISTORY

A Mere Glance at the Early History of Egypt Discloses the Fact That it is a Great Storehouse.

PEOPLE ARE RATHER SLOW

Egypt is Rich in Biblical History and a Sample or Two is Given—The First Ruler—A Wonderful Palace—Egyptians Appear to Have Performed Incredible Things—The Pyramids and Other Ancient Works—God Appeared in Person to Moses and Stood Upon Egyptian Soil.

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The ancient history of Egypt dates far back into the real old history of the world and is therefore of more than ordinary importance. An' to tell the truth, about hit, the natives of Egypt air still livin' in the ancient past. For many years the people of that country made fair progress an' some claim that they forged ahead of most countries for quite a period. But they got so far an' then slipped back when any motion wuz noticeable at awl.

Egypt wuz not the birthplace of awl of the sciences. But hit wuz the protector of most of the sciences, an' her people began to use them freely at an early period. Her people are now, an' always hev bin, ahead of such countries as Africa. When Biblical history wuz makin', Egypt wuz rite up at the front an' that country gets much notice at the hands of the inspired Sacred writers while some of the now great countries, such as England, America, etc., seem to hev been unknown in that day. Like China, Egypt claims more than she can prove, but she wuz, an' still iz, a wonderful country. Egypt wuz an independent empire up to a few years ago. She made a mistake an' went to war with England. Hit lasted just long enuff for England to get a few warships an' a few thousand soldiers there. Now the English flag floats over awl public builidin' in Egypt.

Menes wuz the first ruler of Egypt. What they did without a King up to that time will awlays be a mystery, for hit iz reasonably certain that Egypt had been inhabited since the creation an' equally certain that Menes did not live until a much later date. Sir Isaac Newton, the great historian, claims that Menes founded an' built the city of Memphis. But this must hev bin a mistake for that city wuz not mentioned by Homer. He described Thebes as the metropolis of Egypt. Norden thought that Memphis wuz built, in part, from the ruins of Thebes, but that supposition wuz not based upon any facts.

Osymandis iz supposed to hev bin the second King of Egypt. Hit iz claimed that he still occupied the throne when Thebes wuz at the top as one of the great ancient cities. His palace, hit iz claimed, wuz a thing of great beauty.

Hit iz a well known fact that some of the stones used in builidin' the pyramids in Egypt an' some of the great stone columns in builidin', awl of which air still visible, were hewn out more than four hundred miles from their present location. As some of them weigh hundreds of tons, the mystery iz, how did the ancient Egyptians transport them such a great distance, for the pyramids stand upon the sandy banks of the river Nile an' there air no quarries in hundreds of miles. Competent engineers an' mechanics hev measured an' estimated the weight of these great blocks of solid granite an' they claim that we now hev no machinery capable of handlin' the great stones, to say nothin' of hauling them hundreds of miles. No ship would bear their weight an' no railroad flat-car, even if railroads had been in existence then, would hev borne such a weight. How did they move the stones five or six hundred miles? The ancient Egyptians must hev known a few things. Near the palace of Osymandis stands three great stone statues each representing the figure of a man, probably King Osymandis, an' they air so heavy that no mortal man now livin' can figger out a plan to move them even a few yards. But the Egyptians brought them not less than six hundred miles probably three or four thousands of years ago.

In the old palace once occupied by King Osymandis, an' which iz still in a gude state of preservation, for hit wuz wonderfully built, can be seen curious works of art, an' specimens of sculpturing which make the sculptors and mechanics of this age turn green with envy an' jealousy, for though they air now considered more up-to-date in most respects, an' hev better tools, they can't equal the work of the ancient Egyptians in that particular line. With nothin' but a chisel an' mallet these ancient workmen made vast pictures in marble an' granite portraying important historical events, an' though the number of workmen may hev bin great, hit probably required hundreds of years to complete some of these works of art, an' the builidin' may not hev bin fully completed until long after the King wuz dead an' generations far

removed from the one in which the King lived gazed upon the costly an' splendid palace an' helped toll to pay for hit, for such palaces cum high. But the lumber trust did not hev a chance to declare an extra dividend, for perishable builidin' material wuz not used in such edifices. But people will open the door for extravagance, and while they do not build such vast edifices for the President or the modern King to live in, national pride says the capital and other public builidin's must be somethin' worth while, an' so the expenditures along that line fully equal the outlay for kingly palaces in ancient days. But who really cares for a few cents per capita paid by the inhabitants of the United States to defray the cost of the Capitol at Washington? The Egyptian sculptors chisled many of the important happenings in that country prior to the time the palace wuz built, therefore the beautiful work hez a value far beyond mere beauty, an' countless thousands can admire, though they cannot awl comprehend the historical value of the art in marble an' stone.

