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## New Kingdom of Arabia

"The announcement of the formation of the new kingdom of Arabia a few days ago failed to elicit in America the interest which the vast extent of territory involved would seem to warrant," according to a war geography bulletin issued by the United States National Geographic Society from its Washington headquarters.

"The area of the Arabian peninsula, including that region known as Arabia Petraea and the Syrian desert, is about equal to the area of all the United States east of the Mississippi River plus Texas," continues the bulletin, "and it extends through more than 21 degrees of latitude, so that it transposed to this continent its northern boundary would coincide with the northern parts of Arkansas, while its southern tip would reach far beyond the northern border of Nicaragua in Central America."

"Having a maximum length equal to the distance between Montreal and the southern extremity of Florida, and a maximum breadth corresponding to the air-line distance between New York city and Omaha, Neb., this great southwestern extremity of the continent of Asia is very sparsely settled, the estimates of its population varying more than 100 per cent. One authority places the number at 7,500,000, which is considered to be excessive, while an ultra-conservative figure is 2,500,000.

"Fully one-third of the Arabian peninsula is a waste of sand, the three most extensive of the barren regions

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being the great Nafud or Red Desert, the Syrian Desert and the Bahna Desert. And in addition to this wholly hopeless area there is a vast extent of territory where the supply of water is so sporadic that the land cannot support a settled population. The inhabitants are divided into two great classes—the nomadic Bedouins, who move from place to place as pasturage for their flocks of sheep and goats and their herds of horses and camels is exhausted, and the Fellahs, who follow agricultural pursuits in the small fertile areas and where wells and cisterns are relied upon to store up the rain water of the wet season.

While the early despatches from Mecca, the capital of the newly formed kingdom, were silent on the subject, it is probable that the Grand Sherif, Hussein Ben Ali, is building his hopes of empire chiefly on the three provinces of Hejaz, Asir and Yemen, which existed from the Sinai peninsula along the northeastern shore of the Red Sea to the British protectorate of Aden. In these provinces are the largest cities of the peninsula—Mecca, Jidda, Hodeida, Medina and Yamou. Both Hejaz and Yemen are vassal states of the Turkish empire and are governed by officials sent out from Constantinople. Asir is the home of a warlike, mountainous tribe, which has successfully opposed numerous attempts of the Turks to subjugate its members. Asir lies between Hejaz and Yemen, and its valleys are among the most fertile in Arabia.

"Several important political divisions of Arabia doubtless will be unmoledated by the Grand Sherif. Among these are the Siniatic peninsula, a dependency of Egypt, which extends into the Red Sea, between the Gulf of Akaba on the east; the British protectorate of Aden occupying the most southern extremity of Arabia and ex-

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tending along the Gulf of Aden, its area being about 9,000 square miles, and the independent state of Oman, with a coast line of nearly 1,000 miles along the Persian Gulf and the Gulf of Oman, and embracing an area of 82,000 square miles.

"The provinces of Hejaz and Yemen have a combined area about equal to the States of New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio and Indiana, but with a population scarcely exceeding a million, whereas the equivalent American area supports more than 24,000,000 inhabitants.

"In this restricted sections of Arabia, near the mountains, where the torrents bring down a sufficient supply of water, the soil yields abundant crops of wheat, barley, tobacco, sugar, indigo, cotton and coffee, while the date palm and the banana flourish luxuriantly. The flocks of sheep and goats, and the famous Arabian horses are the chief resources of the country, while from Oman comes the highly

prized Oman dromedaries, noted for their speed and strength. The mineral wealth of the new kingdom is somewhat doubtful, although iron, copper, basalt, lead coal and asphaltum are known to exist, while the precious stones include emeralds, onyx, carnelian and agate. The pearl fisheries of the Persian Gulf are among the richest in the world, and these waters also yield quantities of sponges.

"Travellers ascribe to the Arabs many virtues. They are a proud and earnest people, sharp-witted, courageous, temperate and hospitable, but when wronged are bloodthirsty and vengeful. One of their most striking characteristics is their great love for poetry. The children of the nomads, as well as the offspring of the fellahs, are early taught to read, write and calculate, as might be expected of the descendants of that race which gave us our Arabic numerals."

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Moral of this fish story is the value of anything depends on how it is used. A safety match used to light a beacon lamp and another match used to set fire to a city have widely separated ranks in the realm of utility. On the same principle of values the sawfish belongs near the bottom rank in the ocean kingdom.

His saw, the presence of which you may have guessed already, consists of a long, beaklike mouth decorated with many sharp, firm spines. It varies in length with the size of the fish, some monsters twenty feet long carrying saws six feet long and a foot wide.

