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Priest From India Of Brahmin Caste

San Francisco, August 9.—There arrived in San Francisco a day or so ago a small brown gentleman who once lived one hundred and twenty days on one hundred and twenty bananas and meanwhile did all his sleeping without lying down, without, indeed, sitting down. The small brown gentleman with this record is not a fanatic about anything, either. At all events he says he is not. His name is Swami Prakashananda, which is Sanskrit for Teacher of the Joy of Enlightenment. The reason for his coming lay in the need of assistance felt by Swami Trigunatia, leader of the San Francisco Vedanta Society in the Hindu Temple at Webster and Filbert streets. Swami Trigunatia may be Englished as Teacher of the Three Attributes Beyond—whatever that is. And both these gentlemen are monks from the Balur Math of the Ramkishna Mission in Coochutta, India.

The only alarming things about either Prakashananda or Trigunatia are the tongue twisting names which they bear. Swami Prakashananda, for instance, wears clothes inconspicuous as any John Smith ever wore, and basking in the mildness of his soft brown eyes nobody would imagine the Indian priest the hero of the banana story, or easily picture him walking barefoot, as he once did, through forests of Bengal, where "what you call him, the bush, is full of tiger," as he simply relates.

Prakashananda belongs to the Brahmin caste of India. He was educated at Calcutta University and was formerly assistant editor of "Awakened India," a magazine published in the Himalayas. He is a monk, a vegetarian, an expounder of the Gita. He is forbidden to marry, drinks only water and believes, among other things, that one can make even a cobra ashamed by politeness.

TWINS.

The passenger agent of a Jersey road says that he chanced to be in the ticket office at Trenton one day, when a woman came into the station for the purpose of buying half-fare tickets for two children she brought with her.

"How old are your children, madam?" asked the ticket seller.

"Only 6, sir."

"Both of them?"

"Yes, sir; they are twins."

The agent smiled. Then, after eyeing the youngsters with an expression of incredulity, he observed: "Pretty lads. Where were they born?"

"This one," replied the unwary mother, "was born in Elizabeth, and the other in Jersey City."

THE GREETING CUSTOM.

"How do you do?" That's English and American.

"How do you find yourself?" That's French.

"How do you stand?" That's Italian.

"How do you find yourself?" That's German.

"How do you fare?" That's Dutch.

"How can you?" That's Swedish.

"How do you perspire?" Egyptian.

"How is your stomach? Have you eaten your rice?" That's Chinese.

"How do you have yourself?" That's Polish.

"How do you live on?" That's Russian.

"May thy shadow never be less?" That's Persian.

HEADQUARTERS PORTUGUESE IMPROVEMENT CLUB

Resolutions: Whereas, in that certain letter dealing with the public land question of Hawaii, written to Senator Perkins by Hon. W. J. Robinson, Judge of the First Circuit Court of Honolulu, Hawaii, there were contained certain untrue, false and uncalled-for aspersions on the character, morals, general good name and reputation of the residents of Hawaii and elsewhere of Portuguese descent, and:

Whereas, said Judge Robinson in response to the general resentment shown by the people of all races and classes of Hawaii, has written and published a letter of apology wherein he retracts all such phrases as were objectionable to the Portuguese and others, and further stated therein that he was and is truly sorry for his

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Twice across Death Valley To Save His Life.

