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Letters to the Editor.

The Secret of the Sphinx.

Letter to the Editor of the Pall Mall Gazette. 15 March 1913.

Sir,—I notice a letter in your columns stating that the Crux Ansata is a Phallic emblem. It is most necessary to correct this statement. It is now universally admitted that the Crux Ansata is merely a sandal-strap. At the foot of many mummy cases a pair of such straps, accompanied by the hieroglyphic for sandal-strap, is shown. The credit of this discovery is due to Mr. Battiscombe Gunn. Simple as it appears, it is one of the most important in the history of Egyptology.—I am, dear Sir, your obedient servant.

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