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The Danish West Indies

Some Historical and Other Facts Which Should Possess Interest at This Time.

The Danish West Indies are part of the Virgin islands, a group of thirty-four small bodies of land, all but two belonging to Great Britain. The Danish islands are St, Thomas and St. John, of the Virgin group, and St. Croix, which lies to the conthwest and is the largest and most for southwest, and is the largest and most fer-tile of the three. St. Thomas harbor is one of the best in the West Indies, and at one time was a great centre of trade, but its importance has greatly diminished since 1870.

The Virgin islands were discovered by Columbus in 1493, and St. Thomas was first colonized by the Dutch a century and a half later. St. Croix, or, as it is usually called, Santa Cruz, was settled by the Dutch in 1625, and later small settlements were made at St. Thomas, but the Dutch left to go to New York, and St. Thomas was occupied by the Danes in 1671, and St. John's in 1719. The orginal settlements were made by the Danish West India and Guinea company. Santa Cruz was bought from the French in 1733, and the control

of the entire group passed under the control trol of the King of Denmark in 1734. The early history of these islands is re-plete with the power of the buccaneers, who ravaged merchant vessels plying in the Spanish Main, but who were gradually or called as the islands in turn received expelled, as the islands in turn received stable governments. They followed the decline of Spanish authority, and were, in fact, instrumental in expelling the Span-iards. Their career covered almost the entire seventeenth century, and supported as they were by the white residents of the islands, in there warfare against Spain, it is not too much to say that they were deserving of some praise and admiration.

St. Thomas owed its great prosperity during the next two centuries to its neutral position. The nations which had a foothold in the West Indies were almost

port of call and coaling station. There are

man, English and American steamship

lines make St. Thomas a regular port of call, and each maintains coaling stations.

St. John has an area of forty-two square

square miles, is well cultivated, but its

output of sugar, rum and molasses is much

being Freiderichsted. There are no har-

The town of Charlotte Amalie, viewed

blue water. Fort Christian, a relic of by-gone centuries, lies on the waterfront, and

gone centuries, lies on the waterront, and is garrisoned by native troops. Near it is a handsome barracks, occupied by a com-pany of Danish troops. The town proper is well laid out, and presents a prosperous appearance. Everywhere are gardens, a mass of colored flowers and tall green

St. Croix does not resemble St. Thomas

es and rum. Trade is greatly handi-

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as it is low and flat. It is well cultivated.

and produces large quantities of sugar

capped by the absence of a harbor, and all shipments must be made from the beach

to vessels lying in shoal open roadsteads.

Many interesting sights are to be seen at St. Croix, old Moravian chapels and a pic-

odd but attractive method of decorating

graves consists of conch shells set in a bed

of concrete, the deep pink of the conches making a vivid contrast to the pearl gray

St. Thomas owes its present trade to its

position as a "free port," and it has been

turesque graveyard at Christiansted.

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that had made many fortunes.

will be lost by coming under the Ameri-can flag, and even free trade with the United States will not be of great assist-

As a straegical port, St. Thomas could be easily fortified, but it is not so well adapt-ed for defence as the English base at Port en for defence as the English base at Port Castries, St. Lucia, the "Gibraltar of the West Indies." It is, however, of great importance, as the island controls the An-geda Passage from the Atlantic ocean to the Caribbean sea.

The climate of the Danish West Indies is not as hot as would be imagined, as the is not as not as would be magnetic, as the northeast trade winds greatly mitigate the severity of the sun. The nights are usual-ly cool, with a fresh sea breeze. Communication between St. Thomas and

Schooners, the Vigilant and the American. The former, which makes excellent time, is said to be the oldest vessel in active trade. She was built in Boston, Mass, in 1781, and has been under the Danish flag for a contrary. The American is refer flag for a century. The America is refer-red to by the islanders as the "new boat," as she is only about 70 years old. The sentiment of the inhabitants of the

island in general may be said to be op-posed to the chauge of the government, except in St. Croix, which will be benefit, ed by free trade with this country. St-Thomas will not, however, reap this benefit. Thomas will not, however, reap this benefit. as it is a trading port, not a producing port, having gained its present position owing to its having been the great distributing point in the Lesser Antilles. No trouble need be anticipated, however, as the best think-ing people are peaceful, and have long looked forward to union with the United States. A. B. B., Jr.-Philadelphia Ledg-

Have You Used Them.

