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BOERS MAY TREK TO THE NORTH.

national calamity. It excited the moral principles, of course) unless the colonists should take the precaution to of their unscrupulous neighbors, head off cant by selecting a strictly

hope of reaching a land of abiding than the Zulu Kaffirs, but thievish, treacherous, and unreliable. French newspapers, "semi-offiinvite them to Algeria. The Their able-bodied adults are mostly materland urges them to abanmoss troopers, who steal cat naps in the the dark continent altogether and refuge in the Gardens of the Sun. daytime and cattle after sunset, but are themselves often collared by the slavevast and exhaustively fertile islands hunters of the fierce highland tribes. the Sunda archipelago, where their It would take half a century to elimin. ymen have founded a number of ate such neighbors. And then? ishing settlements.

the ago, when the first war clouds e above the southern horizon, a party Transvaal prospectors crossed the mbest river to take a look at the Nya country, the land of lake shore tures and park-like plateaus that tends from the fifteenth parallel of thern latitude to regions included in

LIBERAL LAND GRANTS ASSURED. But, besides, the home-seekers can rely on liberal land grants. Exemption from taxes for the first ten years will not be the only inducement to permanent settlers. Their European sympathizers may emulate the agents of the czar, who colonized the Caucasus by offering immigrants free seed corn and

two South African republics, but forthcoming. never rule the Afrikanders. Four

According to F. L. Oswald, in the Chi-nati Enquirer, England may conquer an exodus en masse will always be

agricultural implements. But, withal, the Hollanders are the most cautious

relatives naturally prefer to look before

Great Britain might be ready for an-

other landgrab by that time (on general

they leap into emigrant ships.

Story that Already they are Preparing to Move Out of prises a considerable slice of geography, Britain's Country-Men Have Been Sent Ahead -They with limitless no man's lands, north and May Go to the Dutch East Indies - Reported Inviannow www.www.www.www.www.www.www. According to F. L. Oswald, in the Cin- | aires whom no spite of fortune can now

west, and therein has the advantage of the Algerian highlands. The Morocco border tribes fiercely resent intrusion,

the horse.

and south of the mountains begins the

Bil-el Sheytan, the outskirt region of the great desert, with undulating gravel

fields and just water enough to produce weeds and snakes. Yet what there is left of Abd-el-Kader's country is really worth having.

horse in this country unless you have a stable like a jail and make it a rule

to sleep in the stable every night, and" -after some reflection-"even then they

will steal it if you don't sleep on top of

THE LAKE REGION.

But, then, the "Lake Region" com-

The climate of the northern footbill country makes existence a luxury, and it would be a great mistake to suppose that arboreal vegetation is limited to the orchards of the French colonists. Some twenty miles south of Constantine the road to the Oasis of El Tagar crosses a ridge that affords a marvelous view of the Atlas Range, with its precipitous chasms and snow-capped summits, some of them rivalling the people on earth, and their Transvaal

height of the Alpine peaks. As seen through a telescope the summit plateaus look pale green or gray-bowlder heaps alternating with patches of scant herbage; but a few thousand feet lower down the pine woods begin and range east and west for many hun-

As a herder's first choice the Nyanza country is hard to beat. Four of the great inland lakes are bordered by

abound and groves are just accessible enough to furnish cheap building material. Beasts of prey would soon van-ish before the voice of the Krag-Jorgensen, and the tsetse fly has lost its terrors in this age of antidotes. The great trouble would be with the natives. in the Transvaal, and might contrive to ascend the great central plateaux, The lake shore dwellers are less warlike

grassy terrace lands, where springs

belt vines, are mingled with beech trees, walnuts and evergreen oaks. Like our Apaches, the Arabs and Berbers are children of the plains, and have not much use for cloudland Sierras, but the bog feet of the Boers have got modified

from a mile to a mile and a half, and near the lower outskirts of the timber A similar arrangement accommodates

dreds of miles. Vertical extent varies different trrac regions, representing as many different climes.

take root, and the natives readily con-sented to renounce the sour wine of their highland grapes; but between those extremes there are three or four

Islam. One or two chieftans donned the turban, but the great plurality of

profits of the pork trade decided the lowlanders to decline the paradise of

killer with a mane" (possibly some variety of Asiatic lion), and herds of elephants, tapirs, elk and wild cows complete the zoological wonderland. PROFITS IN SWINE GROWING. Pigs can be so easily raised that the

by the first glimpses of daylight. There are tigers and one larger beast of prey which the natives describe as a "bull-

handed night-walkers, that can find free lunches in the midnight gloom of the primeval forest, but get hypnotized

TRUTH AND LIBERTY.

SATURDAY, JANUARY C., 1900, SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH.

