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## Jamaicans in our Midst

We believe no one for a moment will deny the fact that today Port Limon has a population of nearly over 8,000 souls, the most part of which are English speaking people; the mojority being Jamui-cans. The apparity of A purious people: the majority being Jamui-cans.—The quantity of Americans and those from the United King dom in, comparison with the Ja-maicans from a numerical polar of view are far and few. But they all in common have one aim, and that is in quest of an honest live-lihood.

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The Jamaicans as ie well known
are a willing lot and will work
where sufficient inducement present itself, and will despite the
many disadvantages that come in
their way while they so willingly
try to do their best to carry out
their part of contract generally
accomplish it much to the satisfaction of both sides. The majority of them are very peaceful and
law-abiding; inded they very often
yield their rights, when they like
grim death should stand up for a
right principle. Whether this be
from cowardice or lack of manliness to light for their right or a
natural characteristic of theirs is
difficult to solve; but this we
know; they sorely lack grit and
concentrating powers and unity,
and its vast meaning is foreign to
them. They quickly take up a
project and without first solving,
it come to a decited conclusion,
which conclusion variably proved
disastrous; they regretting having
ever thought of even such a problem. In our opinion the Jamaican laborer is more honest and
trustworthy a servant than many
of those hailing from the neighbouring islands of Jamaica. Of
course there are exceptions to
every rule, hence we are not speaking as a whole because we hone out fear of contradiction that if 100 Barbadians were to be matched against a like number of Januaicans, the latter will take the cake for hard working and above all for honesty and truthfulness. It is not our wish to be hard on the people of "Little England." but we cannot blind our eyes to their merits and demerits. They too have their good qualities, and when you encounter one with the characteristics that make up amanyou have an ideal being, one on whom you can dependat all harards. But like a Januaica fuit called Jeremiah, when youmest a ards. But like a Jamaica rance...
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lawless "Bimshire" he is to be
avoided and ever kept at bay, so
many are his tricks and wittycisms
and a hinjny even to any are his tricks and wittycisms at he would do injury even to ose of riper years and experien-than hinself. Although today there is a lot

Although today there is a lot to be done on the lines and on the farms of the United Fruit Company and other private farms we find crowds of idle loafers around. from the lowest order, making peaceful citizens uncomfortable, they often put themselves in close proximity with respectable persons with linen on that require much disinfectant to minimise the fumes, and to make matters worse use the most foul language possible. This sort of thing is comouly experienced day after day.

after day.

It was only on Thursday last
we had an experience of this sort
of thing at the landing of the
many tourists that crue off the
Prinz Joachim. A throug of the

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unwashed gathered on the dock and it was with difficulty the ladies and gentlemen had to get through this motly crowd.

We sincerely trust our popular and wise Governor Pardo will advise the chief of police to enrole in the force a few men that understands English so that when these street arabs use foul language they could be carried to the college so that they make amend for their wrongs they so often commit.

### Modern Alchemy

Making Steel is Worth More to the World Than Making Gold

In the days of the mediaeval alchemists it was believed that it was possible by means of some undiscovered laboratory operation to convert the baser metals into gold. With the development of modern chemistry this belief was shown to he baseless, at least in the sense in which the older workers held it.

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At the same time there has been evolved as a result of the work of the more recent chemists and metallurgists a transmutation in the properties of that most widely used material steel which is of far more real value to the world than any formula for making gold could ever be.

The discovery that iron containing a certain proportion of carbon constituted steel transformed society and created modern civilization; without steel we should relapse into barbarism. To-day it is known that in addition to carbon there are other elements the addition of which will impart to steel certain properties increasing immensely its value as a material of construction and of operation.

Among the subtances which were formerly classes as the "rate" elements there are several which were are only because there was not sufficent use for them to provide an incentive to discover natural sources of supply.

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provide an incentive to discover natural sources of supply.

Thus vanadium, known as an element for a hundred years, estimated as having a value many times that of gold and used solely for a few artistic purposes in coloring fabrics, has within a few years risen immensely in importance because of, the knowledge which has been acquired of the which has been acquired of the valuable properties which it im-parts to steel, while at the same time it has fallen in cost to a point about one-half that of silver because the very demand has revealed hitherto unknown de-

revealed literio thanoral reposits.

The influence of vanadium upon steel may well be regarded as a triumph of modern metallurgy, and vanadium steel has become one of the most important of the so-called alloy steels. The older sceels, now known broadly as "carbon" steels in distinction to the various alloy steels, had certain fairly well ascertained properties together with determinate limitations.

