

DAKAR IS TO BE LIVERPOOL OF AFRICA

French Improving Harbor to Receive Large Vessels — Administration Sent For French West Africa.

"Dakar, which is seldom heard about, promises to be a focal point in the expected rivalry of European countries with the United States for trade with South America—a possibility that every one is hearing a great deal about just now," says a bulletin from the National Geographic Society.

The sudden interest in Dakar the bulletin states, arises from dispatches telling of proposed Paris to Brazil and Madrid to Brazil rail and water routes, and also a contemplated transatlantic aeroplane flight from Dakar to Pernambuco, Brazil.

"A glance at the map will show why Dakar holds a strategic position for South American communication," says the bulletin. "The distance from Dakar on the tip of Cape Verde to Pernambuco, the easternmost city of the South American Continent, is but 1,715 miles as compared with 3,653 miles from New York to Liverpool.

"Already Dakar is a port of prime importance for vessels which ply between European ports and either South America or Southern Africa. Recognizing this fact the French have improved the harbor, with its naval and dry dock, arsenal, torpedo boat basin and facilities for transferring cargo from boat to train. Work on a deeper harbor and a larger drydock is now under way.

"Dakar also is important to its own hinterland, for it is the seat of administration for all the French possessions in West Africa, which include besides Senegal of which Dakar is the chief city, French Guinea, the Ivory Coast, Dahomey, French Soudan and Mauritania.

"The visitor today would find a thriving city of about 25,000 persons, with wide, well laid out streets, a large technical school, hospitals and workshops, and he might have trouble imagining himself in Africa, were it not for the preponderance of swarthy natives, as compared with only about 3,500 Frenchmen.

"Less than half a century ago travelers brought back different reports. Then children could have been seen running naked about the unkempt streets, and eating pig-like, from the same bowl. Mothers performed their work with babies strapped, astride, across their backs and one writer reported that children could be bought from willing mothers for a few francs, though he did not state what one might want with the purchase.

"The men literally wore rings on their fingers and bells on their toes, not to mention amulets, beads, combs, and a surprising assortment of trinkets, mostly regarded as charms.

Natives Good Fighters.

"But the Senegalese natives are far from savage, except in their ability to fight, as many American boys learned who observed them in France. The West African tribes, such as the Berbers, the Serer, the Fula, and the Mandingo, all of which are represented in Senegal, are among the most advanced of the African natives.

"The Berbers, for example, have a history dating back to pre-historic times, which mystifies ethnologists. They are believed, by some experts, to have been at one time the masters of the Mediterranean. Today many of them, were they attired as we might pass for Americans. Their skin is light, and some of them are blondes.

"Many times have the Berbers been conquered, driven out of their homelands, and, like the Jews, have become strangers in new lands, but they always maintain their racial identity, their physical characteristics, and a persistent love of freedom. Their women, like those of ancient Sparta and modern Russia, have fought by their husbands' sides, and their morality may be judged from the fact that the death penalty is administered for adultery. They have what amounts to universal male suffrage, though an assembly of all males, and the equivalent of universal military training, since each boy is equipped, when sixteen, with arms which he must be ready to use until he is sixty.

"A novice can tell a light skinned Berber from a Wolof, 'black of the blacks'. Both Dakar and St. Louis former capital of Senegal, are in the Wolof region. These ebony hued folk worship animals, revere sharks especially, but their poetic imagination is illustrated by the ceremony still preserved in crowning the King of Cayor, an old state recognized by the French government. After election the monarch is presented with a vase, in which are seeds of all the plants grown in the kingdom, signifying that he is 'lord of the land.'

"In Dakar, too, towering head and shoulders above the French and well above the natives, may be seen Serers. Their worship holds the snake in veneration, and they believe in transmigration of souls. Six feet six inches is no uncommon height for them.

"Perhaps the most intelligent of all the Senegalese natives are the Fulas, whose folk tales betray lofty ideals and poetic imagery that is comparable with early Greek and Norse lore. Their horsemanship is famous and their cavalry noted for daring and valor. The intelligence of their women and the respect accorded them is attested by the proverb: 'Let a female slave enter a household and she soon becomes mistress.'

"It was the Berbers whom General Faidherbe, the French governor, had to subdue in the 50's of the last century before he could accomplish the inland advance of the French and assure protection for the coast settlements. This he paved the way for the founding of Dakar, in 1862. That city's commercial importance dates from the building of a railway line connecting it with St. Louis, 163 miles to the north-east."

SUPER EGGS COMING.

