

HILLS OF JAMAICA

The Goal Toward Which Our Tourists Are Rushing in This Age of Pleasure Seeking.

AMERICAN CAPITALISTS GOING

To Develop Railroads and Build Big Hotels in the Balmey Land of Sunshine and Flowers.

SCENERY UNSURPASSED ANYWHERE.

Headquarters of the Native and the Visitors One of the Wonders of the World.

(CORRESPONDENCE OF THE DISPATCH.)

INGSTON, JAMAICA, W. I., Jan. 21.—The great stream of tourists is ever seeking new and more interesting channels, seems to have turned toward this part of the world with a strong and steady flow.

During the past year or so the West India Islands have been visited by a great many travelers from America and from Europe, both by tourists in search of pleasures that have the charm of novelty and by those travelers who leave the cold bleak north at the approach of winter and migrate with the swallows to warmer and more genial climes.

This part of the western hemisphere is being rediscovered, and the process seems to afford as many surprises and as much pleasure to the latter-day discoverers as it did to Columbus 400 years ago.

These islands have been practically out of the world, or out of history, since the stirring days of the buccaners and the pirates of the Spanish main, and of the wars between the French, the Spaniards and the English.

Natural Scenery Unsurpassed.

But American capitalists have recently discovered that the Spaniards did not exhaust all the wealth of the islands and American tourists have found in them a wealth of natural scenery and attractions unsurpassed in the world.

The tourists seem to have directed their attention to the islands and even of Cuba, and have pushed farther afield into the more enchanting region of the tropics, where nature is at her loveliest and where in the enjoyment of a winter climate which is simply perfection is added that of a wealth of superb scenery and a quaintness of people and customs not possessed by any of the more frequently visited winter resorts.

In the French islands of Guadeloupe, Martinique or Reunion, and in some of the Danish islands, the architecture of the little towns and the manners and customs of the people have changed so little in the past two or three hundred years that one almost seems to be living in the seventeenth century, and the brilliant sunshine and luxuriant tropical vegetation lend a strange charm to the little narrow streets of old French houses and the curious crooked of creoles and negroes that throng them.

Almost Like Darkest Africa.

Here in Jamaica, and in some others of the British islands, one gets glimpses back into the old planting days, when sugar was king and the planters were princes, who lived in magnificence. In others, where the negroes are in almost complete possession, leaving out of consideration the black Republic of Haiti, which, though one of the loveliest of the group of the Caribbean Sea, is not a desirable place for white tourists to visit, one beholds scenes and conditions of life that are entirely unique, unless their counterparts may be found on the line of Stanley's march through Africa.

Capital in New Enterprises.

bought out many old industries and so stirred up the place and the people that the country is fast becoming Americanized, so far as its commercial aspect is concerned. The Jamaicans regard the transformation with great satisfaction, and a very large

accommodation. Even Kingston would offer but a very limited amount, although the quality was most excellent, if somewhat odd in details.

This great drawback is, however, being remedied. An American hotel company has set out to supply the want, and a fine hotel, on the American system, with American comforts and an American manager, has been erected a few miles out from Kingston, and is the forerunner of others to be built in all the principal towns and all the points of attraction on the island.

Although the Kingston Hotel was not quite completed last winter, its 20 or 30 available rooms were fully occupied during the entire season by American visitors, and the prospects are that when the grand exhibition is held soon in Kingston the hotel will be more than crowded.



A JAMAICA STREET SCENE.

any of the island's chief beauties, but this, too, is being overcome.

Americans Gobbling the Railroads.

An American syndicate bought out the 66 miles of Government railroad that runs nowhere in particular, this year, and has commenced work on \$8,000,000 worth of extensions, which, when completed, will bring within easy reach some of the finest tropical scenery in the world.

The island is simply a mass of hills, piled up on each other and scattered about in every direction. Some are steep and rugged, others are gently sloping with rounded summits.

All are covered with dense tropical vegetation from base to top, and the sides are broken up into numberless picturesque ravines, down which sparkling streams leap and tumble over mossy beds and under green masses of ferns and other plants.

In some districts the general appearance of the country suggests nothing so much as that of a sea that has been upheaved in great variety of terraces and has suddenly solidified into others it is precisely as Columbus graphically portrayed it, when, on being asked what Jamaica looked like, he crumpled a piece of paper in his hand and



A Creole of Jamaica.

then placing it on the table said that was like Jamaica. In some parts the mountains extend clear down to the sea, ending in precipitous cliffs at "Lover's Leap," near the town of Black River, a sloping precipice 6,160 feet high, the base of which is washed by the sea.

Some Hatter's Nightmares.

There is also quite as much to interest the tourist in the quaintness of the native villas and the solitary little huts scattered around the island and in the queer customs of the people as in the scenery. Probably the first custom that would strike the eye of the average American not unfamiliar with the current slang on making his initial tour through the streets of Kingston would

These nightmares of the hatter's brain do not fit snugly to the head, but have a framework inside that allows a half inch space for ventilation all around the head, so that a man who wears a number seven derby requires at least a number ten pith hat.

