

## COTTON FIELDS IN AFRICA.

Successful Experiments Made by Two American Negroes.

(Chicago Record-Herald.)

There is an interesting fact in the industrial development of Germany which has a direct bearing upon an important social problem in the United States. The German textile manufacturers are dependent upon the United States for raw cotton, although in the German possessions in Africa there is an immense area capable of producing that staple.

German agents at the Paris Exposition, having observed the exhibit of the Tuskegee Industrial Institute, applied to Booker Washington for expert negro planters to teach the natives how to farm the land. Mr. Washington recommended two of his graduates, named Harris and Calloway. They were sent to Africa, and have been there about eighteen months, during which time they have not only demonstrated their own usefulness, but have shown that it is possible to grow cotton, corn, peanuts and other important staples by the aid of native African labor. The report of their first year's observations is very interesting, the possibilities are enormous, and promise a wide field of labor for negro emigrants from the southern part of the United States.

The colonies of southern negroes which Bishop Turner and others have sent to Liberia have failed because that republic is destitute of capital and has an excess of labor. The immigrants who have gone there from the United States have found no opportunities of employment, and no market for the produce raised by their own labor. In the German African possessions the situation is reversed. An abundance of capital can be furnished by the manufacturers of Germany, but the native labor is ignorant and incompetent, and therefore useless without intelligent direction from experienced men. Germany now imports nearly \$100,000,000 of raw cotton from the United States and other foreign countries, hence the inducement to develop the industry upon its own soil may be appreciated.

## TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box.

## PHILADELPHIA'S OLD MINT.

Plans for the Preservation of the Classic and Historic Structure.

(Philadelphia Ledger.)

Respecting the proposed sale of the old United States Mint, the Record deprecates the sentiment that would make merchandise of a classic and historic structure, and it prefers that the edifice shall be restored to its original aspect and permanently preserved as a landmark. The Ledger concurs in these views. It is true that when congress was prevailed upon to appropriate for a new mint building there was an understanding that the Chestnut street site should be sold to recoup the treasury for the expense of the new institution. Without such an understanding, it is doubtful whether congress would have made the appropriation, as there existed considerable jealousy against Philadelphia. Under present conditions, however, it is possible to withdraw the old mint from sale, and yet maintain the spirit of the understanding respecting the compensation to the treasury for the expense of the new mint.

The fact is that both the Custom House and Postoffice buildings are inadequate for the purposes to which they are now put. In particular, the capacity of the Postoffice building is overtaxed by the various governmental departments that occupy its chambers. It will be necessary for congress in the near future to acquire additional room, perhaps to rebuild extensively on the Custom House site, unless the old mint structure be retained and used as quarters for such agencies as the pension office, the internal revenue office or the like. It would be good policy to transform the old mint building into its former self by the removal of the architectural botches that disfigure it, and maintain it forever, not merely as an ornament, but as the habitation of government agencies now huddled together elsewhere.

## ADVICE TO A YOUNG MAN.

(By Edward Bok, Editor of Ladies' Home Journal.)

The final essential I would urge upon a young man just entering married life is the importance of insuring his life for the benefit of his wife. No matter how considerate a husband may be of his wife when he is at her side and able to provide for her, he cannot afford to lose sight of the future. I know it is not easy, nor perhaps is it natural for a young man just entering the state of married life to think at its very outset, of its earthly dissolution. But, nevertheless, all the elements of love, consideration and foresight come in to make this step the wisest one which a young man can take. Making provision for the future of those we love is one of the highest things we are capable of doing in this world. It is the ordinary and not the wise man who simply thinks of the present. But we are a bit larger and wiser when with the present we think of the future that lies beyond. Many a woman has been lovingly cared for by her husband while he was with her, only to awaken heartbroken some day with the double grief of the taking away of her husband and the support of herself and

her children. A man cannot control the former, but he can avoid the latter. Many a woman has gone through tortures of suffering by the lack of foresight of a devoted husband—devoted in all save the one thought of what she should do when he was no more.

## YORK ELECTION.

Mr. Gibson Won By a Magnificent Majority.

