

FRANCE'S "WHITE MAN'S BURDEN" GOVERNING 60,000,000 PEOPLE, SOME OF THEM THE MOST BARBAROUS IN THE WORLD



IN THE FRENCH SAHARA ALL TRAVELS BY CAMELS



A STREET IN TUNIS



GIRLS FROM MADAGASCAR A SAMPLE OF THE FRENCHMAN'S BURDEN



ALGERS IS THE CAPITAL OF AFRICAN FRANCE

PARIS, Oct. 30.—(Special correspondent.)—I have been looking into the Frenchman's share of the white man's burden. It attracts but little attention outside his own country, but it is a big load, and it costs him more than \$300,000,000 a year. There is a Minister of the Colonies at Paris, who has charge of the expenditures, and in addition the Governor-General of French Africa has representatives in the Chamber of Deputies to present the special wants of their country.

strip goes half way across the continent, the British territories of Nigeria, the Gold Coast, the Sierra Leone, and also Liberia and the Kameruns being cut out of it. It reaches the Atlantic Ocean in several places and embraces the French Congo, Dahomey and Senegal. This territory is practically unexplored, but it is being rapidly opened up. A military government has been established at Timbuktu and along the Niger, and the other provinces are governed from Dakar, Senegal. The city lies right under the shadow of Cape Verde, and is connected with St. Louis, the capital of Senegal, by railway. It has four French steamship lines, which make regular passages between it and Dakar, and there are British and German lines to Liverpool and Hamburg.

Improving West Africa. The French are just beginning to develop their West African provinces. They are building up railroads in French Guinea and Senegal. They are also building a jetty about 100 feet long at Conakry, the capital and chief seaport, and they are cutting wagon roads into the interior. In Dahomey there are 600 natives now at work on a railroad which will eventually extend through the country to Lake Chad, and there connect with the line across the Sahara to Algeria.

CHIMMIE FADDEN'S LETTER Resemblance Between Exploiting the Business of Grand Opera and Fine Laundering Well, when Mrs. Murphy's right arm was tired, I don't think there was an inch of whole skin on her part of that young man's body she'd be aiming at. 'Just den Duchesse comes in, and she says we was having a party, and modder, she says it was a picnic, and Duchesse goes over to a tub of water dat had done duty for a washbasin, and she says, 'Dis is my contribution to de picnic,' she says, and she dumps a bag of salt in de tub of water. 'Den I pick up de young man, and I take him up, and I take him to de tub for to pickle him. When de salt and water had got well into de place dat was shy of skin, de copper comes back, and modder makes a charge of housebreaking against de nice young man, and de copper runs him in. 'Dat night when I was fussing about de wood fire in de library I hears Whiskers say to Mr. Paul, he says, 'All dis talk for vice in New York is rot,' he says. 'Most talk is rot,' says Mr. Paul. 'But what talk has you in mind now,' he says. 'Dis talk about vice, and cadets, and red lights, and strong arm gangs,' Whiskers says. 'In de 'lection campaign we has just been through talk of dat kind of talk was too common. It hofts de reputation of de city, and is all lies. Dere is no cadets nor red lights nor strong arm gangs, except in de talk of de wicked men who makes speeches for to scare campaign contributions out of us.' 'I fear dere is some vice left,' says Miss Fanning. 'Who used to be in on de game of doing good down where de most good is wanted.' 'Oh, some, no doubt,' says Whiskers, 'comfortable lie.' 'But not such vice as we hears talked of any way,' he says. 'What vice dere is can be cured by moral suasion. No force or violence is necessary.' 'How is dat, Chimmie?' asks Miss Fanning.

Some French Islands. France has a big sized island empire. Madagascar alone is as long as from New York to Chicago, and as wide as from Washington City to Boston. Just east of it is Reunion, an island not quite as big as Rhode Island, which also belongs to France. It is noted for its plantations of coffee, vanilla, and cloves. Northwest of Madagascar are the Comoro Islands and the Island of Mayotte, all very rich in sugar, vanilla and coffee, and in the West Indies are a number of islands equally valuable. The chief of the West Indian Islands are Guadeloupe and Martinique. The French also own the state of French Guiana on the coast of South America below them. France has also islands in the Pacific. East of Australia it owns New Caledonia, which it uses largely as a prison settlement. It has the Wallis Archipelago northeast of the Fiji, the Huon Islands northwest of New Caledonia, the Loyalty Islands further eastward, Futuna and Aiala, the south of the Wallis Islands, and the New Hebrides. It also has a large number of islands in the South Sea, and especially the Society Islands, the most important of which is Tahiti, with an area of 600 square miles and population of 100,000 souls. The French have also small colonies in East India and some very large ones in farther India, such as Tonkin, Annam, Cochin China and Cambodia, of which I have written in previous letters. FRANK G. CARPENTER (Copyright, 1903.)

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