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BABOONS AND TIGER.

Evidence of the baboons loyalty to a comrade and courage in the face of the tiger, the most dreaded animal of the South African veldt, is given by Sir Percy Fitzpatrick, the explorer, in his "Jock of the Bushveldt." As Sir Percys party was passing along a ridge, its attention was called to a troop of baboons in the ravine below.

The baboons had evidently been quite close to us, writes the explore.. On being warned by their sentry, they had stolen quietly away, and were then disappearing into the timbered depths of the ravine. We sat still to watch them come out on the opposite side a few minutes later and clamber up the rocky face, for they were always worth watching: but while we wat ched, the stillness was broken by an agon ized scream, -horribly human in its ex pression of terror,-followed by roars, barks, bellows and screams from scores of voices in every key: and the crackle of breaking sticks and the rattle of stones added to the medley of sound as the ba boons raced out of the wood and up the bare rocky slope.

The cries from below seemed to waken the whole mountain; great booming Waughs!' came from the different places far apart and ever so high up the face of the berg; each big roar seemed to act like a trumpet call and bringforth a multitude of others; the air rang with bewildering shouts and echoes volleying round the kloofs and faces of the berg. The strange thing is that the baboons did not continue their terrified scramble up the mountain, but once in the brush, they turned and rallied. Forming an irregular semicircle they faced down the hill, thrusting their heads forward with sudden jerks as if to launch their cries with greater vehemence and feinting to charge, they showered loose earth, stones and debris of all sorts down with awkward underhand scrapes of their forepaws, and gradually but surely de scended to within a dezen yards of the edge of the bush.

"Baas, Baas, the tiger! Look, the tiger, there, there on the rock below!"

Jim shot the words out in vehement gusts, choky with excitement; and true enough, there the tiger was. The long spot ted body was crouched on a flat rock just below the baboons; he was broadside to us, with his fore quarters slightly raised, and his face turned toward the baboons: with wide opened mouth hesnarled savage ly at the advancing line, and with right paw raised made threatening dabs in their direction. His left paw pinned down the body of a baboon.

The voices from mountain boomed loud er and nearer to us; clattering and scram bling down the face came more and more baboons. There must have been hundreds of the the semicircle grew thicker and blacker more and more threatening, foot to side across the advancing front, and cherished institution.

then his nerve went, and with one spring he shot from the rock into the bush.

There was an instant forward rush of the half moon, and the rock was covered by roaring baboons, swarming over their rescued comrade; and a moment later the crowd scrambled up the slope again taking the tigers victim with them. In that se ething rabble I could pick out nothing; but all the Kafirs maintained that they could see the mauled one dragged along by its arms by two others, much as a child might be helped up-hill. The Youths th's Companion

A New Canadian Possibility

The refactory straw of the western flax crop is now burned as a useless encumbrance The slow processes of separating the fibre which is the raw material of linen industries would be too costly to warrant the utilizing of this by product. This fact lends special in terest to the claim of a Toronto inventor who is patenting a process by which he claims he can seperate the fibre from the stems in a day and can preserve it unbroken. By the pro cesses nowin use the stems or straw must be pulled and it requires a soaking and rotting, operations both slow and costly. to get rid of the waste material and separate the fibre. The product thus separated passes through several processes and reaches its final stages of usefulness as tow cordage or woven tabr ca

By the new process it is claimed that the fibre is not necessarily broken or mixed but can be kept straight as it lies in the straw. This is an advantage in addition to the sav ing of time and cost. While the pulling of the flax would give more fibre the new process it is claimed can be used profitably with straw that has been cut. There is in this in vention a propect of making the West a lin en producing country. The field of invent ion is strewn with many disappointments, and it would be unwise to pronounce on a process still largely a secret and untried on a commercial scale. But out of many disappointments the few successful inventions are continually transforming the aspect of all productive activities. The world is alive to the wealth still to come through the utilizing of waste products. There may be some fortunes in the straw of Canada's yearly crop of flax.-Toronto Globe,

The Obsolute Family Bible

(From Success Magazine.)