A saw, like a match, varies in value according to the way it is used. That's where the sawfish makes a fizzle of life. Think how much good he could accomplish by using his saw on harbors choked up with weeds, channels blocked with logs and lagoons crowded with trees and undergrowth.

Instead of a carpenter, a road builder, a farmer, the sawfish becomes a butcher. He swishes his saw this way and that quite recklessly and cuts up smaller fish into steaks and sausage; then he eats the pieces.

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**THE OLD AND NEW.**  
Constanza, Roumanian Seaport, of Old-new Character.

Constanza, the important Roumanian seaport and fortress on the Black Sea, which has figured so prominently in the news of late, is one of those new-old towns that are so characteristic of the Balkans. The Balkans are, of course, replete with towns once famous. In ancient history that are, today, either little more than villages or have taken on a wonderful new development and are expanding, once more, into great and prosperous cities. The long 500 years of "Ottoman sleep" which fell upon most of these places in the thirteenth or fourteenth century, has now, for some time, been broken, and a general renaissance has for the last forty or fifty years, everywhere characterized the liberated countries.

By the treaty of Berlin, which obliged Roumania to accept the "wrecks of the Danube" and a recognition of her independence in exchange for that portion of Bessarabia ceded to her in 1856, she, of course, acquired possession of the ancient seaport of

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Constanza, the Kustendji of the Turkish days. With a commendable energy she set about making the best of her new possessions. Constanza was taken in hand with a will. Very large sums of money were freely expended on the harbor and docks; whilst the town itself was laid out with broad streets and adorned with beautiful buildings. It is a city of mosques and churches, for, in a population of some 27,000, which is more than double what it was some sixteen years ago, all manner of religions are represented. It is, indeed, a curiously polyglot city, and Turk and Greek, Roumanian and Bulgarian, the Jew and the Armenian, rub shoulders in the streets or on the quays; or, at any rate, so they did before the war.

In the matter of manufacture, Constanza devotes itself chiefly to the work of tanning and to the making of petroleum drums; but it is as a great port of transit that the town is particularly famous. Ever since the railway to Bucharest, which commences the passage of the Danube and its marshes at Tehernavoda, was completed, in 1895, Constanza has been growing in importance in this respect. Immense quantities of grain, in normal times, pass through the port, and it was until the outbreak of the war in 1914, the transfer point for the great overland journey to Constantinople and the Near East from London, Paris, Brussels, Berlin, Vienna and Budapest, and, indeed, from all over the continent. The service between Constanza

of a famous meeting between King Carol of Roumanian and the Czar of Russia.—Exchange.

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**LATEST FASHION TIPS.**

Ornaments of leaves, wreaths of fruit or flowers, quills, feathers, bows, embroidery, tinsel trimming and applique are the touches that Paris milliners have added to the spring hats.

With grace of line that defies description, the artistic combinations of color and the beautiful turns of the brims, a general effect is obtained that is well epitomized in the word "chic."

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Apparently the tassel can do no wrong in the great realm of fashion.

While many of the new coats rather fit, frocks are waistless.

Shirring and cordings are seen in many ways.

The beaded bag is ubiquitous.

"So you take an academic interest in Wall street?" "Yes." "And what sort of interest is that?" "Oh, the kind a man takes who has never had any money and never expects to have any."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

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and Constantinople was conducted by state-owned steamers, which included the fast mail and passenger boats in connection with the Ostend and Orient expresses.

Constanza occupies a site close to the ancient Tomi, at one time the chief city of the Euxine. It lies at the seaward end of the Great Wall of Trajan, and research goes to show that it was in ancient times a fortified town, and a place of no little importance. There are considerable remains of ancient masonry, walls, pillars and so on; whilst a number of inscriptions, found in the town itself and in the neighborhood, show that it was at Tomi that the poet Ovid spent those eight years of exile about which he complains so bitterly throughout the five books of the "Tristia."

In the fourth century Constantine the Great changed the name of the port of Constantiana in honor of his sister, and during the later Roman period, notably in the reign of Theodosius, the city passed through a period of great prosperity. It lay, however, too near the confines of the empire to be safe for very long, once the great decline set in, and it early passed under the control of the Bulgars, and later of the Turks. It was bombarded by the Russians in the war of 1812, and some seventeen years later was surrendered to the same power without any effort being made to defend it. Something over two years ago, only a few weeks before the outbreak of the war, Constanza was the scene

**How Did He Know.**  
They had been spooning a bit, and when she raised her face from his shoulder and they both observed the white streak on his coat, he patted her affectionately, and said:  
"Never mind, dearie, it will all brush off."  
At this the young thing began to sob. "Oh, Harry," she sobbed, "holding her head again on his shoulder, "how do you know?" Excessively's Magazine.

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**A WOMAN WHO DARED.**  
Boston Will Honor Memory of Anne Hutchinson.

