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827,420	2427,310
9 20,505	2525,940
10 27,310	2627,550
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Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 31st day of December, A. D. 1900.

(Seal.)

M. B. HUNGATE.
Notary Public. When the legislature spots a hold-up bill it should kill it on the spot.

Net total sales ...

All the players in that senatorial game seem suspicious that the other fellow is working a holdout device.

It is well to remember that Omaha's proposed auditorium will not build itself just because the site has been acquired.

Omaha did not get the stockmen's convention, but it will continue to get its share of the live stock from the erly take in regard to the Cuban con- ble time, to acquire the ownership of the limits, the additional troops "to be en- versary of the induction of John Marwestern ranges.

lator in the bunch.

valuation placed upon him. Pat does of Cuba? not appear to be in any hurry, however, to realize on himself.

of the North Atlantic squadron will conquered territory, but "as between the the country. not be needed in Venezuela, but it is United States and Cuba, that island is gratifying to know that if needed the territory held in trust for the inhabit- municipal ownership without definite bate on the bill, the president must use effort to recover their lost ground, not 665 was chiefly due to the high prices rather navy is ready to answer the call.

evidently knows a good thing when it ought to be a precious document.

club has good ideas of the work for of the constitutional convention could much better position to enforce regulathat body to perform. Let the club be set aside and another convention orsupport a vigorous policy of progress dered, and thus Cuban independence be tions and exact compliance with reason- utes hitherto, but never before, so far tically all the traffic they could handle and it will add several more credit marks to its record during the coming year.

Senator Cullom of Illinois, just re-States senate, has been a prominent agure in politics for nearly half a century. No inexperienced unknowns are experimented with by Illinois republicans.

It is remarkable that the railroad managers have made so little noise this this appears to be an entirely sound patrons must be determined in each provided for by this bill is not needed, time about putting an end to the free view. pass list and the half-fare permit. They must have come to the conclusion reached long ago by every one else, that the bluff had lost its power of fooling the public.

The redemption of Nebraska to republicanism last fall earned for this state a place near the head of the line in the inauguration procession to be formed March 4 next. No wonder so many Nebraskans are anxious to accompany Governor Dietrich to Washington for the occasion.

The city of Syracuse, N. Y., will be the beneficiary of another of the fast-increasing number of Carnegie libraries which have been planted in various parts of the country as monuments to the great Scotch ironmaster. Carnegie's system of benevolence is a good one for rich men to imitate.

How fortunate that the West Point hazing investigation has come to the front just in time to take the place of the discussion of the canteen question. The army cannot afford to lose its prestige for supplying the public prints continuously with at least one topic tinged with sensationalism.

Prof. Garner, who was supposed to have died in Africa, is alive and well. language. If he will only hurry up it known languages inadequate to express their feelings over the proposal to reorganize the party.

President McKinley has signed the ratio. Nebraska will have six disgrowth of the different districts will reever extent this is done the currency stroy the range. In proof of this, look experience has brought then two years
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EXIT THE COLORED CONGRESSMAN. fifteenth amendment by reducing the Communications relating to news and editorial matter should be addressed. Omaha Bee, Editorial Department.

De a great mistake to cramp our bustons of the Statement. Edward Rose iness expansion by cramping our circutional Live Stock association. It was but the opposition encountered by the lation. measure from other sources was based on entirely different grounds and withal was unable to force the slightest amend-

ment. State of Nebraska, Douglas County, ss.:

George B. Tzschuck, secretary of The Bee
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says that the actual number of full and
complete copies of The Daily, Morning,
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proceed' in imitation of Mississippi and of such franchises in that city.

The commission, which has been at work for more than a year, has formulated a bill to be presented to the Illinois the range.

Much of vote in those districts where it might subject. numbered and the voice raised in the are worthy of attention.

Net daily average 26,941 GEORGE B. TZSCHUCK.

raised against them in the new southern | sions. state constitutions, the colored congressman may reappear.

### A PREPLEXING QUESTION.

indefinitely deferred.

It is the opinion of the chairman of dation.

