

by into every detail connected with the working of the farms. He does not hesitate to tell the stewards and his subordinates that his interest in farming is dictated by a desire to make money.

The squire of Sandringham has a memory that is terrible to his farm folk. "Might I suggest," he would say politely, "that it would be well to have those loose bricks removed from the wall?" That afternoon he disappears as suddenly as he came and does not turn up again for two months. Meantime the second assistant steward has been so busy with more important matters that he has forgotten all about those triling bricks. But one would suppose the squire had been thinking about nothing else for the whole two months. On his return he steers for them directly, and then has the second assistant steward called up.

"I suggested that those bricks yonder might be replaced," he says with chilling courtesy. "Would you have the goodness to have it done now?" with a slight but ominous accent on the now.

There is no reprimand and nothing further is said on the subject, but the guilty official knows that if the king should disappear at that moment and never return till two years later the first thing he would look for would be those two offending bricks.

REMEMBERED JOHNNY'S COUGH.

According to all accounts there never was such a head for detail; and, in consequence the Sandringham stock is probably the best cared for in England. The trait in disconcerting to the employees, but it has its good features, for the king has his mother's knack of remembering all about the servants' families. He was heard on one occasion, after a month's absence from Sandringham, to inquire of one of the grooms how the little boy's cough was. The groom was embarrassed, and had to inquire which of the little boys it was that had had the cough. The king with considerable amusement refreshed the fond father's memory by pointing out that it was little Johnny.

When the king leaves affairs of state for his farms, he becomes a typical farmer in his general get-up. He wears a soft or hard felt hat, as the state of the weather demands; corduroy breeches, the regulation gaiters and a pair of heavy hobnailed boots—the latter a great deal heavier than those worn by the man who follows the plow. He is accompanied on such occasions by the steward and two mysterious-looking personages, who always follow at a regulation distance. These men, so quick and span, dressed in the latest London style, are always objects of much speculation among the farm hands, as it is only the steward who is aware that they are a couple of Scotland Yard detectives, whose duty it is to safeguard his majesty on lonely tours of this description. The bushes and hedges are closely watched lest they might provide a hiding place for evil-

disposed persons; and the king is carefully kept from approaching closely any beast on the farm that is supposed to betray the slightest signs of irritation or wickedness.

HE GETS BIG PRICES.

The disposal of the products of the

mon thing to see in the windows of the shopkeepers in the towns of Norfolk and the adjoining counties "Best fruit from the royal gardens at Sandringham," "Best vegetables from his majesty's farms," "Best Sandringham mutton," etc.

The same custom prevailed among



SQUIRE WETTIN IN HIS FARMING COSTUME

farm is much the same as in the case of any ordinary farmer. The cattle and sheep are sent to the local fairs and markets, but those who buy them take care to label them "royal." It is a com-

London shopkeepers until her late majesty prohibited it. On being driven through Bond street one day she was shocked to see an announcement in a fruit shop window calling attention to

what was described as "Best apples from her majesty's orchards at Windsor." She ordered the notice down, and the traders were embarrassed very no longer known as a customer of the queen.

STEADY INCREASE IN VALUE.

The draft sales from the king's famous short-horns have been eloquent of the royal progress in this direction. In two Derby winners, Fremington and Diamond Jubilee, together with a number of other animals with which his majesty has won a lot of money on the turf—some not included in the estimate of \$200,000 as his annual income from agricultural pursuits.

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QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S PRIZES.

The royal farmer is also coming out strong with other farm products. He has won prizes at the horticultural exhibits for the fruit and flowers grown at Windsor and has even captured a prize for pigeons. Queen Alexandra, who cares precious little for horses, but lavishes her affection on dogs, has won several prizes for her pets, and, as becomes a Danish princess, her dairy is famous for its butter. She has a good deal more genuine and personal interest in her deliciously neat and fragrant dairy building at Sandringham than ever Marie Antoinette had in her make-believe butter making in the toy dairy at Versailles, which is visited annually by so many thousand Americans.

The accounts of the royal farms are kept as a separate item, and so methodical has the king become since he ascended the throne that a balance is now struck every half year. The profits are paid into the king's private account and are drawn upon from time to time as the occasion requires by the keeper of his majesty's private purse. Gratuities are paid yearly to the heads of departments in recognition of their "faithful services," and this inspires them with additional energy in working the farms successfully. The king is a great believer in paying men according to their merits.

DESTITUTION IN JAMAICA.

Hurricane Brings People of the Island Face to Face With Starvation.

ALL INDUSTRIES PROSTRATE

Property Worth Millions Destroyed and Annexation to U. S. Suggested As Means of Salvation.

Special Correspondence, Kingston, Jamaica, Sept. 1.—The destitution following in the train of the recent hurricane which swept over the northern and eastern portions of the island of Jamaica can hardly be described. At Port Antonio thousands of homeless and starving people sought shelter in the old prison and the few other buildings which survived the fury of the storm. The railroad station and waiting rooms were for days crowded with women and children, while those who could not be thus accommodated covered in the lee of ruined walls and the school districts. The great majority of the sufferers are still subsisting on green bananas, cooked in old tin cans over open fires made of debris of wrecked buildings, though the

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Many a time I have had to lie just in one position in order to have any comfort or to enjoy half a decent night's rest. This is not a pleasant condition to be in for a man performing even the most trivial act around his workshop has twinges in the small of his back which almost makes him exclaim, 'neither is it pleasant to arise morning after morning very poorly prepared to commence another day's hard work. A sure indication that my kidneys were at the bottom of the whole disturbance was the action and condition of the kidney secretions. Something about an advertisement wherein it stated that Doan's Kidney Pills could be depended upon in such cases induced me to go to the F. J. Hill Drug Co., store for a box. It is difficult to understand how a simple little pill could have had such effect upon the action of the kidney secretions and could have stopped the backache, but it is a positive fact that the treatment did. I very emphatically endorse Doan's Kidney Pills."

