

War Scenes.

Exciting Adventure of a Correspondent with the German Army.

I arrived at a farmhouse in a wood where a general of brigade and his staff had established themselves, whom I happened to know. After chatting with them on the chances of a skirmish before nightfall, and on the proximity of the enemy, a young officer came in saying that from a point he had just lost he could look right down into a part of the French position. This point he described to me as occupied by half a dozen men who had crept as far to the front as possible and were now hiding behind an old ruined wall and watching the enemy unobserved. As he was going back there, I offered to accompany him, and we crept through the brushwood, and then made a quick run across a piece of open woods to a most picturesque fragment of ruin, which dominated the valley some 200 or 300 feet below, in which I imagined the village of Etvaxel, then occupied, as well as the heights behind, by the French army. Peeping through the thickets of the ruin, I could see a French regiment marching along a road beneath us, within very comfortable rifle-shot, apparently unaware of our proximity. I remained here jotting down notes for nearly an hour, and then, hearing some firing at a distance, determined to return to the carriage and to go and see what it was. This I could either do by keeping in the woods all the time, which involved a long run, or by crossing an open plowed field, which was a saving of half the distance. As everything seemed quiet where I was I determined on this latter course, and was laboring through the soft land, ankle deep in mud, when bang came a round shot, apparently aimed at me, and buried itself about twenty yards in the rear. To say that I took to my heels is a figure of speech; I had no heels. I had two mountains of mud clinging to my feet, which rendered running almost impossible. However, I did my best; and in the agony of my effort I sprang headlong on my face at the very moment when another shot, better aimed, covered me with dirt. For at least ten minutes there was my solitary figure a target for the mischievous French battery. I ceased to wonder that the French had battles when they could waste valuable ammunition in the ridiculous way. I heard shouts of laughter proceed from a German regiment hidden in the wood for which I was making, as they saw my frantic efforts to increase my speed as each whistling shriek made me aware that I was not to do. Once they actually expended a shell upon me, but it cracked in the air a hundred feet above me. At last, panting with fatigue, I scrambled into the wood, and I must say that I was most sympathetically and kindly received by the Germans as a return for the amusement I had afforded them.—*Blackwood's Magazine.*

Agriculture.

JUTE (CORCORANTO OLIBIUS).

The Coming Year of Cotton as a Staple Crop in India, and the Prospects of the Jute Crop in the South.

The jute is a native of India, where it has been cultivated for ages on account of its fibre, which is the cheapest known to commerce. The "jute butt" of commerce are from the bark of that portion of the plant growing next to the ground, and are cut about eighteen inches long. From this coarse product is woven bagging with which is enveloped not only the cotton bales made in the South, but most of the agricultural products of the world. The fibre of the upper portion of the stem is finer, becoming near the top soft and lustrous like silk, and remarkably strong. The fibre bleaches readily and takes color well. In manufacturing, it is substituted for or mixed with hair, wool, silk, cotton and linen. It is the staple of the jute fibre that is due to the great reduction of prices in dress goods within the last few years.

It is stated in a recent number of the "New York Cotton" that ten years since the United States paid for goods composed in whole or part of jute, over \$100,000,000.

The Cultivation

In India consists of a thorough preparation of the land as for wheat. The seed, which are about the size of turnip seed, are sown broadcast and harrowed or brushed in, and there is

no more work necessary until the plant is ready to be cut. The proper time for cutting is indicated by the bloom, which will appear in two and a half months. The fibre is at that time long, and becomes harder if the plant is allowed to stand until the seed ripens. It is stated in the United States Agricultural Reports that the yield of jute fibre per acre in India is eight times that of cotton on the same quality of land, and that the average height of the plant on good land is six or seven feet, and that as early as 1874 India exported more than 100,000,000 pounds of jute fibre.

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of the fibre in India is very simple. The stalks are bound in bundles and thrown in bays, where they are allowed to remain a week, when the fibre is shaken from the stem, washed and dried in the sun, and is ready for use or market.

Rate Planting in the South.

Reports of practical farmers establish the fact beyond doubt that the soil and climate of the South are eminently suited to the cultivation of the plant. Indeed, the reports from all the cotton States indicate that it flourishes in any soil which will grow cotton.