"They are those of the world, sir: im-proved by a fertile soil," replied the modest commissioner, and the terrace lands of Sumatra could be almost de-scribed in the same terms. The equa-tion croses the vast lead not the terrace

tor crosses the vast island near the cen

ter, and the coast plains are moist, hot enough to make a gorilla feel at home.

Two species of giant apes have pre

THE TRANSVAAL "BACK DOOR.

empted homesteads in the coast jun-gles; the orang and the gibbon, besides fifty-six smaller species of monkeys to show results in an increased favorableness of the outlook for the coming bicycle season. Although its formation and several varieties of lemurs, or four

interview, to show by advance orders how great was the promise for a lively season in 1900. Reports from agents all over the country showed that the orders received up to the third week in December, 1899, surpassed those for the same period in 1898 by over 55 per cent. This, too, in spite of the indecision early in the season for ordering, on account of

Another surprise was the fact that spread just as generally as in other years. The rate of increase varied, but all those makes popular in other years appear in similar demand this year. The increase is general, and reflects, Mr.

Merseles said, the agents' confidence in the A. B. C. Mr. Merseles said: "The question of bicycle prospects for the season of 1900

the varying predilections of settlers on the island of Jamaica, but Sumatra is must be taken from the wholesale larger than Jamaica, Puerto Rico, San standpoint, because it is the only one Domingo and Cuba taken together, and the east to west range of the main mountain chain is longer than that of where fairies could compete with the milk ranches of the Berner Oberland, and where the French government the Alps. Not less than twenty peaks We are enabled to sum up, even at this 

his statement by exhibiting, not for publication, however, reports from the the coast dwellers preferred contem-porary spareribs to houris in the future tense. On the chilly summit plateau of several sales departments. the Banka range, where sheep thrive better than pigs, Mohammedanism did orders were confined to no single line of wheels or groups of these, but were





**THE BICYCLE OUTLOOK FOR 1900** gun manun munum munum munum The advent of the American Bicycle | selection which has been inagurated

and will be maintained in all the fac-tories of the American Bicycle comcompany in the field has already begun pany "Yet another factor in bringing about the increase is the satisfaction

on all hands that bicycle prices have

reached bed-rock. They cannot be made lower until an absolute revolu-

------BOERS SURPRISING A "SURPRISE PARTY."

the great powers to promote wars and annexations to distract the minds of the people, then The Hague conference was the greatest farce of the century. The writer also asserts that the civilization introduced by the great powers in their annexations in the south sess,

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The position of the British at Modder river is only maintained by contant fighting with roving bands of Boers who appear in the most unexpected places at the most unexpected times. The above pictures one of the daily ecurring skirmishes between Methuen's armored train and the mobile

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the conclusion that a pretext for fur- | Uitlander proof fence and guarding it ade to order under all circumstances. "Want to buy a fine saddle horse

made to order under all circumstances, and if trekking had to be done the min- | Sir?" a Mexican cavairy officer asked ing boom might have been a blessing in disguise. It has filled the country with Uitlanders, but also with Boer million-





Here is a fine picture of Delagoa Bay, through which neutral territory the Boers are constantly receiving supplies, guns and men. With this port closed by British ships the end of the Boer war would be only a question of time, for the Transvaal and the Orange Free State would beringed around by hostile forces and starved into submission. Great Britain realises this but she can find no excuse for seizing the port and cannot shut out help that the Boers receive through this avenue.

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pre-emption terms, and pet them in every possible way-just to spite John

#### BERRIES IN ABUNDANCE.

Berries, too, must be pretty abundant on the great divide of the Mediterranean and the Sand Sea. In 1894 Colonel Duchabel, of the military surveying expedition, was taken sick at Wad-el-Kamr, on the north side slope of the Atlas, and at the advice of his doctor, sent out a few scouts to interview the hill shepherds and offer 10 coppers a quart for any kind of edible berries. The result surprised him. Men, women and children began to trudge up the approaches of the surveyor's camp. and before he could countermand his offer had brought raspberries enough to run a first class canning factory. They had strawberries, too, and some novel varieties of strawberries, and in reply to inquiries stated that there were other kinds, but growing on trees and not so easy to get at.