FOR A FLEXIBLE CURRENCY. expected from this quarter.

rency notes issued under existing law city and state to another. and not exceeding 10 per cent of its prosecuting his studies of the monkey payment of notes of failed banks. Of the growers and the sheep men took on crecy if a man's mind could be read will be a convenience to the Bryanite provided for would be absolutely under was only narrowly averted. Steps the good old way of talking or writing comptroller of the currency.

under this act the bank note currency association. This portends a split in would be increased to the extent of the National Live Stock association and books which practically licenses prize \$63,000,000, with the amount of bond- a perpetuation of the quarrel between fighting. A bill has been introduced congressional apportionment bill, which secured circulation as it is today. This, the cattle and sheep owners. gives it the force of law and paves the he thinks, would afford a timely relief This quarrel is rooted in the free measure and it is said there is no way for redistricting bills in the various to any strain upon the currency. The range question. To use the words of doubt of its passage by the house and for some time past no mixed body of men the most astounding proportion of all canlegislatures in conformity with the new additional notes would be taken out and John P. Irish, "the gentle shepherd has signature by the governor. Colorado recruited in South Africa—the riffraff of not read. Eighty-three per cent of these kept affoat as long as needed and be re- learned that he can ride the arrogant is not as thickly settled as its people the colonies-could be depended upon to illiterates, or 792,984, are on the island. tricts, as at present, but the unequal tired when not needed, and as to what cowboy," and he is doing it. Sheep de wish it were, but for all that two years' check the flying columns of Botha. Dewet

The enactment of the new congres keep the circulation of the country gon. Idaho. Montana and Wyoming. About the only place which still exsional apportionment bill without any banks within the business radius of the Grass no longer grows where the sheep tends a welcome to this class is Nevada. provision for the enforcement of the banks that issue the guaranteed notes. have browsed and the shepherd has and even the sage brush and jack rab-While it is not probable that any ac- been forced to bring his flocks to this bits are liable to rebel. representation of the southern states in tion will be taken upon this bill by the side of the Rocky mountains. How the ratio of their disfranchisement of present congress, such legislation is they have been welcomed is written in Edward Rosewater, one of the candidates the negro marks the passing of the col | very likely to be enacted by the next | blood on the annals of the territory in | for the United States senatorship from Neored congressman, at least for a long congress, for there is no doubt that some vaded. time to come. The only colored mem- steps toward a more flexible currency | Where the remedy lies is uncertain. ber of the present house, representing a must be taken in the near future. This Those who have given the matter deep Press. North Carolina district, entered vigor- will be imperatively demanded by the study agree that government control of This is an echo of the periodical an-

THE STREET RAILWAY PROBLEM. With the new apportionment safe- pointed by the mayor and council of taken at the Salt Lake convention, but management and policy has always the organization to put him out. Singular guarding them from all possible penalty Chicago to investigate the subject of the feeling was manifest in the tem- been under his direction. Instead of attitude for a social and religious reformer. for their acts, the southern states in street railway franchises and compensa- porary formation of a cattle growers' accepting unfounded statements of other leech to a church whose creed he publicly which the negro still possesses the fran- tion for street railway privileges, with association. The situation is rapidly papers, the public will do well to look chise in law if not in fact are sure to a view to legislation governing the issue becoming acute and some remedy must for information concerning The Bee to

North Carolina to eliminate the negro | The commission, which has been at friction between cattle owner and sheep patrons into its confidence, vote by constitutional restrictions on work for more than a year, has formu- owner, but to prevent the extinction of whites by the grandfather clause or bodied in a pamphlet of 136 pages, in grounded in herds and flocks and on maximum and minimum tariff bill in novations was characterized as an insult some equally questionable device. With support of the position it has taken on their success in existing side by side dethe legalized suppression of the negro various points comprehended within the pends to a great extent the prosperity of inaugurating a tariff war with the days.

congressman is likely to be without a reached that the street railway business tion. should be recognized as a monopoly It must be conceded that the colored business and treated accordingly. This congressman has been more of a pictur- means that it is better from the standesque figure in the legislative halls at point of the public to have a single majority of twenty, four democrats vot waged. This country is no longer a unfit to live in and shake off the dust and Washington than a vital factor in legis street railway system than to have in ing with the republicans. The measure commercial infant. lation. Yet the mere possibility of dependent and separately owned and provides for a standing army of 54,000. reaching that eminence must have been managed lines. With a single system which may be increased, in the discrea powerful stimulus to the efforts of in- and unified management not only is the tion of the president, to 100,000. The ble view of the Nicaragua canal matter. satisfactory and deceiving. Fifty years ago telligent negroes for the uplifting of service likely to be better, but the de- opposition to the bill was largely di- The editor of that journal is not having when a church member was spoken of it The situation, however, presents a fare concessions can be more directly thority to increase the army in his discondition which must be faced by the enforced. The tendency, generally, is cretion, it being urged that this is an trol it. If English ships have the use would be if every man in them was excolored people. The only apparent way to consolidation, and even where con- abdication of the power of congress and of it on equal terms with all other nafor them to regain the franchise in the solidation has been expressly forbidden without precedent. It was also in tions the Spectator thinks that it is all scribe to the old creed of the fathers, it south is through the avenues of educa- legal maneuvering has been regularly sisted that we do not need a regular that can reasonably be asked and plainly is difficult to say. When a person "joins" tion, industry and thrift. Should they and successfully resorted to for the army of 54,000 men. be able thus to overcome the barriers purpose of evading such charter provi- In regard to the objection that there was to build the canal it would cer-