The long tap root of the jute renders it a valuable rotation crop, with sugarcane or any of the cereals. It is not an exhaustive crop, and it is believed that it will improve stiff lands by bringing up plant food from the subsoil with its penetrating roots, which remain in the ground after cutting, decay rapidly, and fertilize the succeeding crop.

Unlike other crops, it is not molested by the numerous worms and insects which destroy the young plants as soon as they sprout. Indeed, there is no animal which will eat the jute, and it is less subject to disease and unfavorable weather than any crop grown in the South.

It is also claimed by those who have planted it in the vicinity of cotton that its rank odor drove away insects destructive to the crop.

There are other reasons which make jute a valuable adjunct to the culture of southern products. Planted on the 1st of April in this climate it will be ready to cut in the middle of June to the 1st of July. Another crop can be sown upon the same land, which will be ready for harvest by the 1st of October.

It will be seen that the first crop will be taken off at the season when cotton and sugarcane are laid by, and there is no urgent work upon the plantation.

The Yield

of jute upon our alluvial lands is estimated at from 2,000 to 4,000 pounds of fibre per acre. The price of "jute butt" is from four to six cents. The finer fibre, from the upper portion of the stalk, sells much higher. After thorough preparation, the work of cultivation is nothing, as the seed comes up in forty-eight hours and the plants grow so rapidly as to overshadow and smother grass and weeds.

Preparation of Fibre.

Mr. B. Laplace, an enterprising sugar planter of Louisiana, recommends that the fibre be prepared by crushing the stems between the rollers of the sugar-mill—this separates the bark—and steeping in the water-tank, pond or bayou, a week, until fermentation takes place, washing and drying the fibre. It is then ready for market.

Mr. T. Hansang prepares the fibre much quicker by steaming the bark in a close vessel or by boiling it. After washing and drying it is marketable. No part of the plant need be lost; the stems may be worked into baskets as willow, or made into paper pulp. The tow and waste makes the best of so-called "linen" writing paper.

There is no limit to the demand for jute fibre. There are factories in the North, West and Georgia, and a company has also been formed in the city of New Orleans to manufacture it.

The South uses annually 80,000,000 pounds of jute to cover her 5,000,000 bales of cotton. She uses 20,000,000 more for sacks for rice, cotton seed, oil cake and meal. The West uses more jute than the South in sacks for the millions of bushels of grain which she grows.

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be mentioned the relief which it would give to the evils which attend a solid cotton crop. It will be seen by a review of the cotton statistics of the past years that the South has received for a small crop of cotton as great a price as received for a large crop, the price per pound rising or falling according to the supply. Conceding that the market in future will be governed by the law of supply and demand, it seems evident that cotton would "fledge" "kings" if supplied with jute culture.

If one fifth of the land now devoted to cotton were withdrawn and sown down in jute, it is probable that the price of cotton would rise with the increased demand, and the crop of jute would not only support the home demand, but afford a large surplus for export.

Read and Reflect.

It is with enterprises as with striking fire; we do not meet with success except by reiterated efforts, and often at the instant when we despair of success.

Misfortunes come to a man through excessive love of self. He misjudges things just, good and beautiful, through thinking he ought always to honor what belongs to himself in preference to truth.

It is useless to endeavor to make a child control his temper, if you give way to your own; to tell him to be truthful, while you are not strictly so; to inculcate neatness, while careless of your own dress. The little folks are keen observers, and they will not respect you unless you are worthy. Be careful not to impose unnecessary restrictions—to forbid nothing without reason.

He who thinks much says but little in proportion to his thoughts. He selects that language which will convey his ideas in the most implicit and direct manner. He tries to compress as much thought as possible into a few words. On the contrary, the man who talks everlastingly and promiscuously, who seems to have an exhaustless magazine of words, conveys so many words into his thoughts that he always obscures, and frequently conceals them.