There, too, flourishes the algaroba, a species of locust with edible pods, about as nourishing as string beans. The crop hardly ever fails and in protracted droughts has saved many a wanderer of the wilderness, including John the Baptist, whose staple diet of "honey and locusts," according to Richard Burton , had nothing to do with grasshoppers. A Yuma Indian might stick to the elder interpretation, but it is a significant fact that in several European languages the pods of the algaroba are known as "St. John's Bread." Great chunks of resinous pine wood are found in the gullies of the upper

Sierras, and are sometimes loaded on donkeys and hauled to the markets of the coast towns like charcoal from the woods of the Apennines. It would not be difficult to keep the pots boiling in a country of that sort, and the abundance of game could almost reconcile the Afrikanders to the loss of their veldts. Antelopes are not as numerous as in the Orange River mountains, but there are countless coneys, squirrels, black cocks, badgers, pigeons, and a few deer and wild goats. A variety of ibex still haunts the rocky highlands, and on the border of Tunis there are small herds of the curious creature known as the bubalus or bubalis, that seems to form a connecting link between the steer and the stag. Bekkerel-Wash, "wild ox," the Arab calls it, and often hunt it at the time of the year when the herds are incumbered with helpless fawns, but are afraid to domesticate it, as grown-up specimens no matter how tame, are apt to yield to a roaming instinct and lead black

cattle astray. PRACTICALLY SOUTHERN EU-

ROPE. Prof. Brehm's objection to southern

Africa as a permanent home was that "seemed too much like living out of the world; settlers in the mountains of the Moon might as well remove to the moon itself, and be done." But Algeria has become almost a part of southern Europe. The capital (Algiers) is only Europe. trifle further south than Cincinnati, and can be reached from Minorca in ten hours; from Marseilles in a day

would let them have homesteads on | exceed a height of 8,000 feet, but with | early stage, the business done in advance orders. This was never possible the exception of a few active volcances they are wooded to the top. The botanin other years, because, I presume, of different business methods in the sevic scale which starts at the coast with eral blcycle houses. Figures for Decemmammoth specimens of Indian fig trees ber business were rarely available until rise to a dwarfish variety of stone pines. the season was well advanced. We are

"These figures furnish a reply to a

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Agents do not buy readily in a bad

year. They are in the best position to judge of the sentiment in their own dis-

several localities in which they do busi-

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borne out by facts, is that last year was

the best bleycle season since 1896, which

was a remarkable sales year. This

state of affairs was also generally ap-

preclated. It was attributable probably

as much as the low prices on high grade

bicycles, which reached the lowest

idea that prosperity alone could cause the increase must be rejected. The removal of certain conditions strength-

ens the market. Agents know they

can safely deal with a company whose

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Bleycle company, that they will be

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"As the agent in forming his opinion

relies entirely upon public sentiment,

it is really the public's confidence that

is manifested in the large advance sales. This is bound to become more

in other years.

"As for 1899, the general opinion, also

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interspersed with juniper bushes and able this year to compare the figures scrub oaks. Oaks of a different species form for orders received up to Dec. 23, 1899, with those for the same period last groves on the extensive highland year, with the result wonderfully in plateau, where a million Boers could favor of this year. pasture their herds, increase and all, "Agents seem practically unanimous

for the next 200 years. Cool cloudland sanitaria above, everin prospecting that the coming year will be an exceptionally good one. Not only green meadows all around and absois this indicated by their corresponlutely pothunter-proof game preserves below, what more would an honest Afrikander have? Gold and diamonds? dence, which is in many cases enthusiastic, but is amply borne out by the size of sample orders. These show an aver-age increase of over 85 per cent, or in They, too, can be found at the headwaters of the Indragiri river, says the other words, that where an agent or report of Captain Van Hutten, who passed six years in the neighborhood report dered 20 bicycles last year to begin of Palembang and availed himself of the season with, he this year starts out with nearly double that number, with several excursions into the highlands of out any special inducements having the interior. Auriferous placers are also found near Mt. Ophir, north of the been made to place stock orders. equator, and may have been the true question frequently put to me, 'What are the prospects for the coming sea-King Solomon's mines of antiquity.

### DUTCH SETTLERS IN JAVA.

And that Northlanders can thrive in are facts that permit only one inference a tropical mountain country is proved by the prosperity of the Dutch settlers in Java. That little island nets the Holland government an annual income of tricts. Their advance orders are the outcome of interested canvass of the \$6,000,000, though the colonists come in frequent competition with the industrial native tribes. Java, with less than 50,-000 square miles, has a population equalling that of Holland and Belgium taken together, while Sumatra, nearly twice as large as Great Britain, has only 5,000,000 natives and a few hundred thousand Chinese and Hollanders. There would be room for five times as many, and in the uplands alone for the entire present population of Dutch-speaking South Africa. The coast to more prosperous times and the ces-sation of hostilities against Spain, quite jungles, it is true, are fearfully malarious, but so are those of Ceylon, where nevertheless the mountains of the interior rise to a plateau which Sir Samuel Baker pronounced a "sanitarium for the homesickness of the schnapps fuddled Hollander, since up here a squatter can intoxicate himself with sunshine and aromatic highland breezes.