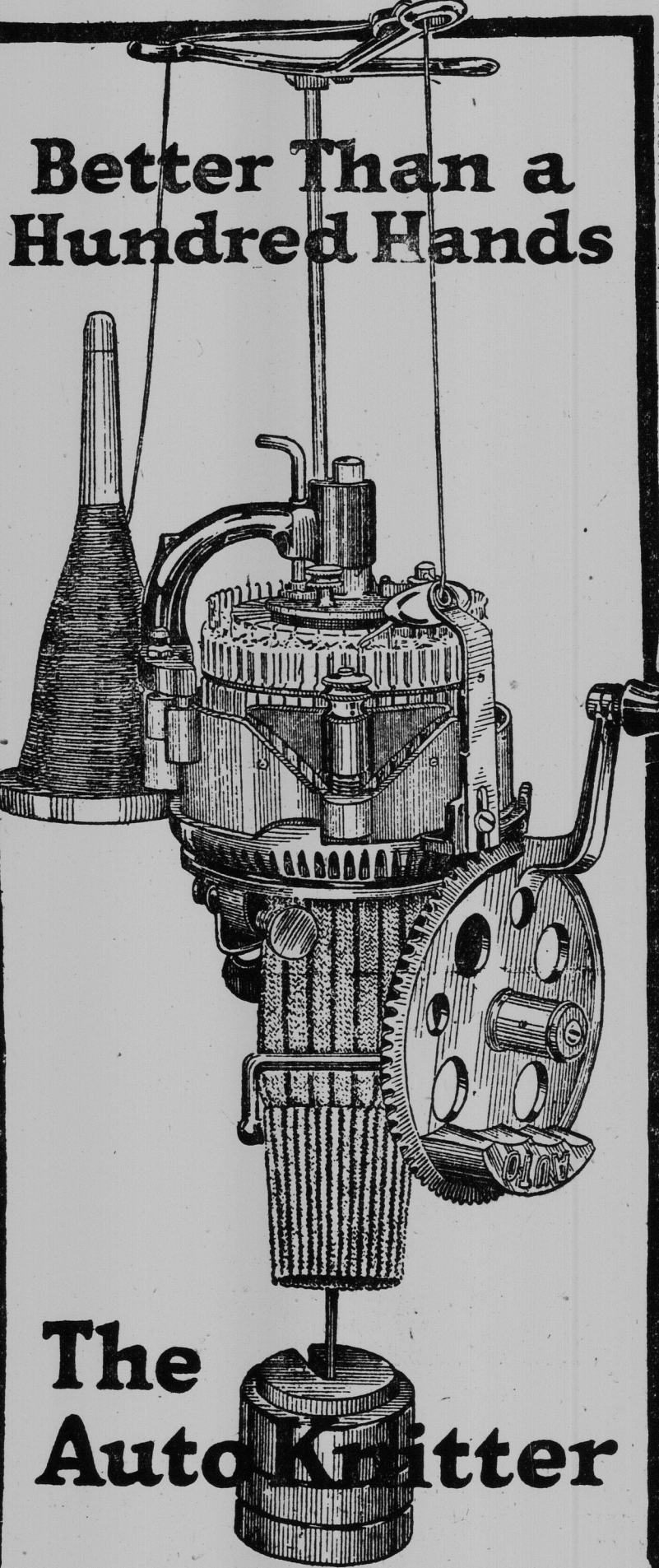
Cleveland, O., Oct. 18.—Hen eggs two or three times as big as the ordinary farmyard variety are coming in the near future, according to Alton E. Briggs, a Boston, Mass., president of the National Poultry, Eggs and Butter Association. Hens also will be twice as large as they now are being developed by breeders.

WOMAN PICKPOCKET AT 83.

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With every Auto Knitter we send a supply of wool yarn FREE. We also supply FREE, the yarn needed to replace that which is used in making the socks you send us.

The yarn we supply is made specially for the Auto Knitter. It is the softest and warmest, and uniformity in quality, weight and shade is always obtainable.

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The Auto Knitter gives you the opportunity to make money during your spare time. It also gives you a chance to devote your entire time to the business, and this—to be independent of bosses, rules, time clocks, working hours, etc. Our Wage Contract is in no sense a disguised "canvassing scheme," "agency," or "open-a-store" proposition. Here is the proof—read the evidence from some of our workers:

I have sent you today by Express four dozen pairs of socks. I thank you for your promptness in returning replacement yarn and wages, which always come by return mail. Woodstock, Ont.

I am today forwarding to you by Express (charges collect) ten dozen pairs of socks, which I have knitted on the Auto Knitter. Regina, Sask.

I am sending you 51 pairs of socks today by Express. Please send replacement yarn and Money Order for wages. Brantford, Ont.

I am sending you 12 dozen pairs of socks this morning by Express. I enclose wage receipt for last shipment. Return replacement yarn as usual. Waldemar, Ont.

I am this day sending you four dozen pairs of socks by Express. I must say the machine

is all you claim for it—simple to understand and easy to work. St. Catharines, Ont.

I have sent today by Registered Parcel Post 42 pairs of socks. Please send replacement yarn and also send yarn for wages in lieu of cash. Court, Sask.

I am shipping to you today 18 dozen (216 pairs) of socks, Express charges collect. Please send replacement yarn and also yarn for wages due me as usual. Vancouver, B. C.

I am sending by Express four dozen pairs of socks. Will you kindly make the replacement yarn up to (12) lbs, and send the rest of wages due me in cash. Montreal, Que.

I am sending by Express 54 pairs of socks. Please send wages due in cash and return replacement yarn. I think the machine is wonderful, and I also think the pay is very good. Galt, Ont.

I am sending eighteen (18) dozen pairs of socks by Express, charges collect. I like the work as it passes many a dull hour away, and I can knit two pairs of socks in an hour. Fernie, B. C.

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