France have in turn held parts of

when valuable concessions were ob-tained from the native rulers. Com-

plete British possession of the pro-vince of Burma, however, has been

obtained at the cost of three wars-1824, 1852 and 1885. The result of

the last, which cost the Indian Government £3,000,000, was the de-thronement of the despotic King

Theebaw and the final annexation of

the whole province to the capire of India. The question of unnexation

was hotly discussed in Great Britain, and it was said that it would never

pay. An estimate was made, after

the second war, which showed that in the first five years there would be a

heavy burden upon Great Britain and India. As a fact, however, a few years after the pacification and opening out of the country the an-

nual surplus yield came out at

Some Burmese Characteristics

The population of Lower Burma

including the capital, Rangoon, with 180,000 inhabitants, is 2,946,933,

and of Upper Burma, including the capital, Mandalay, with 190,000 in-habitants, 4,658,627; that of the Shan states is still unascertained.

The Burmese are robust, if some

what diminutive, and are famed for their bravery and bounce. They be-long to numerous different tribes,

who are distinguisged by a variety

of manners, languages and religions. Burma is the cradle of Buddhism —

Gaudama Buddha was born and died

in Burma. The Burmese are remarkable for their domesticity and love

of home. Filial piety is inculcated as a sacred principle. Children com-

mand general interest; there is no selling of girls, when infants, for marriage. Games and field sports of all kinds are encouraged—boxing,

football, racing, rowing, etc. Tat-tooing is universal among boys; not

to be tattooed is a mark of coward-ice or weakness. Music, dancing, ar-

tistic handicrafts and the love of flowers are all greatly in vogue. In a native house the two most con-

spicuous objects are the cradle and a

flower stand. These give indications

The schools are numerous and ex-

cellent, and as a result the Burmese

are a well-educated people. It is ex-

tremely rare to find a man who can-

not read and write. In 1898-9 a sum of £96,952 (\$484,760) was

spent by the government for educa-

The government is composed of

lieutenant-governor, a legislative council for "making laws and regu-

lations," consisting of nine mem-

bers, four being natives, and a secre-

tariat of five members. In Lower

tice with four judges, and in Upper

Tranquil Under Good Gevernment.

In ancient times the Burmese used

British-Indian rule, however,

of contracts. It has given

to say they had five enemies-fire,

water, robbers, rulers and ill-wish-

secures life and property and the ful-

new value to native enterprise and thrift. The spirit of independence is

greatly on the increase, and this is fostered by the fact that the gov-

ernment is careful to preserve the na-

tive official machinery.
With respect to the Shan states,

the lieutenant-governor in his last report says they are "tranquil and

prosperous." Dacoity is on the de-cline everywhere; indeed, in Upper

Burma it is absolutely unknown. The most troublesome class is the "ti," or gamblers; these still infest the country

districts, and by tricks with cards and dice defraud the simple-minded

The principal commercial industries are connected with rice and timber. Indigenous manufactures produce little more than what is

used on the spot. The characteristic

of Burmese work is vigor and novelty of design rather than high finish. While there is abundance of water-

ways, there is urgent need for better and more extended land communica tion. To meet this railways are in

course of construction in all direc-

The amounts received and expended in the province of Burma during the year ended Dec 31, 1899, were as follows: Receipts, £4,659,360; ex-penditures, £2,975,281. Hence Burma

is reckoned a rich province, and its excess of revenue is a useful and welcome item in the Indian imperial ex-

Digging Out Toffee.

The good ship Charing Cross, lying in the London docks, is suffering, says The London Chronicle, from what must be called a surfeit of sweetness. Starting from the far off

port of Buenos Ayres in December, the Charing Cross had in her afterhold nearly 1,000 tons of brown sugar. But from some reason or other this load of sweetness suffered

a sea change into something rich and strange, and when the vessel reached the London docks Hold No. 3 was found to be filled with rich

farmers of their savings.

