Just what this child ate (except as we would supply) from early morning to sunset or where he lived was a mystery to us. And in face of this he kept in perfect health and so remarkable for a child who smoked so many of our stub cigarettes. To get his temper up was serious and particularly true when the flow of names would start flowing out. Our American soldiers language and morality is dangerously bad but Johnny was so far ahead that he rarely had to refer to our ways to punctuate his own actions. We may be winning the war in one respect but at the same time are leaving a wake of American customs and habits that will take years to rectify for whoever follows for the reconstruction. Johnny is only one of hundreds of Arabian childrens who exprees such cleverness and intelligence of action. I say give them a chance: as they are really pretty smart people.

I have noticed one physical aptitude of these people that was interesting and that is in the manner of movement when speed and quick decision is uppermost. This lack of agility was presented during a fight between 2 Arabs and a couple of Frenchmen. This fight was started by one cart trying to pass another, the latter instead giving the former a run for his money. (Much like the incident crossing the bench during an icy spell when a car of young fellows refused to allow us to pass - I think you will remember). Well it finally ended in a good free for all by the occupants of both carts - men & women alike. The French of course were quick & agile, like an American boxer while the Arabs conducted their fighting as would one of our young American boys who had not yet reached the stage of muscular coordination. The native blows are no doubt powerful but oh how awkward. (same type of movement in running) But then again some of the most intelligent fellows I know have this same type of physical inadequacy.

Since the time I visited Field Museum, and studied the statues of the races of man, have developed a keen liking for these African and Arabian peoples. There is something in their faces that is most remarkable and suggestive of the powerful. Along with their fine facial features is found a quality of skin texture that is most interesting - a dark bronze brownish black that stands out