Golfield (Nev.), August 1.—To an most superhuman effort and powers of endurance greatly beyond the average man, H. W. Boyer, a Goldfield miner, owes his escape from the reaches of Death Valley. With a obituary published in the papers Bullfrog, Boyer succeeded in crossing and recrossing the valley without food or water, suffering on his eighty-five mile tramp every hardship that could be imagined. He left Greenwater early in the month. Climbing the high range of mountains on the east of the valley with a view to determining his bearings and the direction to the Furnace Creek ranch, he started for the plain where he expected to encounter a road. This, however, he missed and, becoming lost, he started across the valley, thinking he saw some foliage on the farther foothills. Through the fog and slime of earth saturated with alkali and borax, Boyer made slow progress, his path being frequently blocked by cakes of mud that had been curled and twisted by the intense heat to a height of from three to five feet. In other places he narrowly missed being enmeshed in the mire, upon two occasions saving himself only by throwing his leather coat down ahead of his body and scrambling on it to free his boots from the clinging mud. Reaching the farther side of the valley, he succeeded in determining his bearings from the better perspective gained from the eastern range of the mountains. With undaunted determination he started across the desolate reach of waste, reaching the Furnace Creek ranch on the afternoon of the third day. When Boyer struggled into the ranch he was carefully cared for. He was in a condition bordering on complete exhaustion and dementia, his tongue swollen so that he could not articulate and his clothes torn almost in shreds from the trip.

Emperor Accused Of Having Cold Heart.

Berlin, August 4.—The Kaiser's want of sympathy with the feelings of his people, is the subject of some outspoken criticism, by publishing

which the National Zeitung, the organ of the National Liberty party, has risked prosecution for lese majeste.

The paper finds fault with the Emperor for his egotistic method of celebrating the birth of his first grandson. Instead of signaling the happy event by proclaiming an amnesty for political and minor offenses, he contented himself with conferring on the imperial yacht Hoherzoborn the privilege of having a special march played in memory of the fact that he, the Emperor, spent the birthday of his first grandson in company with the officers of the Imperial yacht.

"An amnesty," says the National Zeitung, "would have been interpreted by the nation as a sign that its sovereign, amid his constant travels and his military surroundings, had not lost touch with the soul of his people.

"As things are we cannot escape the conviction that the Emperor's personality is dominated by influences which are ignorant of the longings of the masses. He is hidden from his people by a dense body of time-serving courtiers, and the information supplied to him is of a most one-sided character."

Something In A Name.

"What is your full name?" asked Clerk Simonton, in the usual formal manner of a court clerk addressing a witness just sworn, says the Star.

"Kaikinaoailikea o Lonoikaina-kahikikapuokalani," said the witness without a tremor.

Simonton for some reason or other wanted it again. He is not hard of hearing, nor slow in making court minutes, but for some mysterious motive he asked the witness to say it again, and try to say it slow.

Then, with deliberation, the witness repeated his unearthly name.

"Kaikinaoailikea o Lonoikaina-kahikikapuokalani," said the witness in unmistakable answer, and of course any competent clerk ought to have been able to get it on the jump, but Simonton couldn't.

He wondered why the "o" was put in to spoil the continuity.

However, the name was finally registered and the taking of the testimony of the witness who owned it proceeded with, before Judge Robinson, in the matter of the Kuniakoa

estate. The estate does not amount to over a thousand dollars, but there is nearly a score of claimants, and they are having a lively time in proving ancient Hawaiian family connections in order to prove their various rights as heirs and heiresses.

The witness whose awful name interrupted the proceedings, and which all concerned are forced to stop now and then in the argument and pronounce "Kaikinaoailikea o Lonoikaina-kahikikapuokalani," is the father of the Rev. Manasse.

He is quite an important witness in the case, and after his name was once thoroughly settled, he gave his evidence without further plika.

Boa Constrictor Seen In Alexander Valley.

Santa Rosa, August 4.—The appearance again on the Alexander ranch in Alexander valley of a huge reptile, believed by many to be a boa constrictor that escaped from a traveling circus many years ago, has excited much interest. Some days ago a horse driven by some women took fright at the big snake and ran away. J. Alexander, who owns the ranch has known of the reptile's presence on the place for almost thirty years and that years ago hunters tried to locate the monster. Somehow the snake kept out of sight when the chase was on. The women at first saw what they thought was a big piece of stick moving. Their horse snorted and dashed away. There is no doubt that it was the constrictor. Years ago traveling circuses passed the ranch.

Bovine Bacilli As Tuberculosis Vaccine.