They could be made ductile within certain limits of strength or strong within certain approach to brittleness, but when both strength and oughness were descented and oughness were descented as a supposed the besteen her strength and oughness were descented as a supposed the besteen her strength and oughness were descented as a supposed the besteen her strength and oughness were descented as a supposed the besteen her section of the strength and oughness were descented as a supposed the besteen her supposed the section of the supposed the section of the supposed the suppo

manded it was realized that something else in addition to carbon was essential. That something has

was essential. That something has been shown to be vanadium. The influence of the addition of small proportions of vanadium to steel is two-fold; it acts as a scavenger, removing oxides, nitrides, etc., in a form easily carried away to the slag, and it also toughens the steel directly, by its solid solution, under normal conditions, in the carbonless portion, known as ferrite. In addition it forms complex carbides of such a nature as greatly to strengthen the steel statically.

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The result is a product so vatly superior to the ordinary carbon steel as to render it practically a new material of construction, especially for situations in which shocks must be met and resisted. The combination of high strength and great toughness makes it the material above all others for automobile parts as well as for rail-mobile parts as well as for rail-

and great toughness makes it the material above all others for automobile parts as well as for railway axles and engine frames, for springs for the important parts of vessels and for bridges and similar structures.

For the latest types of engineering work, such as flying machines submarines, torpedoes and similar work the possession of a material of high resistance to stresses of all kinds enables some of the most difficult elements of the work to be solved.

While the application of vanadium to steel constitutes at present its most important use, it has also a marked influence upon cast iron and upon copper, and while its use has not yet been developed so far in these directions, there is every reason to believe that these applications will follow. that these applications will follow

## Address to Rev. Smith

The following address was presented to the Rev. R. Waite-Smith on Saturday night at St. Mark's School room, in the presence of a

School room, in the presence of a large audience. Revd Raynes Wiste Smith President "The Limon Friendly & Literaty Association." Revd. & Dear Sir. Permit us as members of the abeve association to avail ourselves experienced such unmistakable proof of your slocarity and straigh forwardness during the short period that you have been among as the summer of the short period that you have been among as the short period that you have been among as the short period that you have been among as the short period that you have been the to trought, fill: us with hearth felt and deep regret in the knowledge that in a few short hours the boundiess deep will roll between us, yet Lit is under these trying circums succe that we are taught to appreciate the sterling qualities wick got to make the man, and leaves the lasting impression that in parting with you we lose a counseline whose place it will be difficult to fill. When we consider the many previous atompts to establish an Association among the young men of this town, at the you undertake, we feel that the present association would in like manner have proved a failure, had it not been for your president and the present association would in like manner have proved a failure, had it not been for your presidence among the your whilingness all times to seem fee your time on our any proving present the proof of these to whom you stand exemplar. Your thoughtful kindness and loving aymathy with us, slike in our pleasures, as our arciving of the Scoil & Morna te intellectually than ourselves, could not fail to wasken a responsive echo of Love and respect in our hearts, and has endeared.

guidance.

For Yourself, beloved Wife and Child, may the future be filled with God's choicests blessings, and we pray when er HE may deem fit to cast your lot yon may gain the same admiration and esteem we have for

In our next issue we hope to give the Revd. gentlemans reply as full account of the function.

## Current News.

Mr. W. H. Sample, the Superintendent of Motive Power of the Northern Railroad will be among the passengts for the United States on monday next. Mr. Sample goes on six weeks leave of absence in consequence of the dangerous illness of his brother whose condition is of such a serious nature that fears are entertained as to his recovery. The gentleman in question is said to have extensive business interest in the States which renders his brother's presence necessary. It is universally admitted that during Mr. Sample's stay in Costa Ricca the casualities were at a minimum, and the company's rolling stock over which he had control brought to a high state of perfection, while his proverbial courtesy to all with whom he came in con-

tact made hin very popular, not only with the general public but all the employees of the company.

Heavy rains still continue to fall in Limon, and we learn also on the lines. Trade and business are pretty dull at present in consequence. One store keeper was heard to exclaim. 'I am tired sitting, it would be better even to show up goods without selling.'

Owing to the severe slides at Lomas the passenger train continues to stop at Siquirres. We understand that gangs of men are working hard to clear the rails. It is expected that transfer will commence about sunday or monday and that ir is not possible for the train to go through before Tuesday.

A Jamaican bad a narrow esca-pe of losing his life. The man attempted to jump on one of the coaches when the passenger train was leawing the station; he mis-sed his ham and stumbled, luc-kily for him Mr. Hepburn who was near by sprang to his rescue and averted the disaster.

The coffe trade is now brisk but for the mishap on the lines through the severe weather none of these grains can be shipped to Limon This necessitates the laying up of coffee vessels for a couple day more.

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