Egypt iz rich in Biblical history. Moses wuz born near the river Nile, an' hit wuz in the bull-rushes growin' upon the banks of that river that the child wuz hidden an' later found by the daughter of King Pharaoh. The mother of Moses had made a little ark or boat among the rank weeds about the edge of the water an' for three months she kept her baby there in a tiny boat. As iz well known, Moses became one of the great an' good men, and wuz known as the "meekest man." Durin' his life-time Moses wuz selected by the Almighty to lead the children of Israel out of Egypt to a land where they could dwell in peace an' safety, an' he did lead them. If you will read a portion of the fourth chapter of Exodus you will learn that the Almighty Himself appeared in person before Moses, actually stood upon the fertile soil of Egypt an' gave Moses instruction as to how to lead the children of Israel out of Egypt to a land of plenty, "a land flowing with milk and honey." Of course there is nothin' impossible with God. But this wuz somethin' far out of the ordinary, the fact that he actually stood face to face with a man upon this earth, talked with him an' gave minute instruction as to how to accomplish the wonderful undertakin' of releasin' a whole nation from slavery an' leadin' the people away from their masters to a land of freedom an' plenty. If nothin' else of interest had occurred durin' the makin' of the ancient history of Egypt this event alone would hev, an' did cause, Egypt to hev a richer ancient history than any country in the world.

Pharaoh's daughter called the child Moses "because I drew him out of the water," to use her own exact language. When God appeared an' talked with Moses, that worthy man probably lost hiz head for a short time. He told the Almighty that he would not be able to convince the children of Israel that he had been selected to lead them to a better land—and seemed to forget that the Almighty had unlimited power. Then the Almighty told Moses that the King of Egypt would be very angry an' would be unwilling for him to lead the children of Israel out of Egypt an' said that He would visit plagues upon the country as a punishment. Moses had a walkin' staff in hiz hand an' the Almighty told him to cast the staff upon the ground. He did so, and the staff immediately became a serpent an' Moses wuz so astonished that he again forgot that he wuz talkin' with the Almighty "an' hez fled from before it." Then the Almighty said to Moses: "Put forth thy hand, an' take it by the tail." Moses then caught the serpent by the tail an' hit became a rod in hiz hand, bein' no longer a fierce wriggin' serpent. In a twinklin' of an eye the Almighty had changed a snake into a wonderful walkin' cane which Moses wuz to carry durin' the long march leadin' the Israelites to a land where they would no longer be the slaves of the cruel and wicked Egyptians.

A moment later the Almighty directed Moses to put hiz hand in his bosom. Moses did so, an' when he withdrew hiz hand from his bosom "Behold, his hand was leprous (white) as snow." The Almighty had caused Moses to contract that terrible disease in a single instant as further proof to Moses that he was really talkin' with the Almighty. In a few moments the Almighty directed Moses to place the diseased hand in his bosom. He did so, an' when Moses withdrew hiz hand hit wuz cured of the leprous and the skin an' flesh wuz just like hit wuz before the Almighty caused hit to become diseased.

Then the Almighty told Moses that if the Israelites still doubted that he wuz to be their leader, for they had been in slavery so long an' bad treatment had probably caused them to lose both faith an' hope, that he (Moses) should as a third proof to the people, go down to the river "and take of the water of the river, and pour it upon the dry land; and the river shall become blood upon the dry land."

But Moses had been dealin' with the Egyptian rulers an' politicians, who were built like some of our North Carolina politicians, an' he began to feel weak about the knees again, an', like awl of we poor mortals, he wuz forgetful enuff to cause

him to lose sight of the wonderful fact that he wuz then talkin' face to face with the Almighty an' that the Almighty had selected him as a leader for the most important task that had ever been allotted to any mortal man. But most men would forget a good deal an' act rather silly under like circumstances, for Moses wuz havin' a most wonderful experience—Moses made another effort to crawl when he said: "O, my Lord, I am not eloquent neither heretofore, nor since thou hast spoken unto thy servant; but I am slow of speech, an' of a slow tongue." The answer given to that by the Almighty wuz in the form of a question, as follows: "Who hath made man's mouth? Or, who maketh the dumb, or deaf, or the seeing, or the blind? have not I the Lord?"