A Philadelphia publishing house that makes a speciality of the sacred book says the family Bible trade is languishing. The Bible continues to be the best seller, but it is no longer the immense volume that stood on the parlor centre table and contain es marvellous steel engravings of the tower of Babel and the fall of Nineveh and had room for all the family records. The thing now is a thin-paper student edition with flexible covers concordances and notes and all suited to the overcoat pocket. It hasn't room for any family history, but it can be introduced into a stingy city flat without crowding the family.

The passing of the family Bible is significant of an interesting change in the keep ing of vital statistics, Records of births, deaths and marriages have ceased to be a family and become a state function. It is The Youths Companion. none better and more completely than in the old days and the record are more useful by foot closer. The tiger raised himself a to the public. That fact need not prevent little more, and took swift looks from side our dropping a tear at the passing of an old

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A TREASURE FOUND IN EGYPT.

Experiences of all sorts in many lands, from the west of Ireland to the south of Africa, are described by Lady Elizabeth But ler From Sketch Book and Diary. In Egypt her household artist Ruffo, was a realist of a sort that must have been indeed startling.

Our majordomo, Ruffo, the European was with us on board. I must tell you of Ruffo. Such as bonest man in a country of much corruption! He did all my housekeeping and that zealously; but desiring sometime to con sult me about dinner his figurative way of purting things before me was a little trying.

Miladi would you like cutlets?" putting ribs or a leg? advancing that limb; or, for a very nice entree, brains? tapping his perspiring preaching the gospel."-The Youth's Companion forehead.

Oh no Ruffo never brains, please!

in the market and fly through the sitting rooms to me perhaps bearing like a gonfalon, a piece of beef, where good beef was so rare beef walking in the street."

He always smelled the meions on present ing them to me, to invite my attention to their ripeness.—The Youths Companion.

The Selection Of Timber

('Scientific American,' New York.)

Not very long ago, timber was selected en tirely according to its external appearance The diameter and length of the piece, the s raightness of grain, sometimes the weight sufficed to determine both its commerical value and its destination At that time, on account of the difficulty of transportation, woods of local origin were almost exclusive y employed. It is very different nowadays. With the increase in consumption and the decrease in the local production of wood, has become necessary to transport timber of every variety and of many places of origin. Furthermore, the diversified industries of the present day require a corresponding diversity in the wood employed. For one pur pose the important quality is hardness; for another, elasticity; for a third, ease of work ing, or resistance to attack by external agen cies. It is evident that very different quali ties are required for an umbrella handle, a barrel stave, a billiard cue a carriago frame etc. The hand magnifying glass which was first employed, has ceased to suffice for the exact determination of the structure of word. The compound microscope is now used for the minute and careful examination of long itudinal and transverse sections of a spec men of timber, the commercial value and the proper industrial employment of which it is desired to determine. Fine grain and thick walled cells as ure the solidity and resis tance which are required in carpentry and these qualities are incompatible with an abun dance of parenchymatous tissue, filled with

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Going Far A Field.

A Member of the American Bar Associat ion. leaving one of the meetings at Chatta nooga last summer met a colleague who ask ed him-if we may rely on the Chicago Leg al News-what was going on.

Judge Blank has been talking over an

On what subject? The judge didn't say."

This bit of dialogue is reminiscent of the briefer comment of a witty clergyman on his bishop's sermon, which was not only long, but had no obvious connection with his text.

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Alsace And Lorraine Forty years have passed since the Germans ook the province of Alsace and Lorraine rom France. In that period it has been treat ed as conquered territory, now it is to be given home rule. A legislature of two branches s to be created. In the upper house of thirtyx members half will be selected by the Emperor of Germany, the other half will con. i t of the heads of religious bodies, represen atives of boards of trade, universities, etc. The members of the lower house will be elect ed by the people, but there are many feat ures which seem peculiar to residents of Eng ish speaking countries. Every man over twenty five has a vote; every man over thirty five has two votes, and every man over forty five three votes. Three years, residence is re quired, a provision intended to operate again st the soci lists. In an elect on, when no candidate receives a majority of the votes ca t, a second election must take place, with all the candidates competing. In other Euro pean countries the candidate at the foot of the poll is dropped when there is a second election. Alsace Lorraine for many years bit terly opposed German rule, but lately the people have been better satisfied with the situation. France long looked forward to a war in which they would re conquer these provinces, but little is heard of that idea now Germany has grown immensely in population and military strength, while France has made little progress in either direction.—St John

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