Rome, which in the sixteenth century burned Giordano Bruno at the stake in the Campo di Fiori for heresy, in the nineteenth century reared a statue in his honor on the very spot where it had put him to death, and the space at the base of this statue is a place of frequent assembly, a sort of popular forum, for the Romans of to-day.

Boston is about to show that it can also exactly reverse its estimation of a proscribed citizen. There is now on hand a growing subscription for a

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public statue here of Ann Hutchinson, a woman whom Boston banished in 1637 for heresy and for that strange form of sedition which consisted of an attempt to undermine the influence of the ministry.

There is every reason to believe that the subscription will be a success, and a spirited model of the proposed statue is already in existence. An interesting circumstance, however, for there is not now in Boston a statue of a woman, although there are several which were made by women.

The city which banished Anne Hutchinson for her seditious preaching will not only honor her signally, but will honor her above all its other daughters above her exerts, such as Lydia Sigourney, Julia Ward Howe, or Lucy Larcom; her prose writers, such as Louisa M. Alcott, Sarah Orne Jewett, Lydia Maria Child and Mercy Warren; her thinkers and lecturers, such as Lucy Stone, Margaret Fuller, Mary E. Livermore, Ellen G. White; or her many just great women in every moral and intellectual way, such as Elizabeth Peabody and Mary Moody Emerson. Before all these, we say, will be honored the woman who long ago led the revolt against the rule that "our women shall keep silence in the churches."

Anne Hutchinson must surely have been a great woman in several respects. Without great intellectual material error (though it may have been based upon the most accurate of spiritual classifications) of putting more of the energy into the class of roots than into the class of shoots. In fact, she found but about two disciples herself who possessed the covenant of grace. And as Doctor of that date was a pure theory, Anne Hutchinson was doomed when at last she challenged, and could be proved to



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have "traduced" the majority of the ministers.

Her banishment followed as a matter of course; but we may accept it as an evidence of her personal power that she was condemned to no more dreadful fate than to go and live in Rhode Island. It was there, on the island of Aquidneck, that Anne Hutchinson did the greatest thing that she ever did, in founding a community where it was decreed that no one should ever be "accounted a delinquent for doctrine."

For enunciating in practical form that sublime doctrine, which in time became the "corner stone" of our nation, Anne Hutchinson deserves a statue in the city which is most closely associated with her name and fame. But if the statue is erected somewhere in Boston, we may expect it to become, as the statue of Bruno has become in Rome, a peculiar shrine for those who commend it as a virtue to speak out one's opinions boldly, even if—let us say especially if—they are at variance with the general opinion of the community.—Boston Transcript.

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He who has once despised the laws of nature and has soared above them has no right to live.—Auerbach.

Rather than be a leader, many a man prefers to follow his own inclinations.

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**Gallieni's Epigrams.**  
The late General Gallieni was a master of epigrammatic expressions. "Don't criticize until you can remedy," is one. "If you've got brains, use them; if not, plant cabbage," was another of the general's sayings. "Set things going, and keep them going," and "Say what you want done, but don't say more than a man can remember," were two other counsels.—Westminster Gazette.

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**TOMATO SALAD.**  
Cut tomatoes in thick slices. Mash a cream cheese with a small piece of Roquefort, using cream to make of the right consistency. Put a spoonful of the cheese mixture on top of each slice and serve with either French or mayonnaise dressing.

**CODFISH FRITTERS.**  
Cut fine a cup and a half of codfish and boil with a quart of potatoes, also cut fine. Mash together and add a cup of milk, a tablespoonful of batter, one egg, four tablespoonfuls of flour and pepper. Fry in deep fat.

**BEST SALAD.**  
Boil tiny beets of uniform size and cool. Place two crisp leaves of lettuce on each plate. In one put one of the beets which has been marinated in French dressing for an hour. In the other put a half of a stuffed egg.

**CODFISH SOUFFLE.**  
Make a cream sauce of a tablespoonful of butter, one of butter and a cup of milk. Stir till smooth and add three tablespoonfuls of flaked fish and the beaten whites of two eggs.

**An Optimist's Essay.**  
If the pessimists of the past had been right men would still be living in caves and trying to get their meals with clubs and flint arrows. And evidently they died without publicly confessing their mistakes, for their pessimistic children continue to prophesy dismally that everything that is surely going to be cannot possibly come to pass. They seem to be born with the habit and cannot get over it.

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(By R. T. Sma) of the British Head Cable.—The cable which began about the British aeroplanes and the fighting made extremely is accompanied and a gale with below a velocity hour. There has been half an hour peratures are w Despite the British attack blow north of having been first drol by the bitter German shells struck north of drol to their same precision their other one "POKERS!"

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