FREDERICKTON, Dec. 28.—Today's election returns were quite naturally received by the liberals with every manifestation of joy. Mr. Gibson, who stood at the poll at Marysville, came to the city early in the evening, and was hailed about town in a barouche by enthusiastic admirers. He addressed a meeting at the party headquarters, which meeting was also addressed by Alex. Gibson, sr., Rev. W. W. Brewer, J. D. Phinney, R. W. McLeod and others, and the member-elect afterwards held an informal reception at the Queen hotel. He received congratulatory telegrams from all parts of Canada.

The figures were as follows:

	Gibson.	McLeod.
Frederickton	603	23
New Maryland	22	32
Kingsclear	137	50
Cork	8	9
Harvey	114	70
Prince William	67	43
Adams	41	45
Canterbury	22	35
Canterbury Front	162	38
North Lake	45	66
Marysville	277	42
Nashua Village	126	55
Gibson	238	238
Douglas North	67	66
Mouth Keswick	94	95
Bright Back	49	41
Bright Front	59	59
Queensbury	48	49
Queensbury Back	38	38
Southampton	71	69
Temperance Lake	66	72
Millville	17	38
Bloomfield Ridge	26	27
Stanley Village	140	156
Totals	2738	1928

Gibson's majority is 810, with Blaney Ridge, Norton Dale and Brockway to boot, from which will increase Gibson's majority by about 27.

FREDERICKTON, N. B., Dec. 30.—There is no election aftermath of special interest. Blaney Ridge gives Gibson a majority of two and Nondendale adds three. His majority now is 815, with Brockway to boot. The conservatives are taking the defeat in a manly fashion and seem to think Gibson did well considering the forces used and influences exerted against him. Whether or not the election will be protested is yet to be decided. Both parties concede that the election was the most orderly and most quietly conducted ever held in the county.

WANTED.—A case of Headache that KUMFORT Powders will not cure in from ten to twenty minutes.

## MOUNTED RIFLES.

OTTAWA, Dec. 29.—The war office has cabled its approval of the appointment of the following additional officers to the Canadian Mounted Rifles: One major, an assistant surgeon, one assistant veterinary officer, an assistant adjutant, a paymaster and an armorer. Dr. Duff of Kingston is mentioned for assistant surgeon. Sergt. Moir, late of the Strathcona Horse, will likely be chosen paymaster, and Robert Donaldson of the military stores as armorer. The war office message states that the regiment will be under control of the general officer commanding the Canadian militia until after the departure of the transports.

Gen. O'Grady-Haly's term of office expires 31st Dec., and the war office approval of his continuance has not yet been received. An order in council was passed some weeks ago suggesting that his term be extended to June 30th.

The sergeants of the Canadian Mounted Rifles gave a smoker at the mess rooms, under the grand stand, at the exhibition grounds, last night, to the sergeants of all corps in Halifax. Over a hundred were present, notwithstanding the big storm, and those who tramped through the snow to the concentration camp were rewarded by the splendid reception they received. A programme consisting of songs, speeches, recitations and instrumental music, was rendered. The sergeants of the C. M. Rifles proved themselves to be splendid entertainers.

## COOK EATEN BY MISTAKE.

Hawaiian Chiefs Explain the Accident That Happened to the Navigator.

The oft-repeated tale of how the Sandwich Islanders ate Capt. Cook, the famous English explorer, has caused some of the old chiefs and chieftesses to make an emphatic denial of the charge of cannibalism, and to correct history from traditions handed down from generation to generation. According to this new version Capt. Cook was killed and part of his body eaten, but it was by children and under a mistaken impression that the calabash which contained the famous explorer's body held nothing more than pig.

The story is that the body was cut up with a view to making an offering to the gods, and that the pieces were placed in a separate calabash as an offering to the god of the sea. They were discovered by some children who ate the flesh under the impression that it was pig.

The natives still point out the spot on Kona, Hawaii, where it is said to have taken place.

BERLIN, Ont., Dec. 29.—Miss Hammerley took an overdose of carbolic acid solution for sore throat. It killed her.

## SHIPPING NEWS.

PORT OF ST. JOHN.

