

# The Germans as a People Are Greatly Overrated

**They are Neither Inventive, Resourceful or Original and Have Accomplished Little for the Benefit of Mankind--Writer in Louisville Courier Journal Gives Some Striking Facts--The "Made in Germany" Fake Exposed.**

(From the Louisville Courier-Journal)

During the last few months I have heard the Germans arraigned as blatant, boorish, barbaric; yet in nearly every case the speakers suffixed to their invectives such expressions as "But when it comes to brains you will have to hand it to them; they have made science."

Why hand it to them? What epoch making invention or discovery is of German origin--except a stamp on which is inscribed "Made in Germany"? Their scientists have kicked up a fair amount of spray as they gambolled in their pool; but the world has yet to hear a mighty Teutonic splash. Time and again French, English, American, Spanish and Italian inventors and discoverers have sent tidal waves around the globe. Let us now be specific.

The steam engine has been called the greatest of all inventions. It broke the shackles from slaves; it mingled the marts of the world; it made neighbors of the antipodes. Newcomen, a native of Devonshire, obtained the patent for the first partially successful steam engine; Watt, a Scotchman, perfected it; Cuyner, Murdoch and Trevithick brought forward the locomotive, not on German soil; Stephenson, an Englishman, was the first to apply the locomotive steam engine to railways for passenger

traffic; France, England and America applied it to navigation. When all had been completed Germany pulled the whistle cord, shouted "Hoch der Kaiser!" and tagged it "Made in Germany."

The telegraph, which brings us the daily history of the world, was invented by an American, Professor Morse, who also suggested the Atlantic cable, which was subsequently laid by that American merchant-scientist Cyrus Field, assisted in "mooring the New World alongside the Old" by Lord Kelvin, the prince of physicists, a British subject. Graham Bell, the chief inventor of the telephone, was born in Scotland and grew to fame in America. A young Italian, Marconi, gave wireless telegraphy to the world. The house of Hohenzollern has made great use of these inventions in telling Great Britain, America and Italy in arrogant verbiage what the waterland has done for the benighted peoples of the earth.

Cyrus McCormick, a native of West Virginia, produced the reaping machine which harvests the food of the world; Meikle, of England, brought forth the threshing machine thus was famine banished. Ely Whitney, of Massachusetts parentage, invented the cotton gin; Hargrave, an Englishman, made the spinning jenny; Arkwright, also English, supplied the deficiency with his famous spinning frame; The Englishman Kay introduced the fly shuttle in weaving; Brunel, who devised the knitting machine and Cartwright, inventor of the power loom, were British subjects. Thus was the world clothed.

Although Germany is militaristic and worships at the shrine of Mars, what votive offering has she made to the god of war? It was not she who contributed gunpowder, smokeless powder, percussion cap, nitroglycerine, gun cotton, dynamite, torpedo, shrapnel, automatic cannon, magazine rifle, breech loading gun, gatling gun, revolver, Maxim silencer, hammerless gun, gunboat, ironclad batteries or ship armor plate, revolving turret, submarine or airplane.

Since Germany borrowed her military appliances from other nations we are not surprised that she obtained her devices of prosperity from the same source. She did not produce the first aniline dye, vulcanized rubber, liquid gases, gas engine, water gas, thermometer, barometer, pianoforte, barbed wire, cut nails, plate glass, cir-

cular saw, cable car, electric car, sleeping car, airbrake, bicycle, automobile, pneumatic tire sewing machine, cash register, steel writing pen, et cetera ad infinitum.

The greatest thing that Germany has done is to advertise herself falsely as the light of the world. No son of hers invented the electric light, the gas light, the acetylene light, the kerosene light, the searchlight, the flashlight, the safety lamp, the candle dip or the friction match. America, France, England and other "untutored" nations performed these tasks. The sun, moon and stars are the only lights left for Germany's contention and, according to the Mosaic account, the Lord and not the Kaiser made and placed them in the firmament.

Daguerre, a Frenchman, presented us with photography. Our own Edison brought forth the motion picture to delight and instruct the eye and the phonograph to please the ear. The Germans enjoy our reels and records, and lifting high their steins, drink a prolonged toast to the achievements of the waterland, "Deutschland uber Alles."