While we are willing to admit that the habit of economy is a useful, practical and most desirable one, few would think of attributing to it anything of beauty or attractiveness. Yet the economy of money, or its best use—for they are synonymous—has in it this very element. Those who live fully up to or beyond their income, in the end, are not all dead, nor is the land altogether left desolate. It is said that one of the chief agonies of the Saviour was that "all forsook Him and fled." So they did, and it was the bittered drop in His cup of misery; but now, after two thousand years, His name is in the household of hundreds of millions of the world. Out of this desolation, sacrifice and crucifixion, there is ascension for these millions, as there was for Him! Who can describe the healing and consolation which have emanated from these scenes of suffering and salvation? Now, as then, there is the same deep meaning in the beautiful verse:

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The great Parliament House clock in London, England, usually called the Westminster clock, the largest clock in the world, says Mr. W. A. Hendrie, in the *Westminster*, was destroyed by fire in the year of our Lord 1835, and started running in July of the same year, although the construction was nearly completed in 1834 by the first Mr. Dent, a big name among watch and clock makers at the present day. The architect was Sir Edmund Beckett Denison, who, as a designer in horology, has ably proved himself on the top perch.

The clock is of the general design of that kind known as the "tower" clock, and its plates measure 18 feet over all, the ends are built into the wall, while the bracing resembles the trussing of our bridges. There are three trains of wheels; the time train in center, hour strike train on the left; quarter train on the right. The main wheels are 40 inches in diameter, while the cam lifters for hammer falls are 33 inches diameter. There is only one cam lifter on main four wheel, with 10 cams and 31 inches faces of steel. In this connection the above strength is necessary on account of the weight of the hammer to be raised, 420 lbs., to strike the great 15 ton bell. The quarter chime hammers are much lighter, being in proportion to the bells to be struck by them. There are four, and they weigh from 3 tons 15 cwt. down to 1 ton 10 cwt. The diameter of hoop wheel is 30 inches, and the flies are in the usual proportion, but as the flies are driven with one pair of miter wheels to three them on end and reduce friction, the flies proper resemble a large sized barn door, and the way they make the wind blows is awful. I will now describe the time train.

The main wheel is 23 inches diameter, while the barrel is 16 inches, with a capacity for 2 feet of line. Great wheel has 180 teeth; center 130; third 120, with pinions of 12, 16 and 9. This brings me down to the escapement, which is the far-famed one—the gravity. This one is called the three-legged, and is formed of two wheels with three teeth each, one above and one below, with space between, and this space comes the lifting pallet, which is driven by the weight, and as soon as the pendulum swings against the partly lifted pallet it is released, thus allowing the pallet or arm to propel the pendulum on its opposite passage, where the same action takes place and a corresponding impulse is given. This escapement takes away all imperfections of trains, as the weight or clock train alone gives impulse. This clock beats two seconds; length of pendulum, 13.04 feet from suspension to line of oscillation; weight of ball 685 lbs.; length of suspension spring, 5 inches, 3 inches wide, and one-sixteenth of an inch thick; glass case in dial, 21 tons, and with iron coat 25,384. Going part takes 20 minutes to wind; depth of well for weights wide; clock frame 4 feet 7 inches wide; dial 22 feet diameter; weight 1 minute hand, 30 wt., length, 14 feet; the pendulum rod is compensating, with an appliance for regulating. The cost of this clock, in addition to dials and hands, as above noted, was a little under \$2,400, making the clock when finished cost the sum of \$2,784.

The writer of this will never forget the beautiful sound of the bells which the clock gives out when striking. The large bell is heard ten miles off, and the small ones four to five. This clock is reported giving an error of only 90 seconds per annum; but the appliance for regulating it by making it run faster or slower, as our city observatory does, debate us from forming an idea what it might be if left alone for one year.—*Scientific American.*

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Joyous, as when the angels bear
The harvest treasures home."

"Needs there the praise of the love written
record,
The name and the epitaph, graven on the stone?
The things we have lived for—let them be our story,
We ourselves but remembered by what we have done."

"Not myself, but the truth that in life I have seen,
Not myself, but the good that in life I have sown,
Shall pass on to ages; all about me forgotten,
Save the truth I have spoken, the things I have done."

The Pool of Bethesda.