From the east coast of Sumatra a chain of marine rocks leads, like a bridge, to the still larger and even more sparsely settled Island of Borneo, where likewise the enterprising Dutch have gained a foothold, and could give their countrymen points in the art of dis-lodging the shiftless natives. Nay, their restless traders have pushed further east to establish "factories" on the coast of Celebes, and now monopolize the import traffic, since their Spanish rivals left in a hurry, under the pretext

of having to concentrate their efforts upon the pacification-alias massacre-of the neighboring Filipinos. With Java and Celebes the Sunda

group comprises nearly 500,000 square miles, and in the course of years the reunited Dutch colonists might there conquer a grander island empire than the Spaniards ever ruled in the West Indies.

#### RESCUE HOME MEETING.

Here is seen the peculiarly effective Boer manner of meeting and repelling an attack. The puzzled British soldlers see nothing to shoot at but rocks and stones, while all the time their men are being picked off like rabbus. The British compla'a that the enemy won't come out to fight like men. The Boers know too well the advantage they have in guerilla fighting to abandon their methods unless forced into the open.

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cycles is brought about by new inventions-not a contingency that is likely to occur in a great many years, if at

The fifth annual bicycle show that is to be held at Madison Square Garden commencing January 20, 1900, gives every promise of being one of the most attractive exhibitions ever held in the

Mr. R. L. Coleman of the Western Wheel Works, who has continuously followed the cycle shows of America, and was formerly president of the Cycle Board of Trade, says that he is convinced from present indications that the show this year will mark the opening of a very successful cycling season. Mr. Coleman says that all the prominent makers have taken space and the exhibition will be exceptionally interest-

A general exhibit of the development of the bicycle will be more complete than ever attempted, and will show in an intelligent and attractive manner each improvement as it appeared. The new wheels will be critically examined by the public, and visitors will be given a chance to see the factory mechanics at work. One of the most interesting exhibits will be that of the chain company, who will exhibit a model of the Brooklyn Bridge, made of cycle chains. The Pope sales department will exhibt a new gear-cutting machine, which, in itself, will be quite an attraction to those interersted in the bevel gear chainless,

All the makers will give away souven. irs, and the souvenir seekers will have plenty of them to select from.

#### HAGUE MEETING A FARCE.

London, Jan. 12 .- Malietoa Tanus, in a letter to the London Times published today enclosing copies of the protests he addressed to the United States. Great Britain and Germany against the Samoan treaties, characterizes the



He 'continues: "The missionaries who graced our country with their holy and unholy presences introduced the same religious differences and hatreds against each other as pertained at the hour in civilized states. The missionaries live in palatial concrete houses with all the luxuries their countries can afford and charge us for Bibles and prayer books which we understand are sent as free offerings."

Malietoa Tanus further charges the missionaries with extracting all the money possible from them in return for which they only received a Bible, a prayer book or a "Pilgrim's Progress." He instances the Wesleyan mission. aries with collecting 27,000 pounds sterling at a single meeting at Tonga, adding:

"The missionaries aroused a great spirit of emulation, telling the natives that the largest givers would be the most acceptable in the sight of God, thus reversing the spirit of the "widows mite

The Samoan chief concludes: "These be thy Gods, O Israel "MALIETOA,

"Faalogoiai, Samoa." THEY'RE AFTER HIM

(Cleveland Plain Dealer.) Then Cecil Rhodes looked all around, A cunning smile smiled he;

He bit his lip and slightly frowned-Says he, "They're after me!" His voice sank to a whisper low,

He turned as if to fiee, Then paused like one who hates to go-Says he, "They're after me!" He bent his had and opened the door A little way to see, And then, as he'd remarked before, He said, "They're after me!"

He cried, "A price is on my head,

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"Another question recently put to me refers to the effects the American Bicycle company is going to have on the sale of bicycles. I have practically answered this already. I will add that the cause of the increased advance orders appears to be the result of an augmented confidence on the part of agents, due largely to the existence of the American Bicycle company. The

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in South Africa is shown by the shipment there of a siege train of howitzer suns for the reduction of the immensely strong fortifications at Pretoria. These slege guns throw lyddite shells at short intervals in a constant stream-

marked as the season advances. and a half. Settlers would remain in any thinking person it must occur that touch with civilization, and, Europe The board of directors of the Rescue if ever it were advantageous to a conwould object to see butchery going on cern to exercise the greatest care for the quality of the goods issued from its Home will meet at the residence of Mrs. In order to overawe the disloyal Dutch the train seen above, manned by at her door. "Jackies" from the British warships, is kept constantly moving about Cape To outbid all those advantages the Hollanders urge the inexhaustible re-sources of their colonies on the west Nelden on next Tuesday morning at 11 factories, it is so with the American o'clock. Business of importance will be transacted, and a full attendance is de-Colony. When a suspected settlement is reached the men march around Bicycle company. I believe the gener-al public understands this and approves of the careful system of inspection and armed to the teeth to remind the disloyal farmers that he British lion is coast of Sumatra. aired still in the ring.