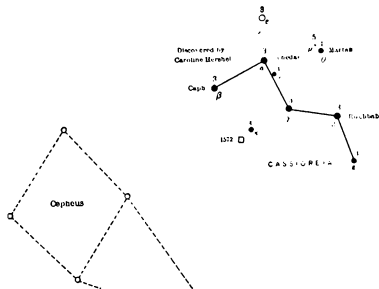

 THE SKY AND THE STARS

CASSIOPEIA

The Lady in the Chair



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YOU have studied about the constellation of the Great Bear, seven stars of which form the Big Dipper. The two stars forming the side of the Dipper opposite the handle point to the North Star. On the other side of the North Star is the constellation Cassiopeia or the Lady in the Chair. Cassiopeia is one of the oldest and most popular of the constellations.

As the stars of this constellation revolve about the pole, they form when below it a slightly distorted capital "M". This is reversed when Cassiopeia is above the pole, and we have a celestial letter "W".

According to the Greek legend, Cassiopeia was the wife of Cepheus, king of Ethiopia. Conscious of her matchless beauty, she boasted that she was fairer than Juno, the Queen of the heavens, and more beautiful than Nereids or sea nymphs. The ladies of

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 THE ISLES OF BEAUTY

THE CAVE IN TALBAK

by Fortunato Asuncion



HAVE you ever gone on an exploration? Of course, not in the wilds of Africa; not in the jungles of India; nor in the desert of the Sahara. What I mean is penetrating a nearby forest or groping into the darkness of a cave the depth of which is unknown to you. One dares, not for the glory it yields, but for the thrilling experiences it affords.

Several kilometers from the historic town of Antipolo is a cave well-known as a hide-out of the recent law-breakers, the Sakdalistas. It is indeed a good hiding place. In fact it was used as such by the rebels during the Spanish regime, so they say. It is so deep that they say it leads to a place nobody knows where. Old folks living nearby even boasted that no one had ever measured its depth.

This place can be reached by two ways. One, by the winding road to Teresa, a road which reminds one of the zigzags in Baguio. Another, by the mountain trails. If thrill is the object of the excursion, I will suggest the latter.

Reaching the side of the mountain, one will doubt the existence of so famous a cave. Openings abound, but not one is large enough to admit a husky fellow with ease. Once you squeezed yourself through the opening, you will gasp with amazement. You will find yourself in a very spacious hall with glittering walls. Holding your candle upward, you will marvel at the beau-

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the early afternoon, and shine shoes later in the afternoon. We don't have to beg anymore. We shall need money for rice only. I can catch small crabs and dig for clams and mussels." Tonio said with the seriousness of a man.

The old man realized that Tonio was no longer a small boy. He was beginning to think for himself and to demand his own share of responsibilities.

"Sooner or later he will have to take care



of himself. He should learn early what it is to struggle. He must know the pitfalls of life and learn to avoid them. I shall not live forever to watch over him," the old man mused.

Aloud he said,

"Yes, my boy, we may have to try your plans."

(Read about Tonio's interesting experiences with street boys in September number of *The Young Citizen*.)

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the sea were offended and complained to Neptune, the god of the sea. As a punishment for her insolence, Neptune sent a frightful monster to ravage her coast and

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tiful domes overhead with sparkling spikes drooping downward. Closer observation will reveal numerous names and dates inscribed on the smooth and conspicuous parts. Some names are of those who had played important parts in the Philippine history. Dates as early as the eighteenth hundreds abound. Once inside, you will feel a very peculiar sensation. In spite of the water oozing between the cracks and the moisture dripping from above, you will feel very warm. However death larks behind this magnificence. Treacherous pits are scattered here and there not very deep though, but enough to break one's neck.

To avoid any mishap should you explore this cave, extreme care must be taken.

to devour Cassiopeia's daughter, Andromeda. Cassiopeia appealed to Jupiter, who placed her in the heaven out of reach of Neptune.

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