

## A BILLIONAIRE.

Beit, the Diamond King, is the Richest Man in the World.

Alfred Beit, who is about to form a trust to "corner" the world's gold supply, will, it is said shortly take unto himself an American wife in the person of Mrs. Odolf Ladenburg, the beautiful widow of the late New York banker, who was lost at sea a few years ago.

Beit is the richest man in the world. As far as personal wealth is concerned, he could buy out all the monarchs of Europe and never know that he had passed through any extraordinary transaction. The immense possessions of American millionaires are small matters when compared with Beit's wonderful wealth.

Millionaire is a big word, but it doesn't fit Mr. Beit. He is a billionaire, and, if he desired to do so, he could so handle his property as to become a trillionaire in a short time. He has all he cares for, and if he can avoid attracting too much attention to himself he will make no complaint.

### MADE IN SOUTH AFRICA.

All of Beit's wealth has been produced and accumulated in South Africa. He is the brains and the biggest part of the diamond trust, and the principal owner of the famous De Beers diamond mines at Kimberley and of the gold mines farther north.

His partner is Cecil Rhodes the South African imperialist, and exploiter, but Rhodes is only an incident in the diamond line when compared with Beit. Rhodes was a late comer, and the ingenious German had all but completed the work of organization when the Hon. Cecil put in his appearance at Kimberley.

Mr. Beit is 47 years old. His father was a well to do merchant in Hamburg 25 years ago, and Alfred was a clerk in the concern. About that time the South African excitement began to grow important, and the Hamburg merchant was asked for large credits by business men near the diamond fields.

Alfred Beit was then 22, shrewd, capable, cautious and precocious. His father sent him out to South Africa to investigate the general state of business there and to determine whether the trade demanded the credits and if the credits were good.

Thoroughly equipped with funds, arms, letters of introduction and other useful things, the boy set sail for Cape Town from Hamburg. Thence he travelled by bullock team across Cape Colony and on to Kimberley.

When he arrived at that already famous mining camp he found a population which the fierce competition and search for quick riches has made mad. Everywhere the scramble for diamonds had produced chaos and confusion. Thousands of men had rushed in, taken up claims, good and bad, worked

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re-worked the yellow and blue clay which was filled with big rough precious stones scattered through its substance like raisins in a pudding, and were selling their new-found treasures at ridiculously low prices.

There was not even a semblance of law or order anywhere. Competition had ruined hundreds of small capitalists. Theft was commonplace. Illicit diamond buying had grown to enormous proportions and altogether the situation was such as to disgust the mind of a man bred to the business methods of a staid, conservative Hamburg commercial concern.

### SENT OUT TO ESTABLISH ORDER.

Young Beit saw and appreciated the situation. He realized that there could be too much of a good thing, even of diamonds, and that if the industry was not brought under control, diamonds would become a drug. At once he began a work which is generally credited to Cecil Rhodes—that of organizing and systematizing the diamond industry.

Rhodes came years afterward, and, of course, had a hand in the game, but the present condition of the South African monopoly is due to the genius of Beit, who was the first to see that unless something was done to control the output, diamonds would become too cheap to mine.

He began by buying up the scattered and conflicting claims. To accomplish this work he was liberally backed by his father and his father's friends in Germany. The result was the great De Beers Company, which for many years has paid 51-2 per cent. on its bonds and from 20 to 40 per cent. on its stock. It is capitalized for \$40,000,000.

### SENT FOR AMERICAN ENGINEERS.

Next came the gold discoveries, and here, too, Beit was the first organizer in the field. He desired the mines should be worked upon the highest scientific principles. To this end he sent to America for engineers, and paid whatever they asked—\$25,000 and even \$100,000—salaries.

All this work was done so quietly that the great world knew nothing of it, and these tremendously rich properties were not advertised to any extent abroad until dashing peerless, Cecil Rhodes came along and drew the attention of the civilized world to Kimberly.

Beit never played to the public. He would now and then amaze the trade—es when he cut down a 428 1-2 carat pure white diamond to 228 1-2 carats, and placed it in the window of a Paris shop as a sample of our goods.

Mr. Beit is the poorest-looking rich man on earth. His clothes are so very plain as to be almost shabby. He never discusses his trade with outsiders, but beneath his mild and apparently diffident exterior is a capacity for business unsurpassed by that of any man in the great commercial countries of Christendom.

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monds which he keeps stowed away for fear of lowering prices. Then, too, as he alone fixes the measure of his own wealth—that is, he controls the price of diamonds—he can decrease or increase the value of his wealth by a word. Some said it was early renaissance, don and put up a new house in Park Lane. This dwelling is one of the most substantial and most costly in Europe, but it is not over tasteful in architecture. When it was built people were in dispute about its architectural style.

### FOLLOWED HIS OWN STYLE.

Some said it was early renaissance some pronounced it this, or that or the other. The whole dispute was settled by a clever literary woman, who hit it off by calling it early "South Africa".

Ten years ago Beit and Rhodes admitted that the mines had turned out up to that time ten tons of diamonds. The annual profit is about \$10,000,000.

Mrs. Laubenburg, since the death of her husband, has lived much abroad, and met Mr. Beit in London. She is a stately woman, quite handsome and has been reported as engaged to many well known men in New York, especially to several in the fox-hunting set. Her private fortune amounts to about \$500,000.

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