

DOUBLE- FACED

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She stopped abruptly on the heavy carpet.

"You likely remember the time you allowed stopped?"

"She bit her lip. To be interested."

"Conrad, I refuse to be interested."

"The alimony stopped because of my business reverses," he went on, "not because I wanted to be cussed."

"No explanation is necessary."

"Well," he continued, "the reverses reversed, the homestead was saved, and the stuff put in running order again. He had a couple of other pots and pans, and doing has rarely achieved financial success. His has been the distinction of achievement—often the cause of his ruin."

"The hitch?"

"No hitch."

"You're not interested." She turned to go.

"It would certainly help him a lot," he reminded her.

She hesitated.

"I know it's a gift, you know. It's your own money. Your alimony which lapsed and was to terminate only in the event of your remarriage. I'll tell you, your money is yours for the taking. She looked up into his eyes. They were still glistening but more mildly.

"Very well, but there's a trick in it, some place."

"I'm terribly hard-hearted, don't you?"

"It's not a case of a hard heart or a soft one, but rather its absence."

He smiled, apparently satisfied.

"Heads?" He suggested, his right hand in his right pocket.

"No. Tails."

His left hand took a coin from his pocket, flipped it.

"He solemnized very seriously and then beamed."

"Tails it is."

He took her arm and piloted her from the library.

"That little thousand will come in pretty nicely for Tommy," he smiled, fingering the coin in his left hand pocket—the coin whose two sides were identical.

The coin in the right-hand pocket bore a head on each side.

Ten-Inch Fish of Brazil

Held Most Bloodthirsty

When one's mind turns to man-eaters, we naturally think of lions, tigers, or perhaps the great white shark, the most voracious of all the fish. It is a region of superstition. Approximately 55 square miles of the valley floor are below sea level; and Badwater, 260 feet below that level, is the lowest point on the entire Western Hemisphere. Telescope peak, towering 11,325 feet above the valley floor, probably stands higher above its immediate surroundings than any other mountain in the 48 states.

Death valley, held until quite recently, a world's record for high temperatures, and it is one of the driest places in the West. In a standard thermometer shelter at Furnace Creek, a maximum air temperature of 134 degrees Fahrenheit in the shade has been recorded. On the other hand, it is in the deepest part of the valley, it has probably been hotter still. The valley is famous for consistently extreme heat, lack of rainfall, and extremely low humidity. The record for an entire year showed 351 clear days, and the average annual precipitation over a four-tenths inches.

Miles of Death Valley

Running Below Sea Level

Running in the west, the valley direction, Death valley is the longest, ranging from four miles or less in width at constricted points to perhaps 35 miles at its widest part. It is a region of superstition. Approximately 55 square miles of the valley floor are below sea level; and Badwater, 260 feet below that level, is the lowest point on the entire Western Hemisphere. Telescope peak, towering 11,325 feet above the valley floor, probably stands higher above its immediate surroundings than any other mountain in the 48 states.

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The Philosopher's Stone

A person looking for a short cut to riches is always searching for the philosopher's stone. The alchemists believed that somewhere in nature there existed a substance which would convert ordinary metal into gold. This imaginary substance was called the philosopher's stone because it was supposed to have a philosophic basis and was linked with the theories of matter and energy. The philosopher's stone was supposed to be a substance which would transmute base metals into gold. This imaginary substance was called the philosopher's stone because it was supposed to have a philosophic basis and was linked with the theories of matter and energy. The philosopher's stone was supposed to be a substance which would transmute base metals into gold. This imaginary substance was called the philosopher's stone because it was supposed to have a philosophic basis and was linked with the theories of matter and energy.

Lightning Is

Lightning is the spark or flash caused by the equalization of the potential or electrical pressure between the clouds or between a cloud and the earth. The same principle, only on a minor scale, may be observed when a spark plug on a running gas engine, notes a writer in *Heard's Dairyman*. Why and how the clouds become charged with and how the difference in electrical pressure between the clouds and the earth is tremendous, millions of volts at times. We also know that the clouds are not only positive, perhaps, attracts to it on the ground below, an opposite or negative charge. If there's two opposite charges approach each other, the electricity will come together by means of what we call a lightning flash. If trees, buildings, chimneys or any other objects are higher than the clouds, the lightning will strike them because they are closer to the clouds. Lightning always takes the shortest or easiest path from one place to another.

The Name "Leroy"

The name "Leroy," or "LeRoy," of old French origin, is translated "the king." It is comparatively new, not long in use as a given name.

Porcelains From China

In Seventeenth Century The craftsman potter has been in all ages very much of a pioneer. He has pointed the way for those who followed. He has been the Columbus for other nations, and in doing has rarely achieved financial success. His has been the distinction of achievement—often the cause of his ruin.

It was not until the Seventeenth century when the Dutch and English East India companies established trade relations with the Orient that the western world became acquainted with the fine porcelains of China.

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