Odd Phrases and Expressions and How They Originated.

Dr. Horne, the editor of the National Educator, has compiled the following in-teresting notes: "To feel in apple-pie order" is a phrase which dates back to Puritan times—to a certain Hephzibah Merton. It seems that every Saturday she was accustomed to bake two or three dozen was accustomed to bake two or three dozen apple pies, which were to last her family through the coming week. These were placed carefully on her pantry shelves, labeled for each day of the week, so that Tuesday's pies might not be confused with Thursday's nor those presumably large or intended for inaching and sweeping days intended for washing and sweeping days eaten when household labors were lighter. Aunt Hephzibah's "apple-pie order" was known throughout the entire settlement, and originated the well known saying.

It was once customary in France, when guest had outstayed his welcome, for the host to serve a cold shoulder of mutton, instead of a hot roast. This was the origin of the pinace, "To give the cold shoulder." That far from an elegant expression "To

kick the bucket," is believed to have originated in the time of Queen Elizabeth, when a shoemaker named Hawkins com-mitted suicide by placing a bucket on a table in order to raise himself high enough

ter river—the Schledt—hence the expres-sion 'helter skelter.'' "Go to Halifax !" That town was

place of special terror for rogues because of the first rude guillotine invented there by Manuaye for chopping off felons' heads. Halifax law was that the criminal "should a great deal of good to be rolled and tossed

Touched Live Wire and Died

Cain Threw His Head Back to Laugh When He Received Full Force of 2,400 Volts .--Flames From His Mouth.

While sitting in the power house of the New York and Staten Island Electric com-pany at Livingston, N. Y., early Sunday morning talking to a friend, Cornelius Cain, the night machinist in the plant, was instantly killed by accidentally touch-ing a live wire, 2,400 volts passing through

his body. Cain had been walking about the build-ing through the night, and about three o'clock in the morning sat down on the casting for a new engine which is being installed, and began talking with Thomas Installed, and began talking with Thomas McFarland, an oiler of Prospect avenue, Port Richmond. The casting was lying close to the brick wall of the building and directly back of Cain's head were the wires which supply the currents for the arc lights. These were fastened on small porcelain knobs, which project about an inch or two from the side of the building, and are carefully insulated. When Cain and are carefully insulated. When Cain sat down the wires were carrying the full

load of about 2,400 volts. When Cain was talking to McFarland the latter it is said, feeling tired, dozed off into a light sleep, and awakened suddenly and looked about the room. Cain broke into a laugh and threw his head back. As he did so the back of his head came in contact with the heavily charged wires. In-stantly there was a brilliant flash, and the flames seemed to come out of Cain's mouth and before McFarland or the other work men in the plant could raise a hand Cain fell to the floor dead. McFarland looked at him for a moment and then fell to the

floor in a faint. Thomas Riley, of Bement avenue, West Brighton, and George Kirk, of Port Rich-mond, had witnessed the accident.

mond, had witnessed the accident. They picked up Cain's lifeless body and carried it to one side. It was fully an hour before McFarland gained con-sciousness. He was completely unnerved and went from one swoon to another. When Cain's body was picked up there was still a smile on his lips. The body was removed to the home of the unfortu-nate mau, on Columbia street, West Brigh-ton. Cain was married and leaves a wife ton. Cain was married and leaves a wife

which was slightly damp, and the casting on which Cain was seated completed a cirout, causing the current to pass through

Home Liquors Come Back.

Whisky Shipped from America is Reported, Much Improved.

