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Cotton growing in German E. Africa

1914

1 May

Sends German official publication
ref.

previous Paper.

No. 498

For Read.

This should also go to the Niger & W.A. Departments as to the Cameroons & Togo sections. I have not looked at those parts as translation from the German is for me a painful operation.

I have not found much in the G.G.A. section which is in booklet & new. Generally, the coast regions are unascertainable but in the interior - particularly the Ruwenzori district on L. Victoria - great progress has been made. On the other hand the Bukoba district is unascertainable.

Egyptian upland varieties are more successful than Egyptian (see 40998/10). I find nothing as to length of staple among upland varieties. Water cultivation is increasing rapidly for the

subsequent Paper.

Distribution of seed nearly equal below
 1911-12 & 1912-14. There is a guaranteed
 minimum price of [equivalent to 36 3/5 c
 per lb] for ^{upland} unspun cotton delivered at
 Deepwater Railway station, or like port or the
 cost may be, however which is little more
 than half that was suggested in Agenda
 for cotton delivered at Genoa. This arrangement
 has not been paid, & the tendency of
 competition has been to force the price
 up to (occasionally) something like 2 1/2 d
 a pound in the Reef's district. This is
 apparently also for unspun cotton, but I
 do not know whether there is any
 difference between "unclothed" Bowers &
 "Robbison" wolle.

Say 16c.
 I don't think
 that the
 competition
 goes beyond

High prices are deprecated, apparently, not
 so much because they lead the action to
 extend their cotton area as because, having
 money, to wait cultivate.

Total production:-

1912	about 10,000	English bales	value
1913	less than 14,000		6d. a lb

~~in the conference to mechanical philosophy~~
~~at the top of p 22 but I am not sure of~~
~~the same~~

In the concluding remarks, a comparison
 is drawn with Agenda, both as regards
 the letter. This is attributed to the Agenda
 Railway facilities. The ^{total} amount of

April 6th

G. E. A. an unsuitable for cotton

Very

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The reference to water blights at top of p. 33 does not amount to much - mistakes were made at first through choosing unsuitable places - the subject being unsuitable for cotton: now they pay more attention to this, & also to such points as, time for sowing & (?) fertilization of the plants.

I have not touched the matter dealing with the Experimental Station

12th Oct 1914

Dr. Strickley

H. J. R.

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Very interesting & exhaustive notes.

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Volume enclosed returned in Leipzig
(Der Baumwollbau in den deutschen
Anbaugebieten seine Entwicklung seit dem
Jahre 1910 - Jah. 1914
Veröffentlichungen des Reichs-Kolonialrats N° 6)

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any further communication
on this subject, please quote

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Under-Secretary of State,
Foreign Office,
London.

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The Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs presents
his compliments to the Under-Secretary of State for the
Colonies, and, by direction of the Secretary
of State, transmits herewith copy of the under-mentioned
paper.

Foreign Office,

May 1, 1914.

Reference to previous correspondence:

Letter ^{to} from Foreign Office:

November 27 last.

Description of Inclosure.

Name and Date.	Subject.
German official publication	Cotton growing in German Colonies since 1910

(Similar letter sent to Board of Trade)
& our Agent at Cairo