

As the World Revolves

The Oldest Graduate. Rev. Joseph Warren, the earliest living graduate of Harvard college, has just celebrated his ninety-third anniversary of his birth in his comfortable home in Worcester, Mass. Mr. Cross was graduated from Harvard with the class of 1828.



REV. J. W. CROSS.

affairs of the world at large and of the old university of which he is a graduate.

Problem in Education.

The effect of the parochial school upon the public school system is a theme that invites the earnest attention of all thoughtful educators.

With these facts—if they are facts—as a basis to work upon it would seem that the National Educational Association should be able to conduct an inquiry that would disclose some of the reasons why the parochial schools are drawing pupils from the public schools.

A Naiad Queen.

Eight young beauties, all society leaders, attired in serge combinations, but minus shoes and hosiery, contested



CONSTANCE MACKENZIE.

for the swimming championship, says a London cablegram. Lady Constance Mackenzie, niece of the Duke of Sutherland and heiress to the Cromarty estates, won the challenge shield gold medal for the third time in succession.

The Polar Expeditions.

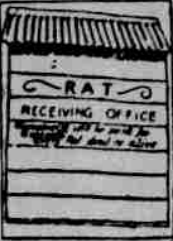
The Peary relief expedition, under the command of N. L. Bridgeman of New York, has at last sailed. Mr. Bridgeman expects to find that Peary has discovered the pole, and falling that, has made some important explorations.

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Current Topics

War on Rats.

The war of extermination on rats, which was recently proposed in the United States, is being carried on with relentless energy in Cape Town, South Africa. The rats are charged with responsibility for the introduction of the bubonic plague into South Africa.



Too Many Colonial Dames Societies.

There are now three Societies of Colonial Dames, each one of which claims the sole right to use that title. The claim has caused so much friction among the dames, and at times had so seriously threatened to arouse the old revolutionary spirit, that one of the organizations went into court and demanded that it should decide which one of the three was the one and only original Colonial Dames of America.

A recent writer proved that nearly all the members of one society of Colonial Dames who could trace ancestry back to the "colonial times" were descended from "staunch old Tories" who never became reconciled to the severance from slavish bondage to Britain.

Mayor in a Shirt Waist.

Mayor Harrison of Chicago is a shirt waist man. He joined the cohorts of the coatless last week and sent a thrill of wonder through the series



MAYOR HARRISON'S SHIRTWAIST. ranks of officialdom when he appeared at his office in the morning with a plaited and beruffled garment that showed the manly outlines of his figure.

Control of Balloons.

A cable dispatch from Paris described how Santos Dumont, the Brazilian aeronaut, steered a cigar-shaped balloon around the Longchamps race course several times, and, after circling around the Eiffel tower, went back to his starting point.

Long voyages in balloons were made forty or fifty years ago. Professor Wise and three others started in a balloon from St. Louis in 1859 and traveled nearly 1,200 miles, landing in New York.

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People and Events

Christian Endeavor Grows.

In the ten years from 1890 to 1900 the population of the United States increased from 62,622,250 to 75,204,799—a gain of not quite 21 per cent.

Has 128 Descendants.

The Dowager of Abercorn who celebrated her ninetieth birthday quite



Dowager Duchess of Abercorn

recently, has more living descendants than even Queen Victoria had. Her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren number 128, among them being four dukes and heirs to dukedoms.

A Plucky Woman.

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Miss Adele Grant of New York before her marriage to the head of the ancient English family, is giving London an exhibition of American pluck. When it became known that she and her husband both had exhausted their fortunes, much sympathy was extended, but instead of throwing up her hands the countess devised a way of earning both hers and her husband's living.

After a 2,000-mile bicycle trip through Southern Europe, John W. Bookwalter, the eminent American economist and author, is convinced that there is trouble for the world in the higher prices for grain.

CORN BELT IS SOAKED

Generous Rains Fall Over Major Portion of the Southwest.

LATE CROPS AND PASTURES REVIVE

Good Cannot Be Estimated, but Will Prove Immense—Insures at Least Half a Harvest—Poor Begins in Western Kansas and Sweeps to Missouri.

KANSAS CITY, July 18.—Generous rains fell this afternoon over the bigger part of the corn belt of the southwest. They came just in the nick of time. The good that will result to late corn and to pastures cannot be estimated, but it will undoubtedly prove immense.

TOPEKA, Kan., July 18.—The rains that have fallen in Kansas last night and today have practically assured a corn yield of at least 50,000,000 bushels, and the yield may be even better.

Good rains are reported tonight over portions of eastern and central Kansas, and in each case is mentioned the fact that the rain is not through.

Secretary Coblurn of the Kansas Board of Agriculture is enthusiastic over the result of the rain. He is sure that the corn yield will reach at least half a crop if the present very favorable weather conditions continue.

The manner in which corn has held its own during the drought was something remarkable and is a source of wonder to the farmers. In some places it has had no moisture for over two months.

TRIUMPH OF SOCIALISM.

That is What John Burns Expects in America.

