

RULED THE SIKHS

An American Who Became Governor of Gujarat, in India.

A REAL SOLDIER OF FORTUNE

Pictureque Career of Dr. Harlan of Philadelphia, Who For Years Was the Power Behind the Throne of Ranjit Singh, King of the Punjab.

The Sikhs of India are a religious sect that have come to be a really distinct race and have developed into a military people. They are brave and stalwart soldiers and have the reputation of being absolutely fearless in battle.

It is interesting to know that an American was once ruler over these people, as governor under Ranjit Singh, the great Sikh king of the Punjab. This American was Dr. Harlan of Philadelphia, and his career in India was surely as picturesque as that of any adventurer who ever set forth from the United States to win fame in far distant lands.

In the year 1825 Dr. Harlan sailed from Boston as surgeon apothecary in one of the old East Indian ships. He arrived in India at the time of the first Burmese war, when surgeons were badly needed for the British expeditionary force, and he jumped at the chance to see something of a little known country.

At the end of the campaign he was discharged. That offended his sense of justice and perhaps moved him to take the side of the Indian princes in their conflicts with the British. It was the period of the downfall of the Mogul Empire and the carving up of it into several independent kingdoms. There were big chances for a man of adventurous spirit, so Harlan went up country and offered his services to Ranjit Singh, the Sikh king of the Punjab.

Ranjit Singh had confederated the Sikh states into a single nationality under his power at Lahore, organized a well trained army under some of Napoleon's former French officers, and was bent on extending his sway over most of the crumbling Mogul empire. It was at this moment that Harlan turned up in Lahore. It is said he cured the Sikh king of some illness and won his friendship.

Be that as it may, by the year 1827 Harlan had risen to such high favor that he was appointed governor of the great province of Gujarat. There for ten years he ruled, but at last he came to a parting of the ways with Ranjit Singh, either because he had quarreled with the king over his severity in punishing criminals, or because the British interests in India did not approve of an American in so important an office, and diplomatically suggested his removal. At all events, he resigned and made for Kabul, in Afghanistan. There Dost Mohammed, the ameer, was preparing for war with the British.

The journey was a perilous one in those days, but Harlan made it successfully, and either by reason of his impressive appearance or the information he could give Dost Mohammed he soon came to stand high in the ameer's confidence.

But when war actually broke out Dost Mohammed showed a complete incapacity to conduct it intelligently. He seems to have taken Harlan for a renegade Englishman, whose advice could not be safely trusted. He failed to take the precaution of fortifying the Bolan pass as Harlan urged, and the British marched through it to enter Kabul.

Dost Mohammed's stupidity seems to have disgusted Harlan with the Asiatics, for he is next found as the friend and guest of Sir Henry Lawrence, high commissioner of the Punjab. While visiting Sir Henry one of the servants stole 100 rupees from him. Harlan told Sir Henry and asked permission to be allowed to get it back in his own way. So Sir Henry consented, but stipulated that he should not injure any of the servants.

Harlan had all the servants in the house called to his room, the door of which he locked; then, drawing his sword and looking as fierce as he could, he told them he would cut the head off every man in the room if the thief did not confess and restore the money. The fellows, knowing Harlan's reputation, were badly frightened, and the guilty man confessed.

Dr. Harlan returned to New York in the forties and lived there until his death, about 1850, but before that time the Sikh power was swept away at the decisive battle of Gujarat. Dhillip Singh, the son and successor of Ranjit Singh, was sent into exile, and the province over which Harlan ruled was incorporated in the British Indian empire.—Youth's Companion.

Odd Happenings In the Day's News

The only blind baseball fan is John Moore, who has not missed a game in Decatur, Ill., in eight years.

Anxious to wed stepmother, Coatesville (Pa.) youth is making the rounds of cities trying to get a license.

A harpooned whale rescued off Hatteras by mate that bit the rope in two, officers on the whaling schooner Whyland report.

A stolen horse neighed clew from Jersey barn when he recognized hoofbeats of old mate which owner was driving past.

Horseless farms are appearing in Wisconsin, where there are several without a horse, everything being done by machinery.

"Pat-pat" may supplant kissing in Huntington, W. Va., by order of the health board. To "pat-pat" you merely pat her on the cheek.

The only woman in Kansas prison for murder has been paroled. While there she kept her two daughters in school by doing fancy needlework.

Student friends kept him continually fighting by calling him "Susie," so Sugesta Spota has had his front name changed to Jess, same as the world's champion pugilist.

ROCKEFELLER, JR., TAUGHT BY CHILD OF A MINER.

Schoolgirl Shows Him How to Make 400 Per Cent.

A twelve-year-old girl told John D. Rockefeller, Jr., how to deal in stocks and bonds, how to run a bank and how to finance a corporation that would pay a forty cent annual dividend on a ten cent block of common stock.

At Sopris, where Mr. Rockefeller, in the course of his examination of Colorado Fuel and Iron company property, stopped long enough to visit the public school, a teacher in the highest grade of the school told the Standard Oil man that the pupils had established a bank and a store in which school supplies were sold.

"Really?" said Rockefeller, with the delight of a boy at a country fair. "I should like to know something more about this system of finance."

"Blanche," said the teacher, "will you explain it to Mr. Rockefeller?" Then Blanche McArthur, a daughter of a coal digger, walked to the front of the room, shook hands calmly with Mr. Rockefeller and gravely began her financial lesson.

"You see," she began, "I am cashier of the bank. We already have \$5 on deposit, all brought by the children."

"Five dollars?" exclaimed Mr. Rockefeller. "Wonderful!"

"We have part of this loaned out to pupils—on good security, of course. We are looking around for a permanent investment for the rest of our money."

