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Dr. Oerum, of the Jensen Institute, at Copenhagen, Denmark, has carried out a number of experiments on the effect of light on the blood. He has found that darkness reduces the total amount of blood by 3 to 3.3 per cent, while decreasing at the same time the amount of blood contained in the heart.

A will dated 1745 and deposited in the bank of England, has just been discovered in the establishment. The testator left his property—worth \$25,000—to a family named Windel, living in Fuensternburg, a village near Eisen.

As a matter of fact the great weakness of Tommy Atkins, is not for the man music hall song, but for sentimental ditties bordering on the maudlin. Anyone who has attended a soldier's "sing song," will know what we mean, and we know it on the authority of a war correspondent who went through the Natal campaign that the most popular of all the camp songs was a dolorous song called "Mother."

Germany has appropriated 50,000 marks, or about \$12,000 to encourage cotton raising in her colonies, on the condition that her manufacturers shall produce a larger crop of 50,000 pounds which Germany is experimenting with cotton in South Africa and East Africa.

Wimborne (England) guardians recently declined an application by the medical officer of the workhouse for an increase of his salary of \$150 yearly, inclusive, so he resigned. It was decided to advertise the appointment at a salary of \$125, the guardians to provide a larger number of attendants, but the board has received no applications, the medical men of the town having agreed not to apply.

A cat, which has adopted the plant of the Sandusky Foundry and Machine Company as her home, undertook to jump through the flywheel on the engine. The cat got caught in the spokes, was whirled around 400 or 500 times and then, through a window, eight lives still to her credit, she hoisted her tail and started on a swift run to find another home.

Newcastle, N. S. W., is now a very important port, with its 80,000 people, and situated 102 miles by rail or sixty miles by sea from Sydney. The principal shipments are coal. Last year 1,778 vessels entered and cleared, having a combined tonnage of 2,763,401. Labor troubles are its chief drawback.

Large tracts of Persia are uninhabited. The total population is about 9,000,000, which is only fourteen to the square mile. The colonies of Kurds, Leks, Turks, Lurs, Baluchis and Gypsies) move from place to place, according as their animals need pasture or as their other interests demand.

An English physician, James Cantile, speaks in strong terms of condemnation of the growing custom of using curants in bread and cake. The baking, he says, makes them wholly impervious to any digestive fluid, wherefore they result in serious intestinal disturbances, especially in children.

Traders now pass freely between Calcutta and Thibet. The masses of Thibet are eager to trade with "the white people," says Consul-General Michael, of Calcutta. The important products of Thibet are borax, niter, rock salt, iron, silver, copper, gold, turquoise, lapis-lazuli, musk, etc.

James J. H. Gregory, of Marblehead, Mass., is a rival of Andrew Carnegie in the giving away of libraries. He has been doing this for years. His libraries are smaller than Carnegie's gifts and are given to small communities, ministers and educators who can not afford to purchase them.

John F. Fitzgerald, mayor of Boston, is editor of the Republic, weekly religious newspaper. He is a Harvard graduate, popular alike with workmen and business men, as his successive terms in the Massachusetts senate and in congress have given evidence.

An hour's automobile ride through the streets of any city will convince the most skeptical that the fault for accidents does not always rest on the automobile driver, and that the little short of marvelous that more careless pedestrians are not run down every day.

King Edward has sent \$15 to a Devizes artist named Wiltshire, who painted a picture of his majesty wearing his coronation robes and forwarded it to Buckingham palace. Wiltshire is a cripple and works holding the pencil or brush between his toes.

The Bank of England is not in danger of a drought. An artesian-bored tube well, reaching to depth of 400 feet, has just been completed there, springing has been yielding a minimum supply of 100,000 gallons a day.

At the Norwich (England) rural council chamber Wiltshire reported a case of a boatman who killed and ate his own son, Fred, to another boatman, who paid a half-crown to make the transaction, as he imagined, legal.

Of the tuberculosis patients treated in Pennsylvania's "Camp Sanatorium," which was established with the state, 75 per cent. have either recovered or been greatly improved.

It is announced that a Scotch company is about to manufacture by a new process seamless iron and steel tubes for boilers, which it is said will not corrode.

Shipload after shipload of railway sleepers and coal storage products is arriving at Manila and other Philippine ports from various Australian ports.

NEBRASKA BANKS

MAKE BEST RECORD

Secretary Royce Issues Abstract, Which Shows Their Excellent Condition.

Lincoln, Neb., March 27.—Secretary Royce of the state banking board has just finished his abstract of the condition of the banks at the close of business February 23 and the report shows the best condition yet indicated by a banking board report. The number of banks is larger, the deposits are greater, and the reserve is away above the required mark and the general condition is good. Following is the report:

Table with 2 columns: Category and Amount. Includes Assets, Liabilities, Capital stock, Surplus fund, etc.

This report presents a very healthy condition of the banks under state supervision. The deposits amount to \$52,602,278.47, the high water mark in the history of the state, an increase of \$1,700,047.75 since the report of a year ago, and an increase of \$6,027,893.43 since the report of November last.

WORK WITHOUT PAY TO REDEEM PLEDGES

Lincoln, Neb., March 27.—The Nebraska legislature will probably last for ten days more. The house this morning authorized the appointment of a committee to confer with a like committee from the senate to fix a time to adjourn.

WHOLE CITY STIRRED UP OVER PROPOSED MARRIAGE COERCION

Fort Dodge, Ia., March 27.—Dissension rife in Fort Dodge today over the proposed ordinance which comes up for final vote at the regular session of the city council tonight.

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Cincinnati, O., March 27.—Professor John U. Lloyd, the author, says suggestion plays an important part in swelling the list of suicides, murders and other violent crimes.

AGED 17, WEIGHT, 640 DERRICK AT FUNERAL

Appleton, Wis., March 27.—Elmer Sheppard, a negro, said to be the heaviest person in the United States, only 17 years of age, died today of fatty degeneration of the heart.

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TERMINAL TAXATION BILL PASSES HOUSE

Lincoln, Neb., March 25.—Under whip and spur of the previous question, made necessary by the delaying tactics of the railroad crowd, the republicans redeemed another platform pledge this morning when they passed in the house by a vote of 56 to 40, the senate bill to compel the railroads to pay their full share of municipal taxes in the state known as terminal taxation.

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New York, March 25.—A rumor that a coterie of members of the "400" had lost \$20,000,000 in Wall street trying to hold Union Pacific until it should rise to 200 is denied by Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish. She is about the only person indicated as a member of the pool who is not in Europe.

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