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#### PROVINCE OF BURMA have pushed their way south from the mountains of Thibet, and to

EASTERMOST DIVISION OF THE EM-PIRE OF INDIA-

The Province Is Divided Into Three Parts Lower Burma, Upper Burma and the Shan Estates-The R. sources and History of the Province-Burmese Characteristics-Tranquil Under Good Gov

Edgcomb Staley, of London, author of "The Arms and Badges of the British Colonies," writes:
Burma is the easternmost province of the empire of India. It is bounded by China, Siam and the sea; the west are Assam and Bengal. It is remarkable, geographically, for noble mountain ranges and splendid navigable rivers. It possesses a rich and productive soil, with an extend-ed seaboard. The province is divided into three parts—Lower Burma, Upper Burma and the Shan states. The delta country of Lower Burma is flat, but farther inland the country is hilly, and the scenery in Up-



BURMESE LADY OF RANK.

dure and repose. The Shan states are the most mountainous. area of Lower and Upper Burma is somewhere about 171,000 square miles. The boundaries of the Shan states are not definitely fixed.

There are three seasons—rainy, cool and hot, according to the mon-soon. The rainfall at the Ruby soon. The rainfall at the Ruby mines is 103 inches per annum; at Swebo 25 inches. In May, the hottest period, the shade temperature is 110 degrees Fahrenheit at Swebo and at the Ruby mines 54 degrees Fahrenheit. In December the shade temperature varies from 86 degrees

The Resources of Burma.

Lower Burma possesses extraor dinary fertility. It is subject, how ever, to floods caused by the overflowing of the mighty Irrawadi and its tributaries. Rice is the principal crop-six-seventh's of the land is devoted to its culture. Tobacco, ton and the sugar cane also thrive well. The Burmese are content with one crop a year, and so the manure is simply the previous year's stubble which is burned and mixed with the soil. Upper Burma, which is somewhat arid, suffers severely 5 from drought. It is a fine upland rolling country, with immense tracts of for est, yielding yast supplies of teal and other valuable timber. The chief crops are rice, maize, rye, wheat, sugar cane, cotton, tobacco, tea and indigo.

The province of Burma is remark ably rich in mineral wealth. Gold, silver, copper, lead, tin, coal, iron, jade and precious stones-especially rubies and sapphires-are all found in more or less abundance. The ruby mines, which are a fruitful source of revenue to the government, are situ ated at Mugok, seventy miles north of Mandalay, the capital of Upper Burma. These gems are separated



BURMESE GENTLEMAN.

from the gravel and sand in the same way as gold. The value of the anway as gold. The value of the annual export amounts to seven lakhs of rupees. There are also large deposits of magnetic oxide which have as yet been untouched. Wells for the production of petroleum have long existed. Of live stock, cattle are the most numerous, and a considerable trade is carried on in hides.

History of the Prevince. The early history of Burma is, of course, lost in antiquity. The origin-

## subdued and incorporated the aborigines. In the year 1900 B.C. aborigines. In the year 1900 B.C. Burma was a powerful empire, quite able to resist the incursions of the Chinese and of the other reighboring nations. Magnificant ruins and relics remain to attest the splendor of that early period. Since the Christian era Portugal, Holland and France have in turn held parts.

with all members present.

The minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

A circular was received from the Canadian Bridge Co., Walkerville, soliciting order for township work. Read and filed.

Petitions

the Burmese peninsula. The first British settlement was in 1616, when

Jas. Irving submitted report that he had expended \$9.25 for assistance to Lewis, indigent. Ordered paid.

Wm. Hickey and G. C. Marshall addressed the council in reference to the electric relivery and stated that electric railway and stated that a charter had been granted to the com-pany. The road would likely run along the south side of the middle road on private lands as much as possible but would have to use the road in passing villages or cemeteries. The line would require 15 ft. or one rod in width. The company wanted the franchise to cross roads or run along same where

and filed. Wm. Abbott appeared in reference to the accident on the 14th con. road, would not state what damages he would take and settle. Finally he had agreed to furnish the council with a bill of his expenses for next meeting.

J. W. Tompkins objected to B. G. Burk acting as overseer in the village of Buxton, as his property was not in the survey. No change.

Daniel Haskell asked the council to have the fence along the road in tront of the property of David Ross removed from the road, as it was out 12 feet.

