

Madagascar

Madagascar consists of a central plateau or highland rising from 4,000 feet to 5,000 feet above the lowlands of the coast, and from this plateau rise occasional volcanic cones, the highest, Ankaratra, being 8,950 feet above the sea. These volcanoes extend from the northern extremity of the island to the 20th parallel of south latitude. South of this appear granitic rocks, at least as far as 22 deg. south latitude. At higher latitudes than this the rocks of the interior are practically unknown to Europeans. According to a recent paper by Mr. F. W. Rudler, F. G. S., several craters lakes and mineral springs abound; and to the north of the volcanic district of Ankaratra there is a tract of country containing silver, lead, zinc, and copper ores. As regards building stones, besides the granite which is so general, there are vast beds of sandstone and slate between the district of Ankaratra and the fossil regions in the southwest of the central plateau. These fossils, according to M. Grandidier, the recent French traveler in the interior, are referable to the Jurassic system, and comprise remains of hippopotami, gigantic tortoises, and an extinct bird of the ostrich species. The coasts of the country are rich in timber, and it would also appear that the interior is a good mineral field.

The Slaughtering of Cattle.

The process of killing and dressing beef at the stock yards, says a contemporary, is not as expeditious and wonderful in character as is that of killing and dressing hogs. The features most noticeable are the two methods used in killing the animal at the start. One of these methods is through the use of the rifle, and the other the lance. In both the animals are driven singly from the yard into a narrow box stall open at the top. A dozen of these stalls are in a row, and over their tops are laid some loose planks on which the slayer walks rifle or lance in hand. In the case of the rifle the executioner puts a ball into the animal's brain at short range, which kills instantly. Not a groan is heard, not a muscle moves. The animal falls like a lump of lead, and is at once dragged from the stall into the slaughter-house, where the throat is cut and the process of dressing is completed.

The Spanish-American Treaty.

The St. John Globe shows how the shipping clause of the Spanish-American treaty will injuriously affect the shipping of the Maritime Provinces: "A vessel will take a cargo from a Lower Province port to New York, from New York she will go to a Spanish American or British American port, bring a cargo back to New York, Philadelphia or Baltimore, and this is repeated over and over again in the course of a year. Under the Spanish-American treaty this business will be lost, so far as Cuba and Porto Rico are concerned, because the advantages given to the American bottom will prevent us from competing with it." The treaty, however, is not yet ratified, and from many quarters a very active opposition has come, the effect of which cannot yet be estimated.

Important Conversions.

It is whispered that another season of fashionable conversions, similar to the one that evoked Disraeli's novel of 'Lothair,' is at hand. Young Mr. Thorold, the youngest son of the bishop of Rochester, lately became a Catholic and he is said to be the forerunner of others, quite as noble, who will change their faith. The efforts of the Catholic nobles to get the consent of the Vatican for a great English college are said to be at least likely to be crowned with success. It was rumored that Father Coleridge, a brother of the lord chief justice, would be the warden of the new institution, but the fact of his belonging to the Jesuit order would render him ineligible.

The Oldest Inhabitant.

The oldest person in the State of Wisconsin, John Jondro, aged 121 years, died on Saturday morning Nov. 29, 1884, at Arkansas. Mr. Jondro was born in the parish of Phillip, near Montreal, in 1763. He was in the employ of the Northwestern Fur Company forty years.

A potato planter has been patented by Mr Joseph L. Ullathorne, of Memphis, Tenn. It consists of a frame, rolling drum with wheels and an open sided hopper arranged behind, and will also distribute a fertilizer in the furrows at the time of planting the potatoes.

A student of the Senior class, on being asked to explain the epigram: "The half is greater than the whole," by giving an instance in which it might be true replied: the better half.

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Bradabane	9.23	4.23	Bradabane	2.49	8.08
County Line	9.32	4.32	County Line	2.39	7.58
Freetown	9.48	4.48	Freetown	2.18	7.43
Kennington	10.10	5.10	Kennington	1.59	7.26
Summerside	10.45	5.45	Summerside	1.15	6.45
Misouche	1.00		Misouche	A.M. 11.10	
Wellington	1.22		Wellington	10.47	
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Royalty Junction	2.53		Royalty Junction	10.07	
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