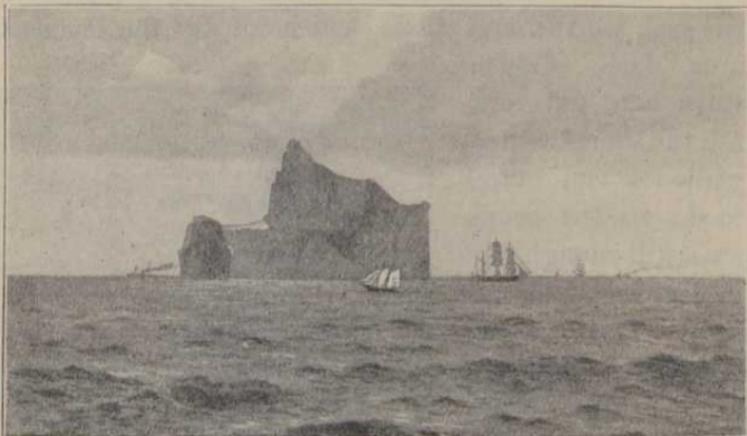


14. The Arctic Ocean is full of ice in summer as well as in winter. The wind drives it from one place to another, and sometimes great masses, called *icebergs*, strike against ships and dash them to pieces.



An Iceberg.

XXI.—IN THE WARM COUNTRIES OF THE SOUTH.

West In'-dies. | Mon-te-zu'-ma [-zoo'-]. | dah'-lia [dah'-lya].

1. SOUTH of the United States are the warm countries of *Mexico* and *Central America*, and some great islands, called the *West Indies*, which lie in the adjacent ocean. There the whole year is one constant summer.

2. In crossing Mexico from east to west, there is first a broad plain by the seaside, covered with immense forests. Here grows the tall, beautiful *cocoa palm*, straight as an arrow, and covered with a crown of long