Blanche then branched off into a discussion of stocks and bonds. Mr. Rockefeller listened gravely as the child detailed the elements which make bond issues safe or unsafe.

"We have a store, too, Mr. Rockefeller," she continued. "It was formed by some of us boys and girls, who each subscribed 10 cents to the capital stock. We buy school supplies—pencils and tablets—at wholesale and sell them to the pupils. Last year the store paid between 30 and 40 cents dividend on each 10 cents in stock. Don't you think that was doing pretty well, Mr. Rockefeller?" He agreed with her.

GIRL GETS FRENCH CROSS.

Honored by Poincare For Supplying Village With Bread.

When Daniau, the only baker in the village of Exodun, department of Deux-Sèvres, France, was called to the colors the village was without bread. Then Madeleine Daniau, the baker's daughter, a slight miss of fourteen, lit the bakery furnace and with the help of her brother of ten tried to make bread. After several failures she succeeded to the satisfaction of the villagers and surrounding farmers and has been working now for many months from 4 o'clock in the morning until late in the day baking bread.

President Poincare has written letters to both children. He complimented the girl on her good humor, courage and industry and conferred on her the cross of Lorraine. He called the boy his "young friend" and assured him he would grow up to be a valiant soldier.

Canada to Quiet Bookies. Canadian racing tracks will install multiple betting machines on all the main tracks next year, thus eliminating bookmakers entirely.

Mount Etna. Etna, the "burning mountain," is the mightiest volcano in Europe. It is 10,800 feet high. If you wished to walk round its base you would have to walk sixty miles. It slopes steadily on all sides up to the highest crater, which is nearly a mile broad.

STILL GRILLING CONNIE MACK.

Experts Continue to Pound Athletics' Pilot and His Team.

MAY FOOL 'EM NEXT YEAR.

Leader of Philadelphia Americans Has Been Known to Handle Weak Team One Season and Then Put Fear in Other Clubs the Following Season. Other Notes.

Never before has the term "White Elephants" been so applicable as it is today in the case of the Athletics. Mahout Cornelius McGillicuddy has the cheapest baseball club in the major league world, but it is doubtful if he has made enough kale to settle the feed bill of his pachyderms.

Philadelphia has turned its dorsal exposure toward Mr. Mack and his team. The face of Connie after a four game series in Philadelphia between the Athletics and Browns looked just like a world's champion dill pickle. For only the park employees and a few regulars, who called more to get the 'hiss' score than to see the game, attended the pasturing of the once famous pennant machine.

A world of spleen must embitter the club's owners when they think how the city neglected the club when it was a world's championship team and then forgot it entirely when an endeavor is being made to give the fans something new and, in time, better than the old.

But there is no manana for the fan-only today. When tomorrow comes around, if you happen to be up there fighting for the flag, they may patrolize you. But in the meantime, nothing doing.

If Mack's outfit is a first division team next year, then, according to 1915 dope, won't the Browns have a double wrap on the world's championship?

When a man manages a ball team after his playing days are over it is very wise for him to confine himself to those duties and not attempt to break into the normal playing of the game. Nothing turns the fans quicker against a leader than when he uses poor judgment regarding himself.

Bill Donovan of the New York Americans is not apt to ever finish a game again for his team. His experience the other day when, with his team these runs to the good, he took out Brown and substituted himself, finished his pitching career.

Harry Wolverton made a similar mistake while in charge of the New York club. He put himself in as a pinch hitter on several occasions and invariably struck out. Naturally, he got in bad. The wise manager lets his players do the playing, even if he feels that there is some baseball left in him.

The resignation of Fred Clarke from the management of the Pittsburgh club was to be expected. Clarke has been in baseball since 1894, every year of which he has spent in the employ of Barney Dreyfuss. He has been a most successful manager, but he has also been able to make some very good investments, thanks to the aid of his employer, and is today one of the wealthiest men in baseball. Clarke has tired of being active in the sport.

Being away from his Kansas ranch every year most of the time no longer suits him, and it was only because it pleased Dreyfuss that he remained with the club for the past few years.

It was Fred Clarke who first approached Walter Johnson in behalf of Griffith, after he had jumped to the Feds. He paved the way by a visit to the Johnson home for Manager Griffith to confer with him last winter, as a result of which Johnson returned to "the Nationals' fold."

George Sleser of the St. Louis Browns has found the Mackmen's pitchers much to his liking, getting ten base hits in four games. Sleser is playing first base for the Browns and is showing himself to be the find of the season.

There seems to be no position on the team that he cannot fill satisfactorily, and with an average of over .300 mark he is showing that American league twirlers are not troubling him.

Sleser was a much sought after player while he was with the Michigan university team.

BOSTON PLAYERS BOOSTERS.

Red Sox Always Pulling For Team to Win Games. One of the strongest adherents and boosters that Harold Janvrit has among the Red Sox crew is little Everett Scott, the clever young player that the Boston boy has literally displaced.

Notwithstanding the fact that Janvrit is the cause of his warming the bench, Scott is pulling for him every day and is the first of Harl's team-mates to excuse an error or applaud a clever play. This only goes to show the fine spirit that exists at the present time among the Red Sox crew.

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The squeeze play does not call for a hard hitter or a good hitter, but it does call for a man with a good eye, a fellow who invariably hits the ball, even though it may not go safe. If the batsman bunts the ball in the air an easy double play is usually the result. If he is able to keep the ball on fair ground there is seldom a chance to stop the run at the plate. It is not necessary to have a fast man on third to make this play, for most of the play depends on the ability of the batsman to keep the ball on the ground.—Billy Evans in St. Nicholas.

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