

MOSLEM FESTIVAL AT WOKING.

ABRAHAM'S SACRIFICE.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

About two hundred Mussulmans commemorated the festival of Eid-el-Azha Qurban Bairam at Woking yesterday. The feast celebrates the sacrifice of Abraham, venerated alike by Jews, Christians, and Mussulmans. After the picturesque scene of the initial prayer on the lawn before the mosque an impressive declaration of faith was made by Princess Hassan, an American by birth and an Egyptian by marriage.

Those present included the Imam (his Holiness the Khawaja Kamal-ed-Din) who addressed the gathering, Lord Headley (chief of the English Mussulmans), the Turkish Chargé d'Affaires, the Persian Ambassador, the Persian Consul in London, his Highness the Amir-ul-Saltanek (of the Persian Royal family), Sahibzada Aftab Ahmed Khan (member of the Council of the Secretary of State for India), and his brother Sahibzada Sultan Ahmed (Minister of Gwalior).

The day's proceedings laid emphasis on the Biblical fact that the sacrifice made by Abraham called forth the Divine injunction forbidding human sacrifice. Included in the gathering were about fifty English Mussulmans many of whom were women.