It appears that the question as to to express the opinion that it would be cretionary authority to increase the what course this government can prop- wise for the city, at the earliest practica- military establishment within prescribed posal to celebrate the centennial annistitution when it shall be presented for trackage and whatever may form a part listed for and during the continuance of shall as chief justice of the United ernment, what authority has the United same plan that has been urged in Omaha 1836 and 1846 there was legislation re- have come after him, is now recognized abroad to the extent of sixty millions. The supreme court of the United or two in the United States. The pros- is precisely in line with former legisla-States has said that Cuba, as between pects are good that as a first step toward tion, which was never held to be an ab-It is certainly to be hoped the services tions, was to be treated as if it were will soon be tried in various parts of There is no abdication on the part of no assurance that they are to be left in years.

ants of Cuba, to whom it rightfully conclusion, no two views are recognized the power given him within the approbelongs and to whose exclusive control with reference to strict public control of priations of money from year to year by chosen at the next election, but when ficur, was exported during December to the The Cuban constitutional convention it will be surrendered when a stable the franchised street railway companies. congress and if he had a purpose to the state officers reach the expiration of amount of \$13,429,906, against \$9,974,791 a government shall have been established To make this control more effective a use it improperly, contrary to law and their terms a year later. The republication of the calendar year 1900 \$2,293,720. During the calendar year 1900 sees it and is therefore in no hurry to by their voluntary action." Does this novel plan is proposed, in addition to the judgment of congress, the very next lican party must build now for the conclude its labors. When the bill of imply authority on the part of the curtailing the duration of the grant, by session of congress would provide a future if it is to hold its own. costs comes in the Cuban constitution United States to determine when stable reserving to the city the right to assume check by limiting the appropriation. government has been established and ownership at any time. The idea is ad- "So there is no abdication of the power | The annual reports of the different it can safely surrender its trust for the vanced that with this reserved right con- of congress here," said Mr. Allison, railroad corporations of the country are The new president of the Commercial inhabitants of Cuba? If so the work firmed by law the city would be in "and there is no limitation upon the showing uniform increases on the profit able demands for the public accommo-

> government. As recognizing the right pensation secured in increased accom- army." of a people we have declared to be free modations and decreased charges upon tures to go is to say that "the whole ditional currency may be suddenly and is no question but that the same prin- pared for exigencies. strongly felt. It may be at the next ciple of compensation could be applied | The army bill now goes to conference harvesting and moving of the crops. with equally satisfactory results to other of the two houses and an early agree-The natural increase of business has fields of monopolistic municipal service, ment on it and its enactment into law absorbed the increase of currency It is certainly a good sign that these is expected. which resulted from the refunding of important questions are made the subgovernment bonds and from the right jects of careful investigation by special

national association of cattlemen similar of mental telepathy. It is the opinion of Mr. Lovering that in nature to the National Wool Growers'

will be rendered more flexible. An at the barren stretches of former fertile where they are perfectly willing to dis be sheer waste of raw material.

ous protest and offered a strong defense rapidly growing business of the count the open range, with an equitable ar nouncement by our local contemporaries of the rights of his people to protection try. Having established our money on rangement for leasing to individuals or of Mr. Rosewater's retirement from The at the ballot box, showing how they the gold standard it would manifestly corporations, would go far toward a Bee. It should be needless to enter preys on the world. were being deprived of constitutional be a great mistake to cramp our bus- solution. This course was endorsed at denial of the statement. Edward Rosetional Live Stock association. It was ble editor of The Bee, which he founded afterward the subject of much debate. nearly thirty years ago and which he the Colorado cattlemen being bitterly has personally guided through its event-An interesting report has been made opposed to any restriction on the range. ful career. He is substantially the by the street railway commission ap- No definite action on the question was owner of the entire property and its whose teaching he repudiates and he dares soon be had to not only obviate the The Bee itself, which always takes its York pastors arose and denounced vaccina-