Two hundred and fifty barrels of whisky were cleared at the Kansas City Customs port recently. Although it came from abroad, the liquor was made in Kentucky, mitted suicide by process table in order to raise himself high enough to reach a rafter above, then kicking away the bucket on which he stood. When the Spanish armada came to the coasts of England, many of the ships were driven by the fierce attack of Drake and driven by the fierce attack of Drake and the elements north and its return to this country throws a littities of liquor were sent out of the coun-try in order to avoid the immediate pay-ment of taxes. This law was repealed and

a measure allowing a leeway of time was substituted for it. Dealers do not object to an extra ocean

to India. For some reason the ale was re-

turned to the maker, and when a bottle of it

was opened it was found that the beverage

was much better than when it was started

for the first ocean trip. From that time it

of ale to send their product across the

purpose of improving it thereby. Great

quantities of the ale are shipped as ballast

and is better than the ale that has always

Walker Gave the Horse Away.

ed in the quicksand and rolling mud that

the angry waters made of the half-prepared

drowning persons from out an icy river. In a short time he was in a position where a false step meant an even obance for life or death. He got both the horse and him-

self out of the scrape. Then he turned around and discharged every man on the

job, and wound up by giving the horse

Strychnine Sent in Candy.

Men Ill from Anthrax Poison.

Wealthy Woman to Hasten

ver, who is at the Savoy.

water two or three times merely for

became the practice of these manufactures

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and worth more money

The Negro Population.

Census Figures Make its Increase About One Per Cent a Year

At the close of the Revolutionary War, there were 750,000 colored people in the United States, of whom 55,000 were free blacks and 695,000 slaves. At each successive enumeration the colored population of the United States had grown until 1860, when it was 4,500,000-500,000 free and 4,-000 000 sloves 000,000 slaves

It was at this period that the controversy arose as to whether (moral, ethical, and political questions apart) the growth of the colored population was promoted or retard-ed by the institution of slavery While it was in progress, and by the next decen-nial census taken in 1870, the color-ed population was returned—all free— as 4,880,000, a gain of less than one per as 4,880,000, a gain of less than one per cent. over the preceding ten years and in-dicating (freedom was not conducive to the growth of population among colored people of the country or that the enumeration of them was imperfectly taken. Whatever the cause may have been by the next succeeding census of 1880 the col-ored population of the country was 6 580 -

ored population of the country was 6,580,-000 a gain of thirty five per cent. in ten years. It was declared by some critics, however, that the census of the colored population was padded. Color was given to the charge by the fact that the 1890 cen-sus showed the colored population of the country to be 7,470,000, a gain of only thirteen per cent. over the preceding cen-

Last year's enumeration shows the colored population to be 8,500,000, the ratio of increase being very much the largest in the extreme Southern States. The increase of the colored population appears to be fix-ed at about one per cent. a year.

Hogg, in Oil, May Rival Rockefeller.

Is ex-Governor J. S. Hogg, of Texas, to be a rival of John D. Rockefeller and his Standard Oil monopoly? The latest dis-patches would almost furnish an affirmapatches would almost furnish an anima-tive answer to this. Mr. Hogg is now ex-tensively interested in the Beaumont oil field, and he will sail shortly for London, where he proposes to float a company with a capital of \$25,000,000. This wealth is to be used to construct an immense sys-tem of pine lines operate oil tank steamtem of pipe lines, operate oil tank steam-ships and generally compete with Mr. Rockefeller's Oil Trust in the marketing of fuel oil. It is within the memory of most fuel oil. It is within the memory of most people now alive that the time does not go very far back when the present oil king began his struggle which finally made him the richest man in the world. Governor Hogg is a middle-aged man, and he may succeed in taking his place by the side of his big commercial brother as one of the great factors in the oil industry. great factors in the oil industry.

Boy of 9 Earns \$500

Elmer Chester Hazelrigg, of Decatur, Ill., is barely nine years old, and has earned over \$50. Most of this is invested in business that he is now carrying on unaided by his parents.

The lad got a financial start when six years old. A neighbor let him have the milk from a cow. This he sold, and in about a year he had saved enough to buy a

cow. Before long he had three cows. Last summer he sold two cows and went into the gardening business. He made over \$100 that season. He did nearly all of the work in the garden and peddled the vegetables he raised. He owns a horse and wagon.

