

IN AND AROUND LUXOR WITH A SIDE LIGHT ON RAMESES THE GREAT. Until we arrived at Luxor we did not many centuries before any one thought

know the total meaning of the word "old." The ruins, which are the stock in trade of this ancient City of Thebes in trade of this ancient City of Thebes, tively hot from the griddle. One day date so far back into the dimness of Nowhere that all the other antiquities Mouhassib, in Luxor, and the old anof earth seem as fresh and recent as a tiquarian reached under the counter and lugged out a mummy. The body "Old" is merely a relative term, after was well preserved, and the embalm-

awe at a court house that was actual- | texture.

"huge" and so on, cannot bring the eller for the simple reason that he injure their standing with posterity. barbaric massiveness of these ancient pictous character should arrive in an regarded as perhaps the king pin of all

thought they were not doing them-selves credit unless they piled up col-umns about the size of the redwood all day, approaches him at nightfall all. I remember in my native town we ing cloth in which it was wrapped and trees in California and guarded each and says, "Look here; you have put me

and "colossal," and pects to get something out of a trav-, wisely forgot all details calculated to ple of Karnak, a section at a time, see that he did not blow up any safes thought they were not doing them- or crawl into any second stories. The

ing cloth in which it was wrapped and trees in Camornia and guarded each and says, Look neve, you have put me cross-wrapped still retained a definite entrance with statues as big as the to a lot of trouble. I have been on my doddess of Liberty in New York Haryou were going to commit a burglary, and 1 think it is only right that you should pay me somethig."

Every time we visited an antiquity these guards tapped at our heels, watching us like hawks, and invariably they tried to hold us up for a piece of silver before we departed. There is a Masonic understanding among the natives that the tourist is to be fleeced. For instance, although the copper coins are in common use among the natives, and the cheaper shops the acter and it's too bad we haven't got prices are usually reckoned in mill- some rulers of his calibre nowadays." iemes, it is almost impossible for a traveller to get any of these copper

of mining stock. Egyptian money is very easily under stood by Americans. The plaster is

the same as our five-cent piece or nickel. The silver five plaster piece resembles our quarter and has the same value. The ten plaster piece is the same as our half dollar. The 100 plaster bill is worth five dollars. Inasmuch as many of the prices sound large and important when quoted in plasters, the dealers have learned to demand English pounds sterling or American dollars. That is, they name their first prices in sovereigns and dollars and then gradually work down to plasters. I saw a native trying to sell a scarab to a tourist. His first price was £7, equivalent to \$35. After a half hour of haggling he had cut it to 7 plasters, or 35 cents, and the deal was

The old city of Thebes was a huge and hustling metropolis, surrounded by a high wall of a hundred gates, with countless regiments of so

structures. The rulers who built the main tem-American city and the chief of police the rulers during Egypt's long period of national splendor. Have you ever heard any one say a word in criticism of Rameses' fiscal policy, his treatment of the rebate system, management of the Senate, or his social relations with the dark emissaries that came up from Egypt? No! Every one has a good word for Rameses. The writers of ancient history extol him, and the guide books print his name in big black letters, and the travellers to Egypt gather about his glass covered coffin in the Gizeh

Museum at Cairo and try to trace noble lineaments in the shrunken features They sigh over his departure and look down at him mournfully, with their hats in their hands, as if they had lost him this spring, instead of 3,164 years ago this spring. They say:-"Well, he certainly was a grand char-

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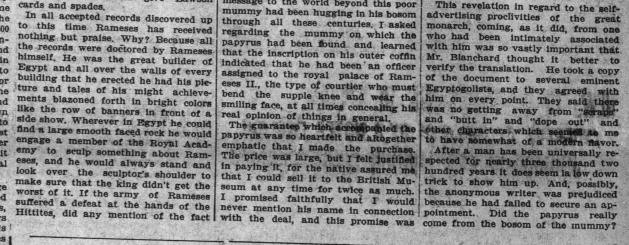
calendars. He would give Lawson message to the world beyond this poor cards and spades.

I bought the papyrus assured me that he was an honorable and truthful guide, and he gave me his personal guarantee that he had removed the document from the mummy's under-garment with his own hands and had been waiting for an opportunity to offer it to a traveller who was really a connoisseur of antiquities and a rever-

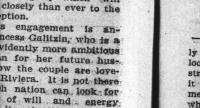
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mummy had been hugging in his bosom In all accepted records discovered up through all these centuries. I asked monarch, nothing but praise. Why? Because all papyrus had been found and learned with him was so vastly imp the records were doctored by Rameses that the inscription on his outer coffin Mr. Blanchard thought it

ent student of ancient languages. All Account of it on a Granite Rock and this he told me while we were out on | band all the Bouquets to Rameses. He traveller to get any of these copper but I feel it my duty to submit to stu-coins because the natives want him to dents of history and archaeologists a hestow his gratitude in plasters. A very interesting parameter which are which the desert together, and after looking apprehensively in all directions to make coins because the natives want him to dents of history and archaeologists a bestow his gratitude in plasters. A very interesting papyrus which came milleme is worth one-half cent, and into my possession at Luxor. If this then the millime is further sublivid-document is accepted as authentic and the statements are believed, then it are about the size of the mustard seed would appear that Rameses was the champion advertiser of angient times.