We visit the pool of Bethesda. It is full of benevolent, nay, angelic memories, for did not the angel here go down at a certain season and trouble the water, so that those who were diseased and waited along its five porches for the moving of the water should be made whole? Did not the sick man here receive from the Saviour his cure, for which he was reproached, it being the Sabbath day? Now, how changed! There is no water in the pool, save a little green pond in the corner. As we enter it the air is dusty and full of the cries of boys and men, and the sound of the water, loaded with the refuse of the city, and whose basket panniers are full of dirt, to be emptied here, to make room elsewhere for buildings. But to our mind it is now, as ever, blessed with the sweet waters of healing. An English engineer offered to the government to clean it out, connect it with its old sluices and fill it with pure water. The proposal was rejected. The tender shows that the sacred memories are not all dead, nor is the land altogether left desolate. It is said that one of the chief agonies of the Saviour was that "all forsook Him and fled." So they did, and it was the bittered drop in His cup of misery; but now, after two thousand years, His name is in the household of hundreds of millions of the world. Out of this desolation, sacrifice and crucifixion, there is ascension for these millions, as there was for Him! Who can describe the healing and consolation which have emanated from these scenes of suffering and salvation? Now, as then, there is the same deep meaning in the beautiful verse:

"Led one, in secret bending low,
A dart in thy breast that my name may not know
Wrestling the devil of God to win,
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Press on, press on, with thy prayerful cry,
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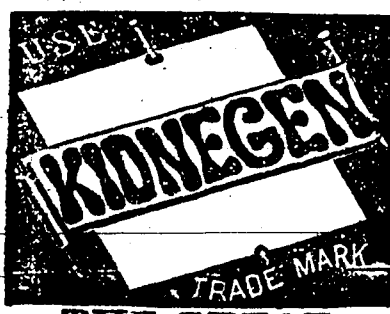
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	M.A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.
Philadelphia.....	4:45	8:25	4:25	8:25
Camden.....	4:55	8:35	4:35	8:35
Williamstown Junction.....	5:05	8:45	4:45	8:45
Oakland.....	5:15	8:55	4:55	8:55
Windsor.....	5:25	9:05	5:05	9:05
Hammononton.....	5:35	9:15	5:15	9:15
Da Costa.....	5:45	9:25	5:25	9:25
Elwood.....	5:55	9:35	5:35	9:35
Egg Harbor.....	6:05	9:45	5:45	9:45
Pomona.....	6:15	9:55	5:55	9:55
Atlantic City, Ar.....	6:25	10:05	6:05	10:05

	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.
Atlantic City.....	7:15	10:45	7:15	10:45
Pomona.....	7:25	10:55	7:25	10:55
Egg Harbor.....	7:35	11:05	7:35	11:05
Elwood.....	7:45	11:15	7:45	11:15
Da Costa.....	7:55	11:25	7:55	11:25
Windsor.....	8:05	11:35	8:05	11:35
Hammononton.....	8:15	11:45	8:15	11:45
Oakland.....	8:25	11:55	8:25	11:55
Williamstown Junction.....	8:35	12:05	8:35	12:05
Philadelphia.....	8:45	12:15	8:45	12:15

Camden & Atlantic City

	H.A.	A.A.	M.	S.A.
Philadelphia.....	6:00	8:00	8:00	8:00
Cooper's Point.....	6:10	8:10	8:10	8:10
Penn. R. R. June.....	6:20	8:20	8:20	8:20
Madisonfield.....	6:30	8:30	8:30	8:30
Ashland.....	6:40	8:40	8:40	8:40
Kirkwood.....	6:50	8:50	8:50	8:50
Berlin.....	7:00	9:00	9:00	9:00
Atco.....	7:10	9:10	9:10	9:10
Waterford.....	7:20	9:20	9:20	9:20
Ancora.....	7:30	9:30	9:30	9:30
Windsor June.....	7:40	9:40	9:40	9:40
Hammononton.....	7:50	9:50	9:50	9:50
Da Costa.....	8:00	10:00	10:00	10:00
Elwood.....	8:10	10:10	10:10	10:10
Egg Harbor.....	8:20	10:20	10:20	10:20
Pomona.....	8:30	10:30	10:30	10:30
Abecon.....	8:40	10:40	10:40	10:40
Atlantic.....	8:50	10:50	10:50	10:50
May's Landing.....	9:00	11:00	11:00	11:00

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	H.A.	A.A.	M.	P.	S.
Philadelphia.....	7:35	9:20	5:50	8:20	8:20
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