Galileo, who first saw the heavens with a telescope was an Italian. The men who first saw the earth and its teeming life with a microscope were not of German origin. Yet many telescopes and microscopes in our colleges, being marked "Made in Germany," have led students to believe that these wonderful instruments were devised by German brain. The Germans are mechanics, not inventors.

By use of the compound microscope Pasteur, the French biologist, as early as 1857 demonstrated a connection between microscopic organisms and disease. This was nine years before Dr. Kock, the German bacteriologist, had graduated. In this connection the important antiseptic surgery of Dr. Lister of England should be recorded. Edward Jenner, the discoverer of vaccination, and Harvey, the discoverer of the circulation of the blood, were Englishmen. An American taught the world the use of anaesthetics. Our dentists excel all others. They are employed by many crowned heads--even the Kaiser has his.

The Teutons have not shown the engineering skill of the French, who cut the Suez Canal, or of the Americans, who joined the Atlantic and the Pacific at Panama. The decimal or metric system by which the Germans make their measurements is a gift from France. The method by which they make their steel is that of Sir Henry Bessemer, of England. Many of the fruits and vegetables of which they eat an enormous quantity were brought forth by our own peerless Burbank. No wonder that the Germans can "goose step" so high, for what else have they practiced?

Lavoisier, father of modern chemistry, was French; Linnaeus, founder of botany, was of Swedish origin. To Hutton, of England, we are indebted for geology; to Maury, of Virginia for

the physiography of the sea; to Descartes, of French parentage, for analytical geometry; to Comte, of France, for sociology; to Germany, for sauerkraut and pretzels. Germany has not world's achievement. How she struts in her foreign plumage. She is neither inventive, resourceful nor original.

She has made no important geographical discoveries. Her neighbors have made many. What role did she play in discovering various portions of the New World? Did she establish any colonies? I thank God she did not. Her sons did not compose the crew of Magellan's fleet, the first to circumnavigate the globe. A German did not discover the north pole, nor lead the way toward the south pole. It is high time to cease talking of Germany's achievements unless one wishes to indulge in satire.

History and study will reveal that the world's greatest scientist, teacher, inventor, discoverer, statesman, general, philosopher, preacher, painter, poet, architect, novelist, or singer was not "made in Germany."

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## Slants of Humor

### EVANESCENT

Oh, the bloom on the peach is quite easy to reach,  
And is easy enough to destroy.  
And the glint of the dew you can never renew;  
It is the evanescent, my boy.  
Therefore here is a theme in the general scheme,  
One that might do for rhymsters to choose,  
For there's nothing will pass half so quickly, alas,  
As the bloom on a pair of white shoes.

### ATCHISON GLOBE SIGHTS

Talk to the average man long enough and he will tell you of the time the doctors gave him up.  
Mrs. Jude Johnson couldn't keep from reading this joke to her husband last night: "Kipling said a woman is a rag, a bone and a hank of hair," said a man to his wife. "And I say a man is a jag, a drone and a tank of air."  
Men who are known as loafers are often heard complaining they need a long rest.  
Pity the man whose wife feels she is responsible for any success he may have attained.  
A leader is often one who figures which way the people are going and gets in ahead of them.

### INFLUENCING A JURY

"This lawyer is a wizard," said a Philadelphia judge. "In one of his first cases he had to cross examine a medical expert, as famous a physician as the country boasted. Of course, Beck wanted to belittle the big man as much as possible. He began his cross examination like this.  
"Doctor," he said, 'you tended Russell Sage, I believe?'  
"Yes, sir, I was called in consultation during Mr. Sage's last illness."  
"Where is Russell Sage now?"  
"He is dead."  
"Did you tend Grover Cleveland, doctor?"  
"Yes."  
"Where is Cleveland now?"  
"Dead."  
"The doctor had spoken sharply, and the courtroom tittered, but Mr. Beck calmly and quietly went on:  
"And old Commodore Vanderbilt--I believe you were summoned in his case?"  
"Yes."  
"Where is the poor old commodore today?"  
"Dead!" the doctor hissed.  
"Did you, doctor, also attend George M. Pullman, Marshall Field, the elder Sothorn, Philip D. Armour, Richard Mansfield and Mark Twain?"  
"I did."  
"And they are all--"  
"Dead."  
"The lawyer nodded to the jury, shrugged his shoulders, smiled and sat down. The medical expert's testimony somehow didn't seem so wonderful after that."

