

murdered, and his comrade being subsequently killed in a battle with a rival tribe, Connell, for his bravery, is elevated to the sovereignty of the tribe.

After many other adventures, Dr. Coulter rejoins his old ship, the "Stratford," at Taliti, and returns in her to England.

*A Letter on Cotton Cultivation in India, as affected by the East India Company's Salt Monopoly.* By D. C. Aylwin, Esq. London: James Madden.

MR. AYLWIN, who is the prime mover in this country on the salt question, loses no opportunity of enunciating his views of the injustice of the odious Government monopoly of salt in India.

In the present pamphlet he labours effectually to prove that if the monopoly were abolished Eastern India could successfully compete with America in the production of cotton. Mr. Aylwin is of opinion that taking into consideration the facility of transit, the adaptation of climate and sufficiency of congenial soil, abundance and cheapness of labour, Eastern India will be enabled to rival the United States in the production of cotton, in the same manner as she is now competing with the West Indies in the cultivation of sugar, and has for many years superseded South America in the manufacture of indigo. The subject of cotton cultivation in the East is one in which we take deep interest, and to which we shall endeavour shortly to recur more at length.

*De Bow's Commercial Review of the South and West.* J. C. Morgan: New Orleans.

THE April, June, and July numbers of this useful publication have reached us, and we are pleased to notice a marked improvement both in the getting up and contents of the work. One of the articles, entitled a "Few Notes for Sugar Planters," we would gladly have noticed at some length, but that information on this subject is at present pressing upon us from many quarters. Mr. De Bow we hear is bringing out a work on Sugar and Cotton Cultivation, which we expect to find an important acquisition to the planter, from the many sources of information at his command, and the great care with which he discusses and elaborates his subjects in all their bearings. The "Commercial Review" is fast taking up the position in the Southern and Western States, which "Hunt's Merchants' Magazine" has attained in the Eastern States. There is ample room for both in the wide and extended field of the United States; and they will rather assist than interfere with each other, by developing the resources of the different States, and drawing forth the business talent of the many able writers of America.

*The Sugar-Planter's Manual; being a Treatise on the Art of obtaining Sugar from the Sugar-cane.* By W. J. Evans, M.D. London: Longman and Co., pp. 244.

THIS is a work, the want of which has long been felt, treating exclusively of the manufacture of sugar, by scientific processes, from the juice of the cane. The object of Dr. Evans, as stated by himself, is to supply the British sugar-planter with the means of acquiring a knowledge of those principles which ought to guide him in the art of making sugar. No man could be better qualified for the task he has undertaken, of which he has acquitted himself in a most able manner. Practically acquainted with all the processes in use, having visited the West Indies, Madeira, &c., to judge for himself of the imperfections of the existing systems, he brings his experience to bear in his advice and remarks, and his name has already been before the public in connexion with the new pan for concentrating syrup at a low temperature over the open fire, and at the ordinary pressure of the atmosphere, which was patented some time ago by Mr. A. Gadesden, one of the most intelligent sugar-refiners of London. It has long been advanced as a taunt against the West Indians, that they have sat with folded arms, neglecting to avail themselves of those scientific appliances, improvements, and discoveries, which were day by day being made known.

The injustice of this charge could easily be shown, but we will not grapple with it in this place. Suffice it to say that the ignorance which formerly prevailed is fast giving place to a more enlightened knowledge of the theory and principles, both of agricultural chemistry and the best processes for the manufacture of sugar and rum.