



RICE AND SUGAR IN BRITISH GUIANA

Consul Arthur J. Clare Gives Interesting Figures on Production.

NATIVES ARE NOT ROBUST.

This Has Resulted in Greater Development of Agriculture Than if They Followed Mining.

Consul Arthur J. Clare, of Georgetown, furnishes the following particulars concerning the rice and sugar production of British Guiana.

The value to the colony of the annual rice crop is estimated at \$1,457,500, which exceeds the average mean value of its gold production for the past four years.

Probably 15,000 East Indians are engaged in rice growing. The cost of production is difficult to ascertain, as holdings are mostly from one to three acres each, attended to by a man and his family. Probably not one-fifth of the rice grown is hulled by machinery, although there are 50 to 60 small rice hullers located in the different districts. The East Indian reaps his paddy, stores it on his premises, and pounds out the greater part to supply his wants and those of the nearest village market. For the balance he finds a ready market at the nearest rice mill at about 1 cent per pound.

There are no special irrigation works that would make the crop a certainty. All sugar estates, of course, have some form of irrigation, and much of the plantation lands has been given over to rice farmers at a yearly rental from \$2 to \$10 an acre.

The cultivation is almost entirely done by hand labor; in some instances an attempt at plowing has been made with oxen and plows of the crudest sort. The threshing of the grain is usually done by oxen; the operation is known locally as "mashing". At the opening of the annual session of the combined court of British Guiana the governor of the colony said that the pondering of large areas of land for the cultivation of rice by means of mechanical appliances is being tested by American capitalists, to whom a concession of 13,200 acres of land on the Abernethy Creek had been promised. Experimental work on 200 acres has been commenced. Should the work prove successful, a large area will be plowed, and it is anticipated that this enterprise will be followed by others and be the means of causing the introduction of further capital into the colony.

SUGAR INDUSTRY.
At present all land under sugar cultivation, whether employing indentured or unindentured labor, pays a tax of \$1.50 an acre per annum. This tax, however, does not fall into the general revenues of the colony, but forms a fund from which the cost of bringing the immigrants to the colony is paid. The tax brings in \$108,396 annually, the acreage under cultivation being 72,230 acres. The average annual value of sugar, and its by-product rum, produced during the last 10 years was \$4,440,000.

The total number of the East Indian population in the colony is about 135,000 (probably outnumbering the negroes), of whom more than one-half are on or near the sugar plantations. It is quite evident therefore that the East Indian is a great factor in the colony's chief agricultural industry, and in fact in all the colony's agricultural industries. Not being of a robust build, he is incapable of such heavy manual labor as the native black, and he has therefore left gold mining severely alone, confining himself to other callings where there is plenty of scope for talent.

COSTS, PRICES AND EXPORTS.

The cost of production of a ton of sugar on the average plantation is stated to be \$47. The selling price is between \$45 and \$50. To every ton of sugar produced there should be about 25 to 30 gallons of rum, 40 above proof (which cost to produce \$3.25 to \$3.50), worth on the average \$5.40 to \$9.60. Sometimes the price in England is considerably higher than this, and local market prices are correspondingly increased. Molasses, a cattle food, also a by-product of sugar, is made on many plantations. The cost of manufacturing is \$4.50 a ton, and it is worth, c. o. b. Georgetown, \$19.80, the price in the European markets being \$19.20 per ton. For the year 1907-8 the export was 9,576 tons, all of which went to England. This amount, however, was a drop of 3,400 tons below the previous year's export.

Up to six years ago the United States took the bulk of the sugar produced in British Guiana, and England the balance. Conditions have since changed and now very little is bought by the United States. The exports of sugar during the 11 months ending Feb. 28, 1909, have been as follows, in tons: To Canada, 71,947; England, 25,284; United States, 16,802; other countries, 222; total, 114,255. Between 2,500 and 3,500 puncheons of molasses are exported annually, the principal markets being the United Kingdom, Holland, and Portuguese possessions.

COUNTRESS AIDS INVENTOR.
Countess Szecshnyi, who was Gladys Vanderbilt of New York, and her husband, Count Laszlo, have already invested some of the Vanderbilt wealth in Hungary. The countess is the heaviest stockholder in a company just formed to exploit the inventions of Professor Klupathay of the Budapest university.

No matter how long you have suffered, Foley's Kidney Remedy will help you. Mrs. S. L. Bowen, of Wayne, W. Va., writes: "I was a sufferer from kidney disease, so that at times I could not stand straight. I took Foley's Kidney Remedy. One dollar bottle and part of the second cured me entirely. It will cure you. F. J. Hill Drug Co., ('The Never Substitutors.')

