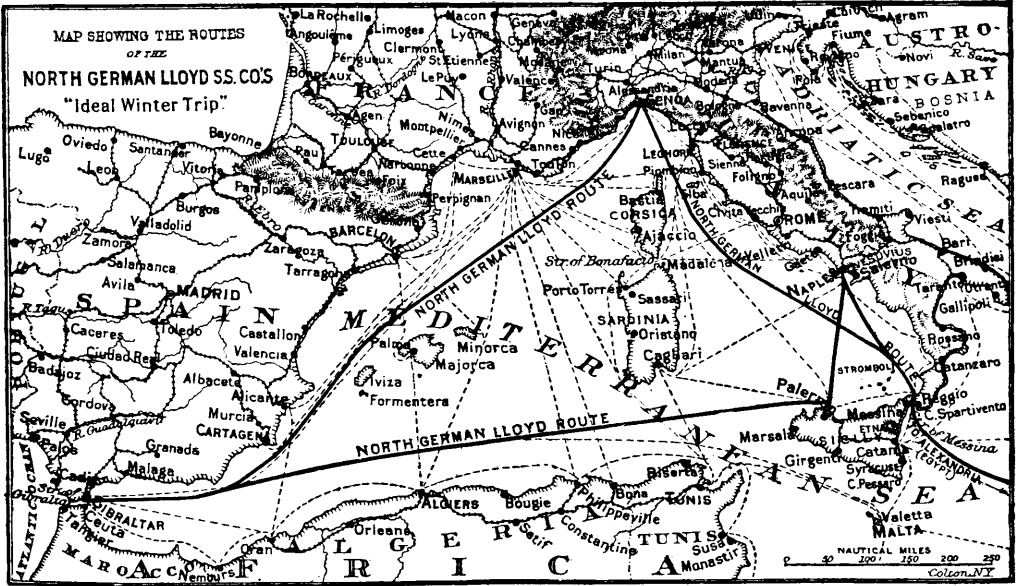


AN IDEAL WINTER TRIP.



printed, Gibraltar will no longer be cut off from the rest of the world except by steamer, as a railway line from Algeciras, the Spanish town just across the Bay from Gibraltar, will have joined it to Cadiz. From Cadiz one will go on to Seville, stopping off, perhaps, at Jerez, where they make most of the best sherry that the world drinks; and at Seville one should stay for several days. The city is a delight in itself, and it contains one of the most magnificent cathedrals in the world. Its campanile, known as "the Giralda tower," is the model of the beautiful tower of the Madison Square Garden in New York. From Seville the traveler will go to Cordova to see the great mosque, and from there to Granada, staying in one of the excellent hotels, close by the Alhambra, where one may wander at will over the beautiful marble courts and through the richly decorated rooms of the grand old Moorish palace. Thence to Malaga is a half-day's journey, and Gibraltar may be reached from Malaga in one night, by steamer.

By the trip here described the traveler is in Gibraltar in time to catch, on its return trip to New York, the same North German Lloyd ship that brought him over. When one gets home, he will have been away about thirty days, seeing, in that time, some of the wonders of the world.

The writer of this sketch made the Spanish trip here outlined, spending two weeks on the way from Gibraltar *via* Tangier, back to Gibraltar, finding delightful weather (it was November), with excellent hotels and comfortable railways, all through Spain. There were two people in the party, and in Tangier we hired

a courier—a good fellow, who helped to make Spain a pleasant memory. We had never before felt the need of a *valet-de-place*, but Spain is one of the few countries where such a companion is exceedingly useful. The natives of Spain talk Spanish—and nothing else—with remarkable unanimity, and one must have a local guide in every town unless he has a courier. We paid our man \$2.50 a day and his expenses, but the latter were only his railway fares, as the hotels charged nothing for him, in consideration of the fact that he brought guests. We traveled second-class on



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all railways, the courier going in another carriage, and usually managing to get us an entire compartment to ourselves. The cost of the two weeks' trip was about \$8 a day for each person, including the expense of the courier. You could not buy the memory of that trip for ten times what it cost.