Arrived.  
Stmr. Lake Ontario, 2741, Evans, Liverpool, via Halifax, cargo and passengers; Troop & Son.  
Stmr. Usher, 2360, Cann, from Capetown via Bermuda, Wm. Thomson & Co., ball.  
Coastwise—Schrs. Wanta, from Annapolis; Hattie McKay, from Parrsboro; E. Mayfield, from Parrsboro; Porpoise, from Grand Harbor; St. Clare, from Grand Harbor.  
Cleared.  
Coastwise—Sch. Meteor, for North Head.

## LATE SHIP NEWS.

Domestic Ports.  
HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 29.—Arrived, str Duncan, from St. John, N. F., for New York.  
British Ports.  
GLASGOW, Dec. 27—Arrd, str Amaranthia, from St. John.  
PERTHAW, Dec. 25—Arrd, bark Ole Dundas, from Tuxet, N. B., via Swansea.  
BURNES AYRES, Dec. 20—Sld, bark Sunay South, McDonald, for New York.  
VINEYARD AVENUE, Dec. 28—Arrd, wh. Thistle, from Northport for St. John.

## Foreign Ports.

PORTLAND, Dec. 28—Cld, schs Domietta, Sld, str Dominion, for Liverpool.  
ST VINCENT, C. V., Dec. 25—Sld, str Lord Erme, from St. John for Cape Town.  
CITY ISLAND, Dec. 25—Bound south, schs Charley Buckle, from Two Rivers, N. B.; Etta Irishman, from St. John; A. P. Emerson, from St. John.  
BOSTON, Dec. 28—Arrd, str Sylvania, from Liverpool.  
Sld, strs Iberian, for Liverpool (returned with 1st to port); Sachem, from do; Irishman, from do; Ivernian, from do; Bonavista, from Halifax.

## Reports.

HIGHLAND LIGHT, Mass., Dec. 29.—The mail steamer, Capt. Briggs, of Bangor, Maine, arrived, drifted ashore, and was abandoned off Nauset Light Saving Station. At three o'clock this morning, Captain Briggs and his crew of the Nauset station were promptly on the scene and in the darkness, being unable to discover that the vessel was abandoned, shot three times over her. When daylight came it was seen that there was no one on board. The vessel's bowsprit was gone with everything attached, which is evidence of a collision and a hasty abandonment of the vessel by her crew. Her face, main and mizzen sails are hoisted. The vessel's boat drifted ashore on the beach. Later the vessel broke up and the wreckage is scattered along the beach. A strong southeast gale with rain and rough sea prevails. The mail Briggs was on a passage from St. John, N. B., for New York, laden with granite. She put into Salem, Mass., on the 23rd inst., and left there three days later for her destination. She was built in Brewer, Maine, in 1875, and was 218 tons net register. Her length was 112 feet 4 inches, 29 feet 4 inches in breadth of beam, and 10 feet 4 inches depth of hold.

## COMMERCIAL.

DAILY QUOTATIONS.

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	day's.	Today's.
Amalg. Copper	71	70 1/2
Am. Cotton Oil	100	99 1/2
Am. Sugar	11 1/2	11 1/2
A. T. and S. O. P.	80 1/2	79 1/2
A. T. and S. O. P.	102 1/2	102 1/2
Balt. and Ohio	106 1/2	106 1/2
Balt. and Ohio	106 1/2	106 1/2
Canadian Pac.	113 1/2	113 1/2
Ches. and Ohio	106 1/2	106 1/2
C. R. and P.	106 1/2	106 1/2
C. R. and P.	106 1/2	106 1/2
C. and Great West	23 1/2	23 1/2
Denver and Rio G.	21 1/2	21 1/2
Den. and R. G. pfd.	41 1/2	41 1/2
Erie	41 1/2	41 1/2
Erie	41 1/2	41 1/2
Gen. Electric	23 1/2	23 1/2
Illinois Central	129 1/2	129 1/2
Louis and Nash	106 1/2	106 1/2
Manhattan Ry.	137 1/2	137 1/2
Metropolitan Ry.	162 1/2	162 1/2
M. K. and T. pfd.	42 1/2	42 1/2
N. Y. Central	106 1/2	106 1/2
N. Y. C. and West	106 1/2	106 1/2
Norfolk and West.	57 1/2	57 1/2
Penn. Ry. R.	149 1/2	149 1/2
Pac. Mail S. S.	150 1/2	150 1/2
P. and N. E. C.	103 1/2	103 1/2
Reading	54 1/2	54 1/2
Read. Co. 1st pfd.	52 1/2	52 1/2
Read. Co. 2nd pfd.	62 1/2	62 1/2
South Pacific Co.	60 1/2	60 1/2
South Railroad	33 1/2	33 1/2
Tenn. C. and Iron	64 1/2	64 1/2
Texas and Pac.	38 1/2	38 1/2
Union Pac.	106 1/2	106 1/2
Union Pac. pfd.	89 1/2	89 1/2
U. S. Leather	11 1/2	11 1/2
U. S. Steel	42 1/2	42 1/2
U. S. Steel Pref.	93 1/2	93 1/2
Wabash	22 1/2	22 1/2
Wabash pfd.	91 1/2	91 1/2
West. Union Tel.	91 1/2	91 1/2