SUNDAY EXCURSIONS.

Via Denver & Rio Grande R. R.
To Provo canyon, 7:50 a. m., 8:10 a. m., \$1.25.
To Ogden, 10:25 a. m., 1:35 p. m., \$1.00.
To Pharaoh's Glen, 8:20 a. m., 50c.
Return on any train. Special leaves Provo canyon 7:30 p. m.

"BETWEEN SEASON'S SPECIALS"

Just now more than at any other time of the year our Offerings can rightly be called SPECIALS. We Advertise only Items of COMPELLING INTEREST—Articles whose merit must be recognized regardless of Season. The few here quoted give Practical Demonstration of our Meaning.

MONDAY! 75c Washable Costume SILKS 28 inches wide—for Street and Evening Gowns—in Yellow, Jasper, Tan, Moss Rose, Peach, Apricot, Copenhagen Blue, Brown, Black, Cream and Lavender, Monday at a yard..... 29c	ESTABLISHED 1864 ONE PRICE TO ALL NEVER UNDERSOLD	MONDAY! \$3.50 LAWN WAISTS \$1.47 117 handsome lawn and lingerie waists, of elegant materials, some trimmed with lace and embroidery. Worth fully \$3.50, Monday choose at... \$1.47
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MONDAY \$2.50 White Sill Curtains A pretty Madras Weave Lace with Point d'Esprit Center, with Fleur de Lis and Wreath Combination Border, 2 1/2 yards long, and 40 inches wide, Monday at..... \$1.48	MONDAY \$7.00 All Wool Plaid Blankets Large 11-4 sizes, in blue and white, pink and white, gray and white, red and black and black and white plaids, Monday at..... \$3.98	MONDAY \$1.75 Bleached Satin Damask Table Linen 2 yards wide, in American Beauty Rose, Pansy, Tulip, Fleur de Lis, Ribbon effect, Monday at a yard..... \$1.15	MONDAY 20c Bleached Shaker Flannel Yard wide, the best made, Monday at a yard..... 11c	MONDAY 15c White Cambric Yard wide, extra to Lonsdale, Monday at a yard..... 9c	MONDAY 22 1-2c Hemmed Bleached Turkish Towels 21 inches wide and 40 inches long, Monday at each..... 14c
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A MUSLIN UNDERWEAR SALE

With none in the history of underwear sales to match it. Here are Greater Values than you ever bought or ever expected to buy. This sale means \$25,000.00 worth of High Grade, new snowy white beautiful UNDERGARMENTS to be sold next week at from ONE-HALF to ONE-THIRD their actual value. We won't go deeply into the details of how we were enabled to make this Extraordinary Offer, but suffice it to say, several of the Leading Underwear Manufacturers wanted the money to prepare for next Season's Business and were ready to Sacrifice Stocks on hand, we were on hand with the cash, hence these Extraordinary Offerings.

SALT STARTS PROMPT MONDAY MORNING AT 8 O'CLOCK.

Ladies' Corset Covers 50c Values at 25c Enormous variety of pretty styles in all sizes.	Ladies' Gowns \$1.25 Values at 59c Made of best muslin, neatly trimmed, long or short sleeve styles.	Ladies' Skirts \$2.00 Values at 99c Lace or embroidery trimmed, all lengths, big variety to choose from.	Ladies' Drawers Up to 65c Values at 25c Trimmed in lace or hemstitching, made of extra good muslin, all sizes, open or closed.
Ladies' Drawers \$1.50 Values at 75c Made of finest nainsook lace or embroidery trimmed.	Combination Garments Up to \$2.50 Values at 99c Corset cover and drawers, or corset cover and skirt, combinations, in all sizes, made of extra fine nainsook, beautifully trimmed.	Ladies' Corset Covers Best \$1.25 Grades at 50c Beautiful styles, lace or embroidery trimmed, tucked back, made of finest nainsook, in all sizes.	Ladies' Gowns \$2.00 Values at 99c Beautiful styles, lace or embroidered trimmed, made of fine nainsook, long or short sleeve styles.
Ladies' Gowns Best \$1.50 Values at 75c Long or short sleeve gowns, elegantly trimmed, in lace or embroidery, made of fine nainsook, in all sizes.	Ladies' Drawers Best \$1.25 Grades at 69c Made of fine cambric, trimmed in lace or embroidery, open or closed, all sizes.	Ladies' Gowns Best \$2.50 Grades at \$1.25 Made of finest nainsook, elegantly rimmed, long or short sleeve styles, in all sizes.	Ladies' Drawers Best \$2.25 Grades at \$1.19 Extra fine qualities, trimmed in lace or embroidery, open or closed.
Ladies' White Aprons 25c Grades at 13c Ladies' white lawn aprons, embroidered on bottom, in a variety of patterns.	Ladies' Gowns 60c Grades at 35c Cut full length and width, made of splendid quality muslin, with yoked yoke in all sizes.	Ladies' Corset Covers Up to 90c Grades at 39c Here are styles and qualities, of a most surprising nature, at this popular price, in all sizes.	

