

MILLIONAIRE WOULD DRAW THE COLOR LINE AROUND ABYSSINIA

William Henry Ellis, the broker, sometimes called the Moor of Wall street, who has just sailed for Abyssinia to look for place to colonize American negroes, was once in Monterey, and is the man who attempted to plant the colony in Tamaulipas several years ago. He received a concession

from the Governor of Tamaulipas, but his scheme to locate a colony failed. He intended bringing hundreds of African ebony people to Mexico. Now he intends to take them to King Menelik's country. The project is attracting much attention. Acquaintances of the Cuban, who is part negro himself, are many in Mexico, where he visited and remained during the plans for the Tamaulipas colony.

It is the purpose of Mr. Ellis, who is a millionaire several times over, to commercialize Abyssinia, and to make it the great country of the Ethiopians prophesied in the Bible.

Mr. Ellis was accompanied by his bride, formerly Miss Maude Sheymond, whom he married secretly a few days ago, and an emissary of King Menelik II., who came to New York recently to consult with the broker toward the fulfillment of his remarkable plans.

In the past few weeks Mr. Ellis has purchased some wonderful presents which he will lay at the feet of the Abyssinian monarch and his queen.

They consist mostly of jewels of rare workmanship and great value among them a gold-mounted revolver set with diamonds and engraved with King Menelik's name and formidable title.

Mr. Ellis will move on the Abyssinian capital with impressive pomp. He will engage a great caravan and a force of several hundred servants.

The equipment of this caravan will cost about \$20,000. It will move slowly through the country, in order that

the tribesmen of King Menelik may get an idea of the wonderful importance of the stranger who goes among them to raise their country to the

Among other things Mr. Ellis intends to establish an Abyssinian bank, bring about friendly commercial relations with all the countries of the world, train the army to the highest standard of modern warfare and systematize the laws and form of government. In this he expects to have the full co-operation of King Menelik.

This will be a first step in the direction of the end to which he aims. With these preliminaries completed, Mr. Ellis will proclaim Abyssinia the modern Ethiopia, where all negroes of the world may find refuge among their own. In fact, Mr. Ellis believes that he can solve the great race problem once and for all, by drawing the world's color line about the boundaries of Abyssinia.