

if he was born towards the end of a year, which indeed he was (eighth moon). If a man is born on the last day of the year he is two years old the very next day according to Chinese methods of counting, which, I suppose, include the ten months which they consider are spent in the womb." (E. H. PARKER, *As. Quart. Rev.*, Jan., 1904, pp. 137-139.)

XI., p. 370, n. 13.

The character *King* in *King-shan* is not the one representing Court 京 but 景.—Read "Wan-sui-Shan" instead of *Wan-su-Shan*.

XII., p. 380.

Keshikten has nothing to do with *Kalchi*. (PELLIOT.)

XVIII., p. 398.

THE CHEETA, OR HUNTING LEOPARD.

Cf. Chapters on Hunting Dogs and Cheetas, being an extract from the "*Kitab*" *l-Bazyarah*," a treatise on Falconry, by *Ibn Kustrajim*, an Arab writer of the Tenth Century. By Lieut.-Colonel D. C. Phillott and Mr. R. F. Azoo (*Fourn. and Proc. Asiatic Soc. Bengal*, Jan., 1907, pp. 47-50):

"The cheeta is the offspring of a lioness, by a leopard that coerces her, and, for this reason, cheetas are sterile like mules and all other hybrids. No animal of the same size is as weighty as the cheeta. It is the most somnolent animal on earth. The best are those that are 'hollow-bellied,' roach backed, and have deep black spots on a dark tawny ground, the spots on the back being close to each other; that have the eyes blood-shot, small and narrow; the mouth 'deep and laughing'; broad foreheads; thick necks; the black line from the eyes long; and the fangs far apart from each other. The fully mature animal is more useful for sporting purposes than the cub; and the females are better at hunting than are the males, and such is the case with all beasts and birds of prey."

See Hippolyte Boussac, *Le Guépard dans l'Égypte ancienne* (*La Nature*, 21st March, 1908, pp. 248-250).

XIX., p. 400 n. Instead of *Hoy tiao*, read *Hey tiao* (*Hei tiao*).

XIX., p. 400. "These two are styled *Chinuchi* (or *Cunichi*), which is as much as to say, 'The Keepers of the Mastiff Dogs.'"

Dr. Laufer writes to me: "The word *chinuchi* is a Mongol