MONDAY \$6.00 White Marseilles BED SPREADS Fringed with cut corners, handsome designs, Monday at..... \$3.80	MONDAY \$1.75 and \$2.00 House Wrappers 98c Desirable percale Wrappers, in black, navy and gray with white figures. Worth \$1.75 and \$2.00, Monday choose at..... 98c	MONDAY Foulard Silks 20 Pcs. fine quality Messaline Foulard and other fancy silks, 20 to 24 inches wide, Monday, per yard..... 59c	MONDAY Colored Taffeta SILK 50 Pcs. Colored Taffeta Silk, 19 inches wide, firm, crisp and good wearing qualities, in all colors, including black and cream, regular value 65c, on sale Monday and week at per yard..... 48c	MONDAY \$1.50 and \$1.75 White Silk Embroidered Skirting Flannel Hemstitched, scalloped and cut out edges, all yard wide, 22 designs, Monday at a yard..... \$1.15	MONDAY 15c Bleached Pillow Casing 45 inches wide, as shown in our window, Monday at a yard..... 9c
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"Between Season's Specials" in Footwear

You will marvel at next week's Bargains.

Any Child's Oxford, in stock, sizes 5 to 8, values, up to \$1.75, while they 95c, last, at per pair..... **\$1.15**
 Any Child's Oxford, in stock, sizes 8 1/2 to 11, value up to \$2.00, while they last, at per pair..... **\$1.35**
 Any Boy's Oxford, in stock, sizes 10 to 12, value up to \$3.50, while they last, at per pair..... **\$1.95**
 Any Ladies' Oxford, in stock, value up to \$6.00, while they last, go **\$2.85** at per pair.

"Between Season's Specials" IN READY-TO-WEAR GARMENTS

That will keep us busy every day next week from morning until night.

\$25 to \$40 Lingerie Dresses \$11.45

Grouped into this lot are chic, stylish dresses of very fine sheer lingerie, handsomely embellished with real val lace and insertion and linen dresses that can be worn late in the fall. Worth from \$25 to \$40, next week they'll go **\$11.45** at.

\$20 to \$30 Satin Skirts \$9.95
 Gathered for quick selling, one lot of very handsome black satin skirts, made of the best quality satin, in the latest models, worth fully \$20 to \$30, next week, they'll go **\$9.95** at.

\$15.00 Black Silk Coats \$6.95

Extra heavy grade taffeta, beautifully embroidered with soutache and heavy silk braid, made in the new 3-4 semi-fitted models, all sizes, **\$6.95** worth fully \$15, next week they'll go at.

\$7.00 Long Silk Kimonos \$4.45

In a large variety of colors and pretty floral and Japanese designs, also some solid colors, with neat borders, worth fully \$7.50, **\$4.45** next week they'll go at.

"Between Season's Specials" in Boys' CLOTHING

That Changes a Dull Month into a Busy One.

\$5.00 SUITS, in knickerbocker and straight styles go next week **\$2.85** at.
\$7.00 SUITS, Beautiful in style and pattern, all new and classy, go next week **\$3.95** at.
\$8.00 SUITS, some of the cleverest of the season in wool cassimeres, go **\$4.45** next week at.
\$10.00 SUITS, in fine imported worsted chevrons and cassimeres, in styles and patterns, in best of taste, go next week **\$5.85** at.

MONDAY \$9.00 Silk Covered Comforts In the prettiest colorings, the daintiest designs, Monday at..... \$5.80	MONDAY 250 Pcs White English Long Cloth 12 yards in each piece, value \$2.50 a bolt, Monday at a bolt..... \$1.69	MONDAY \$1.00 Boys' Wash Suits In Russian and Sailor Blouse styles, Monday at..... 49c	MONDAY \$1.00 to \$1.50 Boys' PANTS Straight and knickerbocker styles, special Mon. 69c , day at.....	MONDAY 15c Canton Flannel Extra heavy twill, well napped, 30 inches wide, Monday at a yard..... 9 1/2c	MONDAY \$2.50 Couch Covers A Turkish design, an exceptional good pattern, size 3 yards by 50 inches, Monday at..... \$1.48
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