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Meshedi Cafer and the
Miraculous Slaughter Houses of Persia

One day at the coffee house, Meshedi Cafer and his friends were talking with a man from Chicago. "My," said the visitor, "the slaughter houses in Chicago are remarkable places! Go in to watch the machines, and you wouldn't believe it. You see a cow going into the machine, alive and healthy, fifteen minutes later you see it come out in steaks and hamburgers and hot dogs. Think of it!"

Well, Meshedi Cafer had to have an answer for that one. "Hmn, that is remarkable," he said. "But, you know, we have an even more remarkable machine in Teheran. You stand at the hot dogs being fed into it. And in less than ten minutes, out of the other end of this powerful machine you see a cow come, all alive and healthy!"