## CONSOLIDATION.

(New York Sun.)

When the man discovered it was his wife he had kissed, and not the cook, he was extremely cast down.

It was like the brave little woman to try to comfort him.

"Cheer up, dear," said she. "Only think how much better it is than if you had mistaken the cook for me and spoken harshly to her!"

Red Rose tea suits the taste of more people than any other tea on this market.

## MARRIAGES.

BAXTER-LEE—Dec. 26th, 1901, at the house of Joseph Henderson, Fairville, N. B., by Rev. W. R. Thompson, Minister of the Baptist Church, Mr. Baxter and Miss Sarah Lee, both of Fairville.

## DEATHS.

STONE.—At her home, German street, on the 27th inst., Jessie B., beloved wife of A. R. Stone.  
Funeral at 2:30 Tuesday, West End.

ERVINE.—At Charlton, West End, on Dec. 29th, after a lingering illness, William G. Ervine, aged 51 years, leaving three sons and two daughters to mourn their loss.  
Funeral will take place on Tuesday from his residence, King street, West. Service at two; funeral at half past two o'clock.

WHITTAKER.—Suddenly, on Dec. 28th, at 24 Dorchester street, Elizabeth, beloved wife of James H. Whittaker, passed quietly into the arms of her Father.

Notice of funeral hereafter.

MORRILL.—In this city December 28th, Captain James W. Morrill, in the 75th year of his age.

## SPORTING NEWS.

BASEBALL.

Fred Clarke, manager of the champion Pittsburgh, pennant winner of the National League feels fairly confident that his club will repeat its recent performance next season, and is delighted over the present composition of his team. "The only thing that will bother us," said Fred, "will be cutting down to the sixteen men. You see, with a rule of that kind you can carry a pitcher, three catchers the regular in and out and sixteen men were carrying last fall and have added Merritt, Smith and Conroy. Take out Yeager and we still have eighteen men. All of championship quality, for Smith and Conroy are as good as they grow."  
Mages, the pitcher, who was with Worcester last season, is figuring in a romance as the appended special from Worcester, which will show—William Mages, the well-known baseball pitcher, and Miss Catherine Carberry, daughter of John Carberry, were making for several days, and it is believed they have eloped. Thursday night Mages, who has been boarding at the Carberry home, was seen to board the 12:30 train for New York, accompanied by Miss Carberry. Mages came to Worcester in 1900. Previous to this he had pitched for Louisville and Philadelphia. Miss Carberry is highly respected here, and her sudden departure is a source of wonder.

## THE RING.

Tommy Ryan, the middleweight, who has refused to fight Joe Walcott, is now anxious to tackle Tom Sharkey in the roped arena. Ryan looks upon Sharkey as the easiest kind of a mark for him, and is willing to accept any suitable purse that is offered him and the ex-sluggish. In speaking of the matter recently Ryan said—"I would like to fight Sharkey because I think he is easy for me. I see that Sharkey is after a match with Jim Jeffries. He ought to leave the champion alone, I am surprised that Jeffries ever noticed him in view of the fact that he has already fought him. I would like to see them take me on I feel confident that we will not have much trouble in bringing about a fight. I would like to see them, as I am contemplating a trip to England next year. I have received an offer to box Kid McCoy and the old O'Brien of Philadelphia before the National Sporting Club of London, and if I get what I want I will accept, but I would rather clash with Sharkey, just to show him that I am his master."