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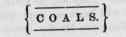
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reaped the great harvest of uninterrupted the memory of Joe Dun, bailiff of Lincoln, trade. Merchant vessels, men-of-war, pirates and privateers met on an equal who was so keen a collector that his name has become a proverb. footing there. to trade and to purchase sup-"By hook and by crook" is an allusion

plies for the merchants. But such an arti-ficial condition declined with the succeedto an ancient manorial custom, which permitted the neighboring poor to take all the wood that they could reach and pull down ing years of peace, and with it the trade from the forest trees. using only their shep-The entire group has an area of 133 herds crooks.

square miles, and a population of about 32,000. St. Thomas has an area of about To "have the gift of gab" means the gift of the (use of the) mouth, "gab" being the twenty-three square miles and a population of 12,000 most of whom reside at Charlotte Amalie, the capital and sea-Scotch word for mouth. 'Scot'' means tax. To ''go scot free,

and the freight is therefore small. A pop-ular brand is marked "XXX". This therefore, really means tax free, and hence port. Once the island was devoted to the generally, to get off without the impost of any tax or forfeiture, to escape entirely means that it has had three ocean shakings culture of cane sugar, but the acreage has steadily decreased, and the town is now from any evil consequences of one's act. "Hold the fort." In October, 1864, practically dependent on its business as a

stayed at home. Allatoona Pass, a defile in the mountains several deposits of copper and manganese near Charlotte Amalie, which give some promise of future wealth. French, Gerof Georgia, was guarded by General Corse with 1,500 men. It was a strong stragetic point, and moreover, 1,500,000 rations were stored there. Fresich, the Southern general. with 6,000 men, attacked the gar rison, and drove the defenders into a small fort on the crest of the hill. The battle miles, but has a population of under 900, and is virtually ruined. St. Croix, the largest island, with an area of seventy-four was fierce; the Northern soldiers fell in such numbers that further fighting seemed folly. But one of Crose's officers caught sight of a white signal flag fluttering the breeze on the top of the Kenesaw Mounless now than in recent years. Its capital is Christiansted, the other principal town tain, across the valley, fifteen miles away. The signal was answered, and then came the inspiring message from mountain to mountain : "Hold the fort; I am com-submerged and in danger of being smotherbors at St. Croix, the two towns being on mountain: "Hold the fort; I am com-ing-W. T. Sherman." Cheer after cheer open roadsteads, approached over treach-erous shoals. In striking contrast to St. Thomas, the island is flat and rolling, innumbers, they did hold the fort for hours until the advance guard of Sherman's army came to their relief. Six years later P. P. Bliss, the evangelist, heard the story in all its vivid detail from a soldier friend then words and help the horse. When they re-fused he started laying planks along the drowning persons from out an icy river. went up, and though hopelessly reduced in numbers, they did hold the fort for hours from the harbor, is one of the most attractive sights in the West Indies. It is built along the water's edge, rising upon three ridges, a delightful mass of pink roofs, yeland then wrote words and music of this amous hymn. low and light blue houses, nestling among the green hills, overlooking a sheet of deep

"Dog days" are so called from Sirius, the most brilliant of the fixed stars in the head of the constellation Canis Major or the Greater Dog, and include the period from July 3rd to August 11th. During this period this star and the sun rise within the same hour and the ancients who worshipped the dog attributed the existence of summer to the influence of this constellation-a superstition which has been perpetuated to the present day in the use of the term.

John D Lankenan's Fortune for Char-

John D. Lankenau, a philanthropist and a member of the Drexel family, who died last week and was burried on Tuesday, left about \$1,500,000 to be divided equally between the German hospital, of Philadelphia, and the Mary J. Drexel home for aged patients of the hospital.