NEW YORK, July 18.—The steel strike in America is attracting much attention in England generally, and while long articles are being printed in the newspapers on the subject, no comment is made in the editorial columns, according to the London correspondent of the Tribune.

Last Furnace Closed.

PITTSBURG, July 18.—The last furnace in Linsay & McCutcheon's mill was closed down at noon. As soon as all the men had left the mill, seven deputy sheriffs were stationed about the plant.

Secretary Cridler Recovering.

WASHINGTON, July 18.—Third Assistant Secretary of State Cridler, who has been ill or several weeks, was sufficiently recovered today to be removed to Seabright, N. J. He was accompanied by Mrs. Cridler.

Thresher Injury is Fatal.

WEEPING WATER, Neb., July 18.—Daniel Drum, who was injured by a threshing machine yesterday, died just before the doctors arrived to amputate the limb.

THE LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Latest Quotations From South Omaha and Kansas City.

Table with columns for commodity names (Cattle, Hogs, Sheep, etc.) and their corresponding market prices in South Omaha and Kansas City.

REPLIES TO HIS CRITICS.

Declares He Has No Animus Against the Admiral.

NEW YORK, July 20.—Edgar S. Maclay replied to the criticism which has been made on his historical works dealing with Admiral Schley and the navy during the Spanish war. He said in part: "I did not appreciate at the time I wrote the book that the terms were immoderate and intemperate. It is only recently that it has met with adverse criticism. It is now my intention to revise that portion of the work that deals with the battle of Santiago. But I shall not alter the facts, for they are correct, and I must first be assured that they are in error. The proofs were submitted to the officers who took part in the battle of Santiago, as well as to Secretary Long, and received their approval. I should explain that only those portions of the book were submitted to each officer that related to his personal or to the part he took in the battle."

TO RESTORE EMPIRE.

Plot is Said to Be Ripening to Overthrow the French Republic.

LONDON, July 20.—The Pall Mall Gazette publishes a communication from its Paris correspondent giving circumstantial details of an alleged conspiracy to overthrow the French republic and install Prince Louis Napoleon as emperor. The correspondent is insured that September 14, upon which date the czar intends to promote Prince Louis to a full generalship in the Russian army, has been selected as the occasion for a demonstration to support the claims of this prince, who is such a close friend of their Russian ally, by all the elements opposed to the present regime.

Great Bank's Capital.

NEW YORK, July 20.—At a meeting of the stockholders of the First National bank it was voted to increase the capital of the bank to \$10,000,000.

Selecting Swedish Cabinet.

COPENHAGEN, July 20.—King Christian has entrusted Dr. Deuntser with the task of organizing a liberal ministry to succeed the De Schested cabinet, which resigned Wednesday. The following selections have already been made: President of the council, Dr. Deuntser; minister of justice, Alberti; minister of interior, Count Holstein; minister of foreign affairs, Alfred Hage; minister of finance, Christensen; of agriculture, Hansen.

THE NEBRASKA TAXES

Total Valuation for Assessment is Nearly Three Million More.

FIGURES FOR 1900 AND 1901

Starting a New Industry in Holt County—Platte County a Pioneer in Road Sprinkling—Other Nebraska Matters Here and There.

LINCOLN, Neb., July 17.—The total valuation upon which state taxes will be assessed this year against taxable property in Nebraska will be approximately \$174,432,000, or \$2,685,000 greater than the assessed valuation last year.

Following is a comparison of the assessed valuation of property for the two years:

Table comparing assessed valuation of property for 1900 and 1901 across various Nebraska counties, showing a total increase of \$2,685,000.

Top of the Omaha Market.

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., July 17.—The topping of the Omaha market by Paul Frauen, a local stock breeder, feeder and shipper, recalls that the Chicago market for the year has been topped twice in the past twenty-five years by Nebraska, a Tekamah man receiving the honor accompanied by the cash once, and Mr. Frauen receiving it in 1892. Mr. Frauen has just put in the nucleus for a herd of thoroughbred Shorthorns and Herefords.

Porter's Case Submitted.

LINCOLN, Neb., July 17.—The suit of the state against William Porter, ex-secretary of state, and his bondsmen, was argued before District Judge Frost and submitted. The state asks for \$1,500, claimed to be due as a result of funds collected and retained by Porter without constitutional authority. It is alleged. C. J. Smyth of Omaha appeared for the defendants and Deputy Attorney General Norris Brown and his assistant, W. B. Rose, for the state.

Fatal Sin Stroke.

SCRIBNER, Neb., July 17.—August Steuhner, a young German employed on the farm of John Haum, south of Scribner, was overcome by heat and died from the effects thereof.

Two Nebraskans Released.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., July 17.—Two prisoners have just been released from the Sioux Falls penitentiary, their terms of imprisonment having expired. They are Frank Kelley and Fred K. Moore, each of whom served three years, less good time, for robbing a postoffice in Nebraska. Upon being released they departed for Oregon, where they have relatives living and where they claim they have positions awaiting them.