## THE TURF.

Sheephead Stakes.  
NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—The Coney Island Jockey Club has issued a list of stakes, four in all, which will be decided next year at Sheephead Bay. There are 25 stakes for the spring and fall meeting.

## JIM TRIMBLE GOT AWAY.

Thereby Causing Great Disappointment to Uncle Sam Whitney.

Uncle Sam Whitney, as the old mountaineer was called, had been telling me about the country fair and how his mule took a prize, but he suddenly stopped and uttered such a sigh that I knew there was more to come and asked what it was.

"Jim Trimble was there," he replied. "Well, what of it?"

"The Whitneys and the Trimbles don't hitch up and haven't for twenty years past."

"I reckon that's what you'd call it, though it 'pears mo' like a shootin' match to me. The Whitneys have got the lot of the Trimbles, and the Trimbles have got about the same of the Whitneys; nobody of any account left 'cept Jim and me. He had a mule at the fair too."

"A mule was there any trouble?" I asked.

"Not much trouble," he slowly replied, "but I was mightily disappointed."

"Did you look for more prizes?"

"No, suh. That Jim 'Trimble got away from me—yes, got slick away—"

"And the Laved only knows when I may meet up with him ag'in. That he was, and that I was, but he dun got away."

"Just how do you mean, Uncle Sam?"

"Just as I said, suh—he dun got away from me."

"Was there any shooting?"

"A trifle of shootin', suh."

"And you shot at failed to bring him down?"

"That was about the way of H. I. was taken suddenly sick and fell down, and while I was lyin' thar Jim Trimble walks off. None of the family ever did do the squar' thing."

"I hadn't got the puzzle solved yet, and after a time I inquired of the old man."

"You say you were suddenly taken ill?"

"Yes, suh."

"What was the cause of it?"

"Why, them two bullets that Jim Trimble fired into me befo' he walked away, of co'se," replied the old man.

"With a look of astonishment that hadn't figured it out long befo' e.—Detroit Free Press.

H. J. DAVISON OWES \$202,997.

Henry J. Davison of Millbrook, Dutchess county, New York, has filed a petition in bankruptcy with liabilities of \$202,997 and nominal assets \$11,012. All the debts were contracted in this city from 1892 to 1896, and part of them were on account of Godey's Magazine, in which he was interested.

Of the liabilities \$1291 are secured by second mortgage bonds of the Halcyon Hall company, \$33,414 are unsecured, \$101,592 are as indorser, and \$16,000 are on accommodation paper, which Davison indorsed for Charles H. Skirm of Trenton, N. J., and which was held by the New York Guaranty Trust company.

Mr. Davison's assets consist of a note of Skirm's for \$1,000; a bicycle, \$10 and a school globe, \$2. He has clothing and an iron watch, valued at \$50, which are exempt, and \$12,000 stock in the Fairbanks Gold and Silver Mining company of Colorado, which is worthless.

Mr. Davison is a lawyer. About seven years ago he built the Halcyon hotel at Millbrook at a cost, it was said, of \$400,000.

Advertisers in the Star are reminded that to ensure insertion their copy should be handed in not later than TEN O'CLOCK in the morning.

## MORNING'S NEWS.

LOCAL.

The flavor of Red Rose tea is delicious. Are you drinking Red Rose? Dr. J. H. Frink has been appointed official veterinary inspector in connection with live stock shipments from St. John.

HALIFAX, Dec. 28.—The Intercolonial engine house in Dartmouth was destroyed by fire tonight. One engine was badly damaged.

Five carloads of oranges which arrived on the Lake Ontario were rushed through to Montreal by special train last night for the New Year trade.

Company A, Loyal Crusaders, will meet in the Temperance hall, Market building, on Tuesday afternoon at 2:30. All members are requested to be present, as there is a treat in store for them.

The non-commissioned officers of the 62nd Fusiliers will entertain their friends at their rooms in the Palmer Chambers on New Year's eve. An interesting programme has been arranged.