"Now therefore go, and I will be with thy mouth, and teach thee what thou shalt say."

Then Moses said: "O my Lord, send, I pray thee, by the hand of him whom thou wilt send."

An' the anger of the Lord was kindled against Moses, an' He said, "Is not Aaron the Levite thy brother? I know that he can speak well." Moses then agreed to go provided, Aaron accompany him.

Moses wuz a great an' a gude man. Hit iz quite likely that hiz hesitation wuz due rather to modesty than to stubbornness. An' the patience exhibited by the Almighty in this case wuz only a fair sample of hiz wonderful forbearance with the sins an' mistakes committed by awl of us, for the Almighty iz boundless in mercy an' can weigh an' measure the errors of mankind, or millions of sinners, without a single mistake.

I hev only given a mere glance at the ancient history of Egypt, an' more will follow. But I believe that even now you are ready to agree that Egypt iz vastly rich in real ancient history, a history that will never become out of date, never lose interest. As ever, ZEKE BILKINS. (To be continued.)

Judges Not Over-Worked—No Need for Extra Ones. Statesville Landmark.]

Copying what The Landmark had to say about the bill requiring Superior Court judges to give an account of their time, their pay to be gauged accordingly, the Concord Tribune says: It is full time that this bill or a similar one should be placed on the statute books. If this is done it will be unnecessary to increase the number of judges, as sixteen judges can do all the work and have plenty of time to spare. The fact of the business is, the way some judges run the courts is open to severe criticism. There are cases on the calendar of nearly every county that are hoary with age, and this is often caused by the laziness of the judge or by the fact that he lets the lawyers run the court instead of running it himself. To increase the number of judges under the present arrangement would be little short of a public outrage.

The Landmark does not believe that an increase in the number of regular judges is necessary. One or more emergency judges, who would be called into service only when regular judges were not available, and to be paid only for actual services rendered, might be provided. But this would have to be safe guarded to prevent the shirkers on the Superior Court bench dodging enough work to keep the emergency men regularly employed. Further on the point of the time-checking idea, it would be wise to provide that the amount of time each judge renders to the State Auditor, and the reasons for the loss of time, be published. This would expose the time-beating judges and the people could get rid of them.

A Number of Robberies Committed in and Near Apex.

A special from Apex to yesterday's News and Observer tells of a number of robberies in that section. The special says:

"Two burglars entered a store here Saturday night and stole about \$25 worth of clothing. Access to the building was gained by breaking out the glass in one of the windows. Mr. B. H. Pate passed the store in time to see two men leap out the window with their booty. He fired several shots at them, but to no avail. Upon reaching his home, Mr. Pate discovered a fire in his barn lot. Investigation showed that the barn had been ransacked, the stock of cattle all turned loose, and the litter in the lot fired.

"Unknown parties also visited the homes of Messrs. H. J. Mills and William Williams, near here, Saturday night. At Mr. Mills' they cut down seventy-two cabbages, "shot-up" his mail-box, his well, and did much damage to other property. At Mr. Williams' they shot out about twenty window glasses and almost tore down a porch to his house.

"Mr. Jack Lynch, who lives in this vicinity, lost a large number of chickens Saturday night. This morning he had a warrant issued for the arrest of his brother, Henry Lynch, and also for Larry Ellis, charged with the offense."

Now is the time to plant your tomato, beet, and other seeds so as to have them early. It is safer to plant them in a bed and cover them with thin cloth until the danger of frost has passed. The Woolcott Dry Goods Company has a large quantity of this cloth which they are selling cheap.

LEWIS WEST CAPTURED

The Outlaw Was Arrested at Maxton Friday Night.

Was Brought to Raleigh Saturday and Placed in the Penitentiary for Safe-Keeping—Dave Young, Another of the Gang, Arrested Monday at Rocky Mount.

Lewis West, the outlaw, who is charged with the murder of Deputy Sheriff Mumford, of Wilson, and seriously wounding Chief-of-Police Glover, was arrested at Maxton Friday night, after a search of many days, and was brought to Raleigh Saturday morning and placed in the penitentiary for safe-keeping. The prisoner was in the custody of Chief-of-Police N. H. Dunlap, of Maxton, and a posse of nine guards.