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local merchants are doing all they can to relieve the distress. At other small seaports the situation is quite as desperate as at Port Antonio, and in the interior scarcely a peasant's house has been left standing. Even the substantial stone homes of the planters have been unroofed. The rude shanties of fallen trees, palm branches and banana leaves which the peasants have erected for temporary protection from the elements have been of little value in the continued unsettled weather, with its occasional torrential storms.

Efforts are being made at Kingston by means of subscriptions for food and building material to ameliorate these sad conditions, but unless immediate shipments of food stuffs come from the United States deaths by starvation are inevitable. The people of the United States responded so nobly to the call from Maribou and St. Vincent after the awful eruption of Mount Pelee and La Soufriere that the distracted Jamaicans feel that they have some reason to expect a similar appreciation of their present needs by the open handed republic to the north.

Aside from the actual physical suffering of the actual Jamaicans, thousands of whom have been incapacitated by injuries incident to the tornado, the blow from which it will take them years to recover. It is thought that the destruction of property will reach a total of \$15,000,000. All the banana, coconut, coffee, sugar and other plantations of the eastern part of the island have been hopelessly wrecked, and agriculture is practically at a standstill. The starving peasants not only have no food, but no shelter, but they have no way of earning money to get these things. Port Antonio, the Jamaican headquarters of the United Fruit company, had recently become a thriving port. Its wharves were always busy, and it was nothing unusual for a half dozen of the company's steamers to be there at one time. The company's hotel at Port Antonio, the Hotel Richmond, was one of the best in Jamaica. It was a large, picturesque building, with all modern accessories, standing on an eminence overlooking the harbor. Last winter it was crowded with tourists that word was sent to the company's Boston office that no more guests could be accommodated. The adjacent fruit plantations were more than prosperous. Now only ruins remain. The hotel, wharves, offices and plantations are all gone. Five of the big steamers were driven ashore and partially wrecked. Six houses only were standing after the storm had passed.

Port Maria, a lively little port of 2,000 inhabitants, on the north coast 20 miles from Port Antonio, directly across the isthmus, Kingston, was wiped out of existence. The city was the port of call for the parish of St. Mary, and there when the hurricane descended upon it. They were all wrecked.

At Kingston, which escaped the worst of the disaster, thousands of houses were damaged, wharves battered and several coasting schooners sunk. Rivers throughout the island burst their banks, adding to the destruction caused by the wind. Only the edge of the tornado struck the island at first, and it was thought the worst was over when the storm suddenly veered to return and wreak vengeance on a population whose fears had been set at rest and most of whom were in bed. The great wonder is that the list of those killed and injured was so small—about a hundred. Halfbreeds escaped without number have been reported. The light character of the driving of the storm people seems to have been the only reason why they were not all slain.

production of sugar, an industry which was gradually becoming less and less profitable through the competition of the bounty fed sugar of Germany and the exhaustion of the soil. The conservation of the British planters in sticking to the crops which their ancestors had planted had fair to reduce the island to bankruptcy, and repeated appeals were made to the imperial government for aid in the shape of bounties or preferential duties. These appeals were consistently turned down, and a strong party favoring annexation to the United States sprang up. The growth of the new fruit trade with the United States added to the arguments on the side of annexation. Then came the Spanish war and the American occupation of Cuba and Porto Rico. The boom which followed American rule to these former misgoverned Spanish provinces caught the jealous eyes of Jamaica, and it was openly demanded of Secretary Chamberlain in public meetings why the British West Indies should not enjoy the same blessings.

The prostration of the island resulting from the hurricane, which gave new impulse to the annexationist propaganda, for while the planters might have waited patiently under ordinary conditions for the outcome of the colonial secretary's campaign for an imperial solution they could not wait for it now. The readiness which the American government has always shown to come to the rescue of a stricken community of its own and even to extend its assistance to foreign communities which have been visited by great calamities, while the British government has been so slow at such times of disaster, has been a source of great dissatisfaction with the present form of government.

It is not generally known that nearly 50 years ago Jamaica practically seceded from the British empire, the Jamaica assembly in 1827 declaring in favor of annexation to the United States or the complete independence of the island in consequence of the inactivity of the governor, the Duke of Manchester, at the command of the British government, to force through the annexation of the island. The white gro slaves, Jamaica then sent representatives to the United States to see what the country was prepared to do. The proposition received little consideration in Washington.

The abolition of slavery was finally proclaimed in 1834. The planters were paid about \$20,000,000 for their slaves, and an apprentices system to take the place of slavery was adopted. It proved a failure and was dropped two years later. With the freeing of the slaves the island developed rapidly. The white population was so small that it was almost swallowed up by the negroes, but in time the education of the freed slaves bettered conditions, and when the slaves in the United States were liberated by President Lincoln without the aid of a cent to their owners the white Jamaicans decided that they had not been so badly treated after all and abandoned their attitude of sullen discontent.

Even now the white population of the island is infinitesimal compared with that of the blacks. Of a total estimated population of 70,000 but 2,000 are white. However much it would benefit Jamaica to join the United States, it may be doubted that the government at Washington wants any more race problems than it already has.

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