
KaRBal Khan

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KARBAL KHAN THE STRONG MAN

(Stories collected by F. W. Skemp I.C.S. in 1917 AD)

Karbal khan was poor and hungry, and a very strong man. When the news of any one's marriage feast reached him, he would go and forcibly eat up all the food prepared for the feast. Nobody dared go near him; although a hundred in their prime were there, they were no match for Karbal Khan. They would go and complain to Muzaffar Khan; and Muzaffar Khan would tell them to seize him and bring him up. When he was awake, he was stronger than the people, and could not be taken; but when he was asleep on his charpoy, they would bind him with ropes, and carry him to the Khan. On the road, Karbal Khan would wake up from the noise mad by little boys who saw him. Raising himself and exerting his strength, he would break the ropes and escape. People never succeeded in bringing him before the Khan.

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