Moved by Clayton and Dolsen, that the Reeve Irving Doyle and the clerk the Reeve, Irving, Doyle and the clerk be a committee to wait on the soli citor in the matter of the electric railway, and to prepare a by-law for

next meeting.—Carried,
Moved by Doyle and Irving, that
the clerk be instructed to notify David Ross to have his fence removed from the road within thirty days.—Carried.

Moved by Clayton and Dolsen, that
in the matter of forming a new school

amine and report, etc.—Carried.

Moved by Clayton and Doyle, that
the account of Dr. Oliver \$25.00, for attendance on Mrs. Wm. McCarty be referred to the Reeve to investigate

the clerk notify the parties on the Shadd drain, that the report on said drain will be read and considered at

petitions to commute the statute labor of James Morris and Thomas Wallace be entertained and referred to the commissioner of division No. 3, to Sept. 1st next.—Carried.

Moved by Clayton and Doyle, that
J. Connor be paid \$30,66 two thirds
value of three sheep and seven lambs

killed by dogs; as per certificate of inspector.—Carried. Moved by Clayton and Irving, that the court of revision on the assessment roll be held on the 27th day of May, and the clerk give the necessary no-

tices.-Carried David Halliday was appointed arbitrator in the matter of Union S. S. No.

and account, \$55 for same, ordered to be paid. Council adjourned. A. E. ROBINSON,

It is almost as essential that table and bed linen shall be properly hung out as that they shall be well washed. If they are allowed to dry out of shape, stretchmuch more than use. Hang tablecleths and sheets evenly across the line, ends down. The warp threads are much stronger than the woof. If stretched habitually lengthwise, the things will split along the fold. Indeed, everything washable lasts longer if hung to dry so that the weight while wet comes mainly upon the long way threads.

A Postmistress General. A Postmistress General.

Few people have ever heard of a postmistress general, but one did exist and so long ago as the early part of the eighteenth century. The Countess Gildenlore, or Dorothea Krag as she was known officially, was a Dane, and she filled the office of postmistress general in her native land from 1703 to 1711. Her methods were somewhat crude, but from them were somewhat crude, but from them have sprung the present postal system of that country, which are perhaps the best in the world.

Move Your Bed From the Wall.

Another Prophecy.

An assemblage of bloomer clad ladies dined together on Jan. 1, 1851, in New York. Speeches were delivered and prophecies made that the second half of the century would witness the emancipation of woman and the reform of her dress and that before the eighteen hundreds had run out the petticoat would be universally shed. The prophecy has not been quite fulfilled.

brown toffee. For weeks past the dock laborers have been engaged in cutting out this huge coagulated mass by means of pickaxes and other Minard's Liniment Cures Colds, etc. massive implements.

### Township Councils.

RALEIGH COUNCIL.

The above council met on April 15,

factories were erected at the mouth of the Irrawadi. The first British mission from India was in 1795,

and filed.

Petitions were received to commute the statute labor of Thomas Wallace and James Morris.

A petition was received to repair the Brush drain and branches.

Also one to detatch the lands of C. H. Watts and S. Pritchard from Union S. S. No 5, and attach the same to S. S. No 5, Raleigh.

The reeve submitted the written opinion of M. Wilson, K. C., in reference to the grievance of D. A. Clark which was to the effect that the township could initiate proceedings under the D. and W. C. act.

Jas. Clayton gave notice that he

Jas. Clayton gave notice that he would introduce a by-law at next meeting authorizing the reeve to pro-

necessary.

Mr. Hickey submitted copy of description of franchise which was read

ection, no action be taken this year -Carried.

Moved by Doyle and Irving, that the petition of James Rogers and others to repair the Brush drain, be-referred to W. G. McGeorge to ex-

and report.—Carried.

Moved by Irving and Clayton, that

next meeting.—Carried.

Moved by Irving and Doyle, that the

The auditors reports were received

Clerk.

Table Linen.

ing and pulling them straight wears them much more than use. Hang tablecloths

Move Your Bed From the Wall.

Among the rules given by a physician to promote longevity is one forbidding the placing of the bed against the wall, says the Jacksonville Times-Union and Citizen. This is in accord with the advice of another scientist, who demonstrated some time ago that the layer of air within a few inches of the wall of the average bedroom, with no ventilator but the window, is not disturbed by that draft.

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