

for \$1 a day. Memphis, the Apis Mausoleum, the Pyramid of Lakkorah, etc., can easily be reached from Cairo at a light expense. One place no traveller ever visits, which no traveller can afford to miss. It is the Fayoum, and it can be reached for \$1 from Cairo. There the Bahr Yuseph (Canal of Joseph) leaps and gurgles like a natural river, and there the primitive simplicity of the natives is as yet wholly uncorrupted by the sight of a European and the cry of "backshish." Out in the desert near Gurah and Kahun, where Mr. Flinders Petrie was then making his surprising and epoch-making discoveries, I have seen the little children seemingly frightened half to death at the sight of the "white devil." To reach this spot, however, or the Pyramids of Illahoun or Hawara, or the site of the ancient Labyrinth, or of Lake Mæris, would require a very long, hard desert ride. At the Greek hotel at Medunet-el-Fayoum one could find an interpreter and get provisions, etc., for the trip. From Alexandria one can get back to London by steamer *via* Malta and Gibraltar for \$50.

If he desires to visit the Holy Land, he will strike for Jaffa, thirty-six hours distant. A twenty-eight days' tour through Palestine (*via* Galilee, Damascus, and Baalbec) to Beyrout, on to Smyrna (for Ephesus excursion), Constantinople, Athens, Corinth, Patras, Brindisi, Naples, Rome, Florence, Milan, Como, St. Gothard, Lucine, Bâle, Paris, Dieppe, London (second-class), \$300.

If one has previously taken the latter half of the above journey he may choose, as did the writer, to get the best terms possible from Ralla Floyd, the celebrated agent of Gaze & Son in Jaffa for the long Palestine tour, and be delivered from all worry of every kind. From Beyrout I took ship for Liverpool *via* Jaffa, Suez, Alexandria, Malta, and Gibraltar. To go from Cairo to Jerusalem, stop at one of the best hotels in Jerusalem, visit all the points of interest in the suburbs; make the journey to

Bethlehem and Hebron and the Pools of Solomon; the three days' journey to Jericho, the Jordan, and the Dead Sea; and then the long, four weeks' journey to Beyrout *via* Nazareth, the Sea of Galilee, Damascus, and Baalbec (seven weeks' tour in all), actually cost me \$200.

It could be done much cheaper. The Hospitium Franciscanum, in Jerusalem, offers clean beds, good rooms, with carpets and frescoed ceilings, excellent toilet arrangements, and three good meals, which (with the exception of the breakfast) will compare favorably with the hotels—all *gratis*—with the expectation, however, that the "pilgrim" will make a gift of \$1 to the institution for each day that he stays. Each traveller is welcome to stay fourteen days. There are several other hospices nearby, if not quite as good. One of these alone offers accommodations for three hundred guests. If one did not have a delicacy about accepting the entertainment provided for Christians of another faith, and presumably in other circumstances, he could save much money by making this his headquarters. A man who had carefully studied the cheapest routes and methods of living, who was thoroughly acquainted with everything he ought to see on the way, and who was a practical traveller and possessed of a hardy constitution, might also take the long trip through Palestine independently, hiring a dragoman to make all arrangements for lodging and provisions. A student-friend of mine, a man of most scholarly and refined tastes, after giving six months or more to the special study of Palestinian travel and exploration, did this at a cost of only \$3 a day, but the last three or four days he could not eat the native food. I myself made the Philistine journey *via* Ashdod, Askelon, Lachish, etc., on even less than this, but it is a dangerous trip to take that way and not to be advised. The same young gentleman mentioned above—who, because of his careful study of routes and prices, is not to be confounded with the ordinary traveller—went