### A WELCOME SONGSTER.

Talk about yoh robin bird,  
Carolyn' so light!  
I wants to tell you what I heard  
A-warblin' t'oo de night  
"Six weeks till frost!"  
We's almost lost  
Dem days of summer heat!  
Old Katydid,  
Though you stays hid,  
Yoh song is mighty sweet.  
You haven't any feathers fine;  
Yoh tune it ain' so grand.  
But what you's singin' down de line  
Is music t'oo de land  
"Six weeks till frost!"  
We looks acrost  
De days we's goin' through  
Of scorchin' dust,  
An' puts our trust,  
Old Katydid, in you.

## BIG MONEY IN SHEEP RAISING

The Livestock Division of the Department of Agriculture is prepared to assist any farmer in the province to secure first class grade ewe lambs, pure bred rams or pure bred ewes. We want to do so and have the stock available. Why not swing in line with the other farmers and grow more sheep? Just stop and consider what you are going to do with the surplus hay crop you will have to carry over this winter. There has been a big hay crop and prices will range low. Why not winter 15 or 20 grade ewes and a pure bred ram, rather than a mow of hay? The sheep will prove the more profitable.

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## WHEN ELIHU WAS AN IRISHMAN

### Accent Celt.

The Woman Who Saw came up out of the subway at Wall street to find her way blocked by the crowds of people who lined the edges of the sidewalks. Evidently a parade was on its way uptown from the Battery. The Woman Who Saw, not wanting to miss anything, joined the crowd at the curb, but not before she had asked a towering and brawny Irish policeman what all this fuss might be about.

"What's the parade for?" she asked inelegantly.

"Er Ellio O'Rourke?" said the defender of the law.

"For whom?" she inquired again.

"For Ellie O'Rourke--where was you educated?" retorted the policeman, astonished as her ignorance.

"Ellie O'Rourke means nothing to me," she fired back.

The policeman gave her a withering look, and shook his head. She was too much for him. Even the bystanders felt a little sorry for her ignorance.

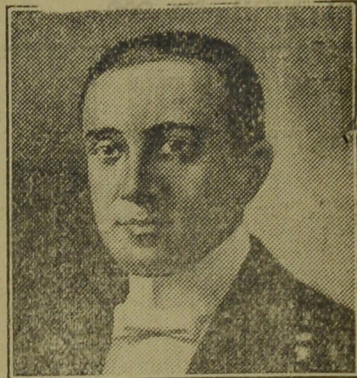
That night the Woman Who Saw read in her evening paper the news account of the arrival of Elihu Root and the commission to Russia. It's all in the twist of the tongue.

### LESSON IN POLITENESS.

"Now, Willie supposing you accidentally stepped on a gentleman's foot; what would you say?"  
"I would say, 'Beg pardon, sir.'"  
"And if the gentleman gave you a dime for being polite, what would you do?"  
"I would step on the other and say 'Beg pardon' agin."

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## VIOLATED THE FISHERY LAW

(Associated Press Direct Wire.)

Gloucester, Mass., Sept. 6.--Word was received today that the Gloucester schooner John Farrelon, recently seized at Sydney, N. S., for violation of the Canadian fishery laws, had been released after payment by her owners of \$500.

A fine of \$3,000 was imposed by the Admiralty Court, but later was declared excessive.

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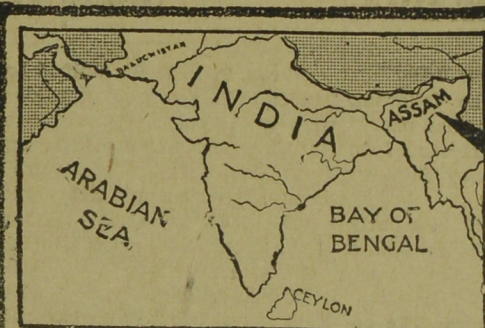
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