T. Mullen, one of the guards on the quarantined houses on Duke street, on behalf of the six quarantined families and guards wishes to thank Vanwart Brothers for substantial Christmas presents.

The annual report of John B. Jones, registrar of births, marriages and deaths, will be submitted early in January. Up to Saturday last, 817 deaths had been registered, 1,073 births and 392 marriages.

The funeral of the late Martin Whitney took place yesterday afternoon from his late residence, Sheriff street. The services were conducted by Rev. Geo. Steel and Rev. Mr. Foster. There were no pall-bearers. Interment was at Cedar Hill.

It is hoped by horsemen to have a series of races at Treadwell's on New Year's, as in former years. But that depends on the weather. Entries can be made at Stevenson's, Marsh road, should snow come and races be possible.

Two hundred and twenty-five immigrants who came out on the Lake Ontario on their way to the Canadian west were sent forward on a special fast night. An equally large number for Boston and other United States points were delayed by vaccination and other precautions, and will leave today.

The funeral of the late Ethel J. Sprague took place yesterday afternoon from her father's residence, Victoria street, to the Victoria street Free Baptist church, and thence to Cedar Hill cemetery, where the interment was made. The services were conducted by the Rev. David Long, assisted by Rev. Mr. Nobles. The pall was borne by relatives. The floral offerings were numerous.

The Beaver liner Lake Ontario arrived in port yesterday, with 517 passengers. She had a very rough passage to Halifax, and was detained there on account of the storm until Saturday morning. Of the passengers, 456 are for the United States, and about 300 were vaccinated during the afternoon and evening by Drs. T. D. Walker, G. A. B. Addy, and Shaughnessy. The Ontario is the first ship to reach St. John with the Marconi wireless telegraph apparatus on board. The operator is William Williams, a young Londoner.

A display of the naval forces of the world powers of the seas has been arranged as a part of the coronation ceremonies of King Edward next June. Edward Pigeon, one of the best known and most highly respected residents of Tay Creek, died at his home on Saturday. The deceased was born in Ireland and was a son of the late George Pigeon of Dublin and Harriet, daughter of the late Dr. Paddock of St. John. Mr. Pigeon was seventy-nine years of age and had been married to Mary Clements, daughter of the late George Clements of Douglas. He leaves no family.

## RAT STEALS \$43 IN BILLS.

Many a man lives in a house less costly than that occupied by a rat in the saloon of Stephen Szerpetauski, of South Chicago. Szerpetauski for a year has been mislaid bills from the till in his saloon at 8734 Commercial avenue. As business prospered and the bills came in faster than they went out, the saloon-keeper endured the drain with what patience he could and did not tell the police. This week, however, his patience was worn to the breaking point. In the drawer behind the bar on Monday night were left bills aggregating \$30 in value besides some coins. The next morning when Mrs. Szerpetauski opened the drawer, nothing but the coins could be seen.

"We can't stand this," the saloon-keeper said, and he began a thorough search of the room. Cupboards were upset and the sideboard was taken from its resting place. The ice box was the last article to be taken out, and under it was found a rough green ball, which was pounced upon by the saloon-keeper and his wife. It was found to contain \$43 in bills. Of these many were worn and torn to bits, but \$500 were in the original form. The rat which inhabited the house had for a year been taking the paper from the till, gaining entrance through an aperture in the back.

A South Chicago bank will send the bits of bills, representing \$142, to the sub-treasury for redemption.—Chicago Inter-Ocean.

Bark Kate F. Troop, Capt. Brown, which recently arrived at Buenos Ayres from Port Blakely, made the passage in 69 days.



**Saves Others.**  
When one of the children has diphtheria, scarlet fever, or measles, why not keep the others from having it? You can do so with our Vapo-Crescote. Put some

Crescote in the vaporizer, light the lamp beneath, and have them breathe in the vapor. This vapor destroys all the germs of disease. The contagion can't spread—you save others. It is the only known specific for whooping-cough. Ask your doctor about Vapo-Crescote.

Vapo-Crescote is sold by druggists everywhere. A Vapo-Crescote outfit, including the Vaporizer and Lamp, which should last a life-time, and a bottle of Crescote, complete, \$1.50, extra supplies of Crescote 5