

WETTING DOWN THE SAHARA

Colossal Irrigation Project is Considered by France.

TURNING SANDY WASTE INTO SEA

Famous Desert of North Africa May Become an Inland Sea and Steamers Displace the Camel.

As far back as De Lesseps's time, a French engineer, Colonel Roudaire, braved the project of letting the waters of the Mediterranean into the Desert of Sahara...

The first result would be to add a great new colony to the possessions of France. Millions of human beings could support themselves therein in comfort...

Prof. Schlegel's scheme is provoking comment and objections are not wanting. Certain meteorological experts cry out in horror that any tempering with weather conditions in Africa would transform the climate of Europe...

Geographically, almost the whole northern half of Africa is a desert, in which Egypt and fertile mountainous tracts along the Mediterranean may be regarded as large oases.

Sahara Characteristics.

Chief among the remarkable features of the great Sahara is, perhaps, its distinctness of outline: Standing on the southern slope of the Atlas range, one looks out upon what had almost the appearance of a boundless sea, which forms, as it were, a bold coastline along its northern edge...

This is the region which from the highlands of Algeria and Morocco looks so much like a storm-tossed sea. The dunes in all parts of the Sahara lie generally in long, parallel lines, very like the billows of the ocean, with gradual slopes to windward and abrupt descent toward the leeward.

that, since by far the greater part of the Sahara is from seventy feet to more than a mile in elevation above ocean level, and those tracts which lie below ocean level are chiefly valleys between the hills and mountains or the basins of ancient lakes never very extended in area...

It should be remembered that if France reclaims the desert, she will do so for her own benefit. For several years Algeria has been to France what Florida is to New England during the winter months...

OLD SWINDLE CLAIMS VICTIMS

Hoary Scheme with Spanish Whiskers Tying with American Easy Marks.

At least two good, substantial American citizens, respected and influential in their respective communities, have within the last two weeks called upon their congressmen in Washington asking their advice as to the transmission of money to Spain to assist a wealthy relative, who is held as a political prisoner.

As incredible as it may seem, that hoary fraud known as the "Spanish swindle" is still being successfully worked on American citizens.

Through the fraud has been exposed perhaps in every newspaper of the land for twenty years, men of means and normal intelligence have continued to pour their good dollars into the "rat hole."

MAN IS AN ODD COMPOUND

Chemistry Reveals the Various Elements in His Wonderful Make-Up.

Do you know what you are? You are 100 dozen eggs. You are four tenpenny nails. You are 3,000 cubic feet of gas. You are twenty candies and a cake of soap.

You are the heads of enough matches to fill 2,000 boxes. You are the contents of a hydrogen balloon big enough to lift you above the clouds.

Furthermore, you are six teaspoonfuls of salt, a bowl of sugar and ten gallons of water.

Everybody knows the man who is "sharp as a tack," and the other one with an iron constitution or a steely eye, or the person of penetration, or the one who can hold down a job, or has to be driven before he will accomplish anything.

We know now what happens when a man gets "all lit up." It's his seventy-five candles that furnish the illumination. And we know why some persons are more brilliant than others. It is because these candles are in better commission.

them. It may be either the candles or the match heads that make them splutter. We all go up in the air once in a while. It is no longer cause for anxiety. It is looking but the hydrogen we contain. When the hydrogen gets beyond control we live in the clouds—a state of existence more unsatisfactory to those remaining on the ground than to those aloft.

There are some who will believe that the estimate of sugar is too low, but that is a personal matter that may be adjusted to mutual satisfaction by those concerned.

Undoubtedly explanation of many more human phenomena may be derived from the facts supplied by the chemists. These are submitted, merely as suggestions, to stimulate thoughtful rumination.—Chicago Tribune.

Pointed Paragraphs. Better a slip of the foot than a slip of the tongue.

Many a theatrical advance agent makes a show of himself. A woman is thankful for little things—if she has small feet.

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