He has been identified and now admits his identity. When he was captured at Maxton by Chief Dunlap Friday night he was one of the most heavily armed negroes on record, having on his person nine revolvers and a quart of cartridges, besides knives and other weapons.

Not only has West been identified by officers of both Fayetteville and Wilson, but he has confessed quite fully, except that he insists that he does not know that he fired the fatal shots. He says five other negroes, their names being given, and three of them already in custody, were in the house shooting. When confronted by Policeman Hall of Fayetteville, A. L. Mansfield, J. McD. Monaghan, and others, he knew well, he threw up his hands and said: "Oh, well Mr. Monaghan, it is all up with me." He has made a lengthy confession to the officers that they are withholding in a large part until all negroes implicated are arrested. He says he is a member of an organized band of thieves, and gives the details as to this. He has two wounds, one in the chest and the other in the leg, neither serious. He claims to have had nothing to eat for three days when he was taken in the Maxton restaurant by Chief Dunlap. Others he implicates in the shooting are Dave Young, Wade Williams, Matthew Mebane and Ed. Wilson, all except Young being already in custody.

Last of Gang Arrested. Rocky Mount, N. C., Feb. 12.—Dave Young, last of the three outlawed negroes wanted in connection with the murder of Deputy Sheriff Mumford and shooting of Chief-of-Police Glover at Wilson, was taken by police here this morning, and confessed that he is the negro. He has an intimate knowledge of the crime that he has recited to the police, but emphatically denies that he was in the house at the time of the shooting. That it occurred at the home of his mother he learned late in the afternoon, when he was informed that West had stated that he was with him at the time of the shooting. Young stated that this was untrue, and that he will be able to establish an alibi.

The fact that he was here became first known to the police when there were discovered a number of pistols of similar make to those stolen from the Dunn Hardware Company that were being sold among colored people. They were being sold through a colored woman who evidently is a confederate of the gang. The Wilson authorities have been notified and the negro will be taken back to Wilson Monday.

Buying Democratic Favor and Indulgence. When the Tobacco Trust bought the North Carolina bonds it thought it would buy enough favor to secure license to continue to rob the people. Did it do so? Or are the people going to rule?—Raleigh News and Observer.

That depends. The people elect a Legislature to represent them. The Democrats control the Legislature. "By their works ye shall know them."—Union Republican.

Toothless and Also Gambler. It is now seriously contended that the so-called anti-trust law has teeth. It would take a magnifying glass to enable the best dentist to even find the gums.—Raleigh News and Observer.

The News and Observer should not complain. It is recognized as the organ of the Democratic party in this State and the Democrats control the Legislature. The toothless gums of this anti-trust law can be filled with teeth, sharp as needles. Will it be done? With the bond issue probable, the chances for such legislation are exceedingly doubtful.—Union Republican.

"IT IS SMALL BUSINESS." "What Business Has the Legislature Appointing Magistrates," Anyway? The very first day the Legislature was in session a bill to appoint somebody a magistrate made its appearance. It is measures of this sort that put the State's law-making body in an absurd light. What business has the Legislature appointing magistrates? If somebody has to appoint them, and the necessity for such appointments are rare, give the appointing power to the local author-

ities or to the resident judge of the Superior Court. It is small business for the time of the Legislature to be taken up appointing magistrates.—The Lanmark.

We are awful glad the Landmark said that. We have seen them appoint men that it seemed to us that could not have been elected for anything if nobody was running against them. Yes, "It is small business." But small folks have to do small things, you know.—Lincoln Times.

Holton's Confirmation. Lincoln Times.]

We are glad to hear that the appointment of Mr. A. E. Holton to succeed himself as District Attorney has been confirmed.

No better man could have been chosen. He is capable, has had experience and has enforced the law impartially and without fear or favor. He was opposed by Mr. Duncan, the liquor men and Joe Daniels. We feel sorry for the News and Observer. It has an easy time to run the prohibitionists in the State, but when it fails to further the liquor element in the State, we feel sorry for the hydra-headed thing.

Bill Against Cigarettes Meets an Unceremonious Death. The McPhaul bill, to prohibit the sale of cigarettes in North Carolina, was on Tuesday given an unfavorable report by the Committee on Health of the House. The vote was 7 to 4. Mr. McPhaul says that a minority report will be made.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.—Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup should always be used for Children's Teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, always all pain cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for Diarrhoea. See a bottle.

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