### ARMY BILL PASSES SENATE.

mands of the public for transfers and rected against giving the president au- any fits over the position of this country

street railways, which, it is admitted, is as 1798. In that year, when there was smoke off its glasses, still an open question, but goes so far as no war, congress gave the president dislowed in many foreign cities and in one spect, therefore, the present army bill every civilized land.

congress in the present instance. As undisturbed possession. The elements Shipments of breadstuffs were the most Although leaving the discussion of was said by Senator Allison in the de- of the fusion combination will omit no power of congress, except that limital side of the ledger. The railroads have tion which we have fixed in our stat- had a most prosperous year, with pracas I know, bringing the army down to a with existing facilities. The declarathe house insular committee. Repre- The rate of fare and compensation to purpose of providing for flexibility, fixes courage the owners to continue in the Butter shipments decreased, while cheese sentative Cooper, that it is not for con- the city are really correlative subjects, a minimum number and a maximum work of betterment, so we may expect elected for another term in the United gress, but for the Cuban people, to pass because it is plain that if fares are re-number, but that is of no moment. We a considerable outlay for construction upon the constitution and that the most | duced the power to compensate for the | can make the minimum less than 50,000 | during the coming season. congress can properly do in the matter franchise is correspondingly decreased, hereafter if we so decide in congress. is to pass a declaratory resolution ex- Whether the franchise should be sold at It is a perfectly legitimate thing upon pressing its views as to the sufficiency auction for a lump sum or for a per the army appropriation bill to limit the his voice long enough to sound a warn- quantity or value, but for the year there apof the constitution in insuring a stable centage of the annual receipts or com- appropriation for recruits for the ing against what he calls "headlong na-

There is a bill in the hands of the study." But that, of course, relates 100,000 men will not be required. Peace other Dutch conservatives. house committee on banking and cur- more particularly to the city of Chicago. in the Philippines may not be so far rency, introduced by Representative In Omaha the city has met with excel- away as some apprehend. If it should Lovering of Massachusetts, which pro- lent results from its gas franchise come soon, the president, it is safe to vides for making the currency more stipulation requiring the payment to say, will not call for more troops, in ex- ward, but they are employing the old-fashflexible and therefore more responsive the city of a percentage of cess of the minimum authorized, than in loned mode of playing horse with the repto the demands of business. The author the receipts from sales of gas to private his judgment and that of the military resentatives of the powers. of the bill points out that the time is consumers, which for the year just authorities are deemed to be necessary. near at hand when the demand for ad- closed has approximated \$12,000. There But it is wise and prudent to be pre-

And now a telephone expert insists to issue to the per value of bonds de- commissions of this kind framing legis- that the principle of wireless telegraphy posited to secure circulation. Hereafter lation with a view to safeguarding the may possibly be used for communicapractically no further increase can be public interests and at the same time tions from mind to mind. The perfecaffording every legitimate protection to tion of this project would be the great-The Lovering bill provides that any the franchised corporations. In the est calamity that could befall the human bank may issue circulating notes, in ad- course of a few years some satisfactory race. By relegating to the junk pile all dition to its bond-secured notes, to an plan of dealing with this intricate prob- the intricate machinery of language, amount not exceeding one-fifth of the lem which confronts every large city is alphabets and other means of communiface value of the United States bonds sure to be worked out and to find favor cation that have been devised at the which it has deposited to secure its cur- by imitation and adaptation from one expense of so much skill and ingenuity Now let the Nebraska legislators authorize and anomalous attitude. it would reduce the people to the level a commission to locate the present position of dummies by removing all necessity of Pat Crowe. capital stock. A guaranty gold fund CONTROVERSY OVER THE FREE RANGE. of articulate speech. It would make of 5 per cent of the amount of notes so At the Sait Lake convention of the the deaf man the equal of the man of issued is established and held in the National Live Stock association the perfect hearing. Worse yet, however, United States treasury to secure the "irrepressible conflict" between the cat- it would remove all safeguards to secourse the additional issue of notes thus a more aggravated form and a division without his volition. For most people democracy, which finds the present the control of the national treasury and were taken toward the formation of a will be far preferable to any scheme

