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ROSE AND ALEISTER CROWLEY'S STAY IN EGYPT IN 1904

A STUDY OF THE CAIRO WORKING
AND WHAT IT LED TO

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FRATER PERDURABO, to whom this revelation was made with so many signs and wonders, was himself unconvinced. He struggled against it for years. Not until the completion of His own initiation at the end of 1909 did He understand how perfectly He was bound to carry out this work. (Indeed, it was not until his word became conterminous with Himself and His Universe that all alien ideas lost their meaning for him). Again and again He turned away from it, took it up for a few days or hours, then laid it aside. He even attempted to destroy its value, to nullify the result. Again and again the unsleeping might of the Watchers drove Him back to the work; and it was at the very moment when He thought Himself to have escaped that He found Himself fixed for ever with no possibility of again turning aside for the fraction of a second from the path.

The history of this must one day be told by a more vivid voice. Properly considered, it is a history of continuous miracle.

THE EQUINOX OF THE GODS, 1936 E.V.

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The two pages below are taken from *For the Thelemites*, Chapter 15 – Part II. They can also be found in the extract "*Dec. 5, 1947 E.V.*", an extract from the book dealing with, among other things, Aleister Crowley's funeral, and Frieda Harris et al.



Houseboats on the lake Dal, Srinagar, Kashmir, India. Note the Himalayas in the background. 1960s photograph.

Some years after her husband's death Frieda Harris moved to Srinagar, the summer capital of Kashmir, India, where she lived on a houseboat on a lake – the urban lake Dal (Dal in Kashmiri means lake). In the summertime it was a most beautiful and pleasant place to live, however, during the winter season the lake often froze over, and it must have been a cold and unpleasant place to be, especially for a European woman in her eighties living on an uninsulated houseboat. Frieda Harris died at the age of eighty-five on Guy Fawkes Day, November 5, 1962 *ev.* (and not as mostly stated on May 11), and was buried in Srinagar at the European cemetery at the Sheikh Bagh – a Christian cemetery on the banks of the Jhelum River.

letters, please
HARRIS.—On Nov. 5, died peacefully at Srinagar, Kashmir, India, Lady FRIEDA HARRIS, widow of Sir Percy Harris (Bart.), daughter of J Astley Bloxham, F.R.C.S. Buried at Christian Cemetery Srinagar, her last wish, on Nov. 6. All inquiries to Lionel Lemon & Co., 10 Coleman Street, London, E.C.2.
HAWKINS.—On Nov. 2, 1962, in hospital

Mentioning of the death of Frieda Harris in *The Daily Telegraph and Morning Post* (London, England, Friday, Nov. 9, 1962, p. 26.)



I notice that the late Eileen Hewson FRGS, a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society, London, who had travelled to the remote areas of the Himalaya for over 40 years, in 2008 E.V. published the book *Graveyards in Kashmir, India* (Kabristan Archives, 2008.), and here she mentioned Frieda Harris's grave [the grave is in New Plot Central, Srinagar Cemetery]:

"HARRIS

(Grave 58. Inscription. British Christian)

MARGUERITE FRIEDA HARRIS died November 5th 1962.

Fear no more the heat

Of the sun

The winter's furious

Rages.

LADY FRIEDA HARRIS died aged 86 years."*

Note that it is stated that she "died aged 86 years", however, she was born on August 13, 1877 (according to the Register of Births), and died on November 5, 1962 E.V., thus at the age of 85. The verse is apparently inspired by these words from William Shakespeare's play *Cymbeline* (Act. IV.; Scene II. – Before the cave. Song.):

*Fear no more the heat o'the sun,
Nor the furious winter's rages;*

It seems that Frieda Harris's family sometime after her death placed the stone on her grave.



Frieda Harris (Lady Harris), née Marguerite Frieda Bloxam (1877-1962)

* Eileen Hewson. *Graveyards in Kashmir, India*. Wem, Shropshire, England: Kabristan Archives, 2008, p. 73.