Washington, July 23.—A vaccine, which it is thought will render humanity immune from the white terror has been discovered by physicians identified with the French Academy of Sciences. By treating infants with a very small quantity of tuberculous bacilli of human and bovine origin a few days after birth, it is declared they will be guarded against natural infection through life.

United States Consul W. P. Atwell of Boboix has sent to this government a report of the discoveries

by Drs. Calmette and Guerin of the Pasteur institute at Lille.

"Many experiments have demonstrated that tuberculous bacilli destroyed by heat or other agents pass through the walls of the intestines as readily as living bacilli and are found in the mesenteric ganglions and lungs," says Dr. Calmette. "We experimented with the object of discovering whether young animals, such as calves and kids, that had been made to swallow two doses, the second forty five days after the first, of from five to twenty-five grams of dead bacilli, or bacilli whose virulence had been modified, could endure with impunity the injection of a meal of five centigrams of fresh tuberculous matter taken from a cow, matter which would be surely infectious under ordinary conditions.

"We are now convinced that bovine bacilli destroyed by boiling for five minutes, or simply heated during the same period, will, for five months and even for a longer time, to which it is not now possible to fix a limit, vaccinate perfectly against virulent infection through the digestive organs.

Christ's Prison is Supposed To Have Been Found

Jerusalem, August 4.—The supposed prison of Christ has been discovered beneath the Via Dolorosa. It is a subterranean cell hewn out of the solid rock.

The cell is connected with the series of underground chambers discovered thirty years ago near the Ecce Homo Chapel, but this was only discovered the other day by some Greeks who were clearing out the original cells.

"Christ's prison" is one of a group of cells which appear to be ancient Roman dungeons; they are hewn out of rock similarly to the Latomiae in Syracuse, Syria. It contains a contrivance of stone which is supposed to be an ancient form of the medieval stock.

Below the cell is a smaller and grimmer cell—a kind of "oubliette"—full of human bones and rubbish.

Already "Christ's prison" which has been converted into a Greek chapel, has been visited by thousands of devout pilgrims, who firmly believe it to be the veritable dungeon in which Jesus awaited His trial before Pontius Pilate.

misleading and unintentional characterization of the Portuguese people: Therefore, be it resolved by the Portuguese Improvement Club of Hilo, Hawaii, which club is composed of American citizens of Portuguese descent, as well as those duly qualified and eligible for citizenship:

First. That we brand as untrue, false, and uncalled-for, all such aspersions on the character, morals, general good name and reputation of the residents of Hawaii and elsewhere, of Portuguese and blood descent.

Second. That the erroneous statements, as aforesaid, called for a public apology, and such public apology having been made by Judge W. J. Robinson through the public press of Hawaii, this club, in the name of its members, as well as in the name of all the people of Portuguese blood and descent, residing in this, the Island and County of Hawaii, does hereby accept said apology as evidencing just the reverse of the charges made in the letter to Senator Perkins.

Third. That this club, being composed of members who have given consideration and earnest attention, time and study to the public land question and its questionable administration in Hawaii, endorse and support in toto, all and singular the opinions and recommendations made by said Judge W. J. Robinson in his letter to Senator Perkins, touching and bearing on the land laws of Hawaii and the administration thereof, and that the same should have the immediate and careful attention, with speedy action, on the part of the Congress of the United States of America and the federal departments and officials thereby and thereunder constituted, elected and appointed, and

Fourth. That copies of these resolutions be forwarded to the President and the Secretary of the Interior of the Government of the United States, and also to Senators Cullom and Perkins, Governor George R. Carter and Circuit Judge W. J. Robinson of Hawaii, and the English, Portuguese and Hawaiian newspapers of the Territory of Hawaii:

Done at Hilo, Island and County of Hawaii, this 10th day of August, A. D. 1906.

JOSEPH VIERRA,
M. S. PACHECO,
J. E. ROCHA,

Attest:
J. A. M. OSORIO,
President,
G. F. AFFONSO,
Secretary.