The appearance of the pith hat and its wearer is much like that of an overgrown animated mushroom. These hats, however, are very light and an excellent protection against the sun's rays. The swell Jamaicans affect a big white felt sombrero, often with a highly colored silk scarf tied around the crown.

There are sun hats and helmets of every variety. Some of the stylish young men wear the most uncomfortable black derby. East India coolie men hang around the street corners with their heads swathed in immense white turbans, and the coolie women wear several yards of white cloth, picturesquely draped over their heads, with



THE NEGRO WOMEN OF KINGSTON.

the ends floating out behind them. The negro women tie a gaudy bandana handkerchief around their heads, and on that perch an old derby or straw hat, or any kind of hat they can possess themselves of. On Sundays these women often appear in marvellous creations of millinery, but always as a secondary adornment with the bandana.

Occasionally one sees a silk pith hat of antique design, and an old pith hat with a deep band of white calico tied around it and floating behind in the breeze may be seen on the head of some proud darkey. The police men wear little round peaked caps, and the black soldiers a zouave turban of red and white, with a yellow tassel. "Hats I have seen" would form an interesting collection of photographs.

WARNER WELLMAN.

GOSSIP OF THE GUARDS.

The Second Brigade staff was the only one fully represented at the inaugural reception last Tuesday night.

The election in Company I of McKeesport, which was to have been held last night, was postponed until Tuesday evening, February 2.

GOVERNOR PATTERSON'S first official order to the National Guard was received in the city yesterday. It announces the appointment of Adjutant General William McClelland.

THE much-looked-for Adjutant General's report for the year 1889 was issued last week. Most of the information it contains is now practically old, and the many recommendations it contains are practically valueless.

CAPTAIN W. E. THOMPSON, of the Fourteenth Regiment, is making a bustle to be City Controller of McKeesport, now that the Controller of McKeesport, which has been put on the Monopahela has put on long clothes. His military friends wish him luck in his canvass.

AMONG the members of the Governor's staff whose appointments are determined on are Surgeon General Reed, Judge Advocate Rogers, Chief of Artillery Robinson, Inspector General McKibben, Colonel Elliott and Colonel Spangler.

THE marksmen's badges and decorations for qualified riflemen and sharpshooters for last season arrived in the city during the week. Over 500 in all came for the three local organizations and consequently just that number of shooters are correspondingly happy. They will be issued by the different inspectors of Rifle Franchises during the coming week.

LEUTENANT COLONEL FRANK L. RUTLEDGE has been confined to his home for the last ten days as a result of severe throat trouble. He decided to go over at once and show the commandant the best route to the city, and for that purpose boarded a freight train to ride across the bridge. On the train a railroad employe told him the report was incorrect and that the company would not arrive until after daylight.

CAPTAIN MALONEY concluded not to cross under those circumstances, and as the train was moving slowly jumped off. He had moved onto the bridge, so that when he jumped off in the darkness, he fell over the bridge into the river. It is supposed he fell on the rocks, which were covered by a few inches of water, killing him instantly.

LEUTENANT KREPP, of the Twenty-second United States Infantry, who was married at Meadville last Wednesday, is an old Pittsburgher and well known to most of the military enthusiasts in the vicinity. Among the pleasant things connected with Mr. Krepp's marriage was a present in the shape of a notice to appear in Washington to be assumed for promotion. He will be elevated to the vacancy caused by the death of Lieutenant Casey among the Indiana several weeks ago. Lieutenant Krepp, by the way, was an intimate friend of Mr. Krepp, and has lived with him in the latter's groomsmen.

QUITE a number of giddy young society dudes all over the State are hunting for appointments on the new Governor's staff, and are ready for opportunities to wear silver on their shoulders. Such appointments, if judged from the past, prove of no benefit whatever to the guard, as the recipients are neither useful nor ornamental, but frequently use their positions to make things unpleasant for older and more capable officers who, for the time being, happen to be their juniors in rank. Several instances of this kind are one of the memories of the campaign at Mt. Gretna last summer. It would be a pretty compliment for Governor Patterson to tender some of these appointments to the workers down the line, who by their efforts have helped bring the guard to its present standing.

THERE has been a variety of accounts of the death of Captain Maloney last Tuesday morning, but the following from an officer, who spent the evening with him, is the proper story of the sad affair. Captain Maloney heard at 6 o'clock in the morning that the Wrightsville Company, of the Eighth Regiment, had been brought down and left across the river from Harrisburg. He decided to go over at once and show the commandant the best route to the city, and for that purpose boarded a freight train to ride across the bridge. On the train a railroad employe told him the report was incorrect and that the company would not arrive until after daylight.

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LAST special auction sale of diamonds, Thursday, January 23, this is positively the last week that would be held in the city to its new tenants February 1.

M. G. COHEN, Diamond Expert and Jeweler, 533 Smithfield street.

GREAT Reduction Sale—Read Edward Grootzinger's advertisement.

HOUSEHOLD goods packed for shipment. HAUGH & KEENAN, 33 Water street.

BEAD Edward Grootzinger's ad.

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Admission, 50 cents; music students, 25 cents; reserved seats, 50 cents extra. Tickets at H. Kleber & Bro., Wood street.

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Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday Nights.

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Matinees Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

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