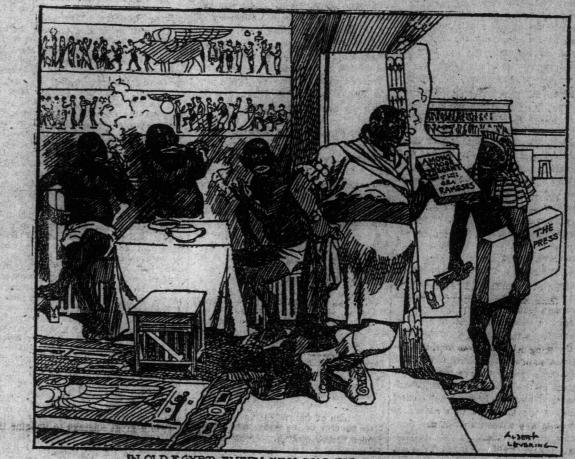
champion advertiser of ancient times. That I never saw a more convincing now, when Cook's Tourists see my Pic-If Rameses were alive today he would document in all my life. The hiero- tures all over the Shops, they will conown all the billboards in America. He would take a full page in every Sunday paper and have his picture on free had a burning curiosity to know what the Great. This revelation in regard to the self-



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ly built before the civil war. We would look up at that weather beaten frame structure, two stories high, and to us it had all the historic interest of a mediaeval castle. Later in Chicago when the special writer on the newspa-The ordinary 150 pound mortal edging and bring back slaves in little batches mediaeval castle. Later in Chicago when this gentleman lived it was not the custom to inscribe the cocoon. You will observe however, building in torter to the oldest that he was buried in a sitting posbuilding in town. It was constructed ture, and we know that this manner of flea, away back in 1833. way back in 1833. When a man from the West goes East for the first time and sees Inde-pendence Hall in Philadelphia he takes off his hat and tries to grasp the over-wheiming fact that the building stood there even in the far distant Colonial period. When he travels to London and walks through St. Paul's or stands in the Henry VIII. Chapel at Westmin-



IN OLD EGYPT, EVERY KING WAS ALS OWN PRESS AGENT

the hieroglyphs, every king that ruled find its way into the inscriptions? Most easily kept, because he had a name Who knows? Sometimes it is the assuredly not. Rameses had the hierobrilliant in military strategy as Napol- glyphs report that he made a masterly for two minutes. manoeuvre in order to develop the For obvious reasons I did not show

strength of the enemy and then retired the document to my travelling compan-to a new and more strategic position. ions, I knew that if people heard of This unanimous outpouring of eulogy is largely explained by the fact that every memorial in honor of a ruler was erected and supervised by that any Egyptian army ever it I might not be permitted to take it out of the country.

ruler himself. It's a fact! Of all the countless temples and obelisks and godlike granite figures and festal tomb chambers remaining in Egypt to testify to the majesty and splendor of the an-cient dynasties, every one was built under the personal supervision of the man who gets all of the slore out of man who gets all of the glory out of the inscriptions. The succeeding gen-eration never get up subscription lists to have been under censorships that the blamed thing meant.

that no one could have remembered for two minutes. and not to draw hasty conclusions. The documentary evidence is sub-mitted herewith-first a copy of the

phrase. The testimony should con vince any who are disposed to be scepti

When we arrived at Cairo I went to

begged him not to inquire where or how I obtained the papyrus. All I wanted him to do was tell me what a luxury, yet?

Mrs. Yacht (superciliously)-My hus-band has a beautiful yacht. I don't suppose your husband can afford such Blanchard was startled as soon as he looked at the document. I could see that. He said he had deciphered a good many acres of hiercelember of a good

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ride to the north and across the river, some three miles to the west; there are more temples and shattered statues and the wonderful tombs of the kings. In olden days there was a broad avenue leading north to Kar-nak and thence west to the valley in the desert, where the kings were buried and this boulevard was guarded on either side, for the entire distance, by huge recumbent Sphinxes carved out of granite. Can you imagine a double row of gigantic figures crouched or each side of the street and about twenty feet apart all the way up Broadway to Central Park and then tl.rough the Park o Riverside Drive and up the drive to the distant suburbs? If so, you will understand to what an extent these old rulers "went in" for sphinxes. Labor cost nothing and time did not count for anything and if a king wished to build an avenue of sphinxes leading to his private temple or tomb all he had to do was to give the word.

As soon as a king mounted the throne he began making his funeral preparations, and ordered the entire staff of stone cutters to chisel out hieroglyphs explaining that he great and good and just, and that he never took off his hat to any one except the gods, and then not ordinary picayune gods, but only those of the very first magnitude. According to in Egypt was as wise as Solomon, as eon, and as hard on the evildoer as

our own beloved T. R. This unanimous outpouring of eulogy was erected and supervised by that ruler himself. It's a fact! Of all the and then an invading army had the under the personal supervision of the those who criticized the administration

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TRANSLATION OF THE RAMESES PAPYRUS

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