The estate is estimated to be worth a little more than \$1,500,000. Paintings valued at \$150,000 are bequeathed to the Drexel institute, founded by Anthony J. Drexel, and about \$50,000 is divided among surviving relatives of the deceased for years a most important coaling station. English, American, French and German lines all maintain coal wharves, of trustees of the German hospital and was and a prosperous business is done in importing coal. There is a large floating dry dock in the harbor. Being a free port, St.

of great importance in the manufacture of Jamaica rum, bay rum and Florida water, large quantities being imported from other islands and then exported. This trade —Brooklyn Life.

physician.

away."

Plot to

Kill

about in a heavy sea. When the whisky lion dollars ?" said one plain every day comes back home it is greatly improved

man. "Oh," replied the other. "I suppose I'd A member of the Morrin-Powers Mercantile Company said the other day that a put in most of my time comparing myself with some one who had a billion and feellarge shipment of English ale was once sent ing discontented."

> Pennsylvania Railroad Reduced Rates to San Francisco.

On account of the triennial convention of the Protestant Episcopal church, to be held at San Francisco beginning October 2nd, the Pennsylvania railroad company will sell round-trip tickets to San Francisco from all points on its line at greatly reduced rates.

Tickets will be sold September 18th to 25th, inclusive, and will be good to return to leave San Francisco not earlier than Oct. 3rd, and only on date of execution by joint agent, to whom a fee of fifty cents must be paid, and passengers must reach original starting point by Nov. 15th, 1901.

The Pennsylvania railroad company will The Pennsylvania railroad company will also run a personally-conducted tour to the Pacific coast on this occasion by special train, starting Sept. 23rd and returning Oct. 22nd. Round-trip rate, \$185. For further information apply to ticket agents, or address Geo. W. Boyd, assistant general passenger agent, Philadelphia. "J. Brisban Walker has one of the most adventurous natures of any man of importance I know,"said Harvey Wells, of Den-ver, who is at the Savoy. "When Walker was remaking a mile or so of river front in

Denver that he later turned into a fine park a sudden rise of the Platt washed away a lot of things, including the ground

from under a stable on the improvement Walker was making. When Walker came on the scene to look over the damage done Pennsylvania Railroads Special Excursions to Pan-American Exposition,

The Pennsylvania railroad company will run special excursions to Buffalo on ac-count of the Pan-American Exposition, count of the Pan-American Exposition, from Philadelphia and adjoining territory, on September 5th, 11th, 17th and 26th. Round trip tickets, good going ouly on special train leaving Philadelphia at 8:44 a. m., Harrisburg 11:50 a. m., Sun-bury 1:03 p. m., Williamsport 2:30 p. m., Lock Haven 3:06 p. m., and on local trains connecting therewith, and good to return on regular trains within seven days. count return on regular trains within seven days, including day of excursion, will be sold at rate of \$9.80 from Trenton, \$9.00 from Reading, \$9.00 from Philadelphia, \$9.00 from Lancaster, \$8.40 from Harrisburg, \$7.25 from Altoona (via Tyrone), \$10.00 from Winchester, and proportionate rates from other points. These tickets will not be good in Pullman parlor or sleeping cars in either direction. Stop of 30 minutes will be made at Williamsport for luncheon For specific time and rates, consult local 46-34-4 ticket agents.

Reduced Rates to Scranton Via Penn-sylvania Railroad.

For the meeting of the State League of Republican clubs to be held in Scranton, September 17th and 18th, the Pennyl-vania railroad company will sell excursion tickets to Scranton from all stations on its line in the State of Pennsylvania at the rate of one fare for the round trip (mini-num rate, 25 cents.) Tickets to be sold The woman ate of the candy and was at nd good going September 16th, 17th and once taken sick. Her life was saved by a a8th and to return until September 20th, 1nclusive.

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Mrs. Myra Priest, a waiter in a restau-rant in Deadwood, S. D., is under arrest for attempted murder. She has a daughter about 14 years old, who has been adopt ity. ed by a Mrs. Vener, who resides near Whitewood. Mrs. Vener is wealthy, and had promised to leave to the little girl all her proper-ty. To hasten this end, it is alleged, the mother of the girl sent a box of candy saturated with strychnine to the little girl, with instructions for her to not eat any of it herself, but to give it to Mrs. Vener, which was done.