> Colorado has a law on its statute and passed in the senate to repeal the

other result would be a tendency to range in Arizona, Utah, Nevada, Ore pense with the prize fighter colony

braska, was formerly editor-in-chief of The Omaha Bee and gave up that position to enter the senatorial fight.-Philadelphia

Much of the wealth of the west is against the proposed enactment of a Anything new along the line of medical inof the people. Therefore the matter of United States, pointing out that such a says it is extremely hard to see business count for something, the days of the The principal points of more than local adjusting the differences between the war would mean the practical ruin of men long enough to explain to them the colored representative in congress are interest emphasized by the commission cowboy and the shepherd is one of the textile industry and the crippling of situation as to vice in this city and to ingravest importance, worthy of the calm- many others. The United States ad- terest them in the campaign against it. present session by the North Carolina In the first place, the conclusion is est consideration and wisest delibera- heres to the protective policy and has That is the old story. Many Chicagonia levying tariff duties, provided there is no nicipal maladministration—to anything ex-The army bill passed the senate by a hold its own if a commercial war is make their money they pronounce the city

The London Spectator takes the sensi- gains or losses of membership is most unstates that if the English government necessarily believe every article of the was no precedent for the authority given tainly insist upon controlling it and pro- points, and his good fellowship is seldon The Chicago commission fights shy of the president, it was readily disposed of tecting it, if protection was necessary. the problem of municipal ownership for by the citation of legislation as far back | The Spectator has evidently rubbed the

Congress has taken action on the pro-

minimum. This bill, however, for the tion of railroad dividends should en-

tional heedlessness" and to invoke the As to the assertion that the army "cultivation of the saving grace of Dutch conservatism." President Cleve- Philadelphia the only other important point. case. The furthest the commission ven- those who make it have not offered any land should be initiated as one of the satisfactory reason for their opinion, charter members of J. Sterling Morquestion of fares needs overhauling and Events may determine that an army of ton's conservative party, along with

### Something Up the Sleeve. Washington Post. The Chinese may do some things back-

No Adequate Penalty. Detroit Free Press. Another thing showing the remote sense

# starts a false alarm of fire in a crowded

Signals Far from Home. Chicago Post That Omaha signal lantern, with the threat attachment, has reached Red Bud, Someone will work this line of rais-

### poles may bear strange fruit. Opportunities for Fame.

ing money once too often and telegraph

Minneapolis Times. A bill has been introduced in the Minne sota jegislature authorizing a commission to

#### Curiosities of the Census. Indianapolis Journal.

The recent census shows that out of sixtyone counties in New York twenty-two show a decrease in population since 1890, and out of sixty-seven counties in Pennsylvania sixteen show a decrease during the same peried. The aggregate decrease is not large, but enough to show that the counties where it occurs have about reached the limit of their habitable capacity. All the cities show large increases.

# Rew Material Useless.

The notion of suppressing Boer hostili-

### PLASTS FROM RAM'S HORN.

Only he can secure success who is willing Men are ever ready to amend the gospel

and then put the amendment first. You cannot expect to feel at home in the church while you stay out on the stoop. The great question is not Are you ready

to die, but Are you ready to live again? Many preachers yield to a reversed temp tation; they turn the bread into stones. There is a tremendous chasm between the poetry we applaud and the prose we apply. The greatest contradiction is the church

that pretends to pray to God while it When Paul wrote of "lifting up holy hands" he was not contemplating the stand

### and deliver style of prayer. SECULAR SHOTS AT THE PULPIT.

Chicago Chronicle: Prof. Herron declures that he is a member of a church denounces?

Cleveland Plain Dealer: One of the New tion to his congregation last Sunday. This looks a little as if sixteenth century German manufacturers are protesting selves across the new century's threshold. bigetry and narrowness had forced them-

no right to object to other countries are too busy to attend to the smoke nursance, to the saloons, to vice, to mudiscrimination, but it is amply able to cept moneymaking. And then when they dirt and go to New York to die. Boston Globe: This whole matter of de-

termining the life of the churches by their meant one who had subscribed to a definite creed and articles of faith. What the membership of the evangelical churches

creed or agree with others on theological questioned.

### EXPORTS OF STAPLE PRODUCTS. Character and Value of American

Goods Shipped Abroad. New York Tribune. December shipments of the principal

products were valued at \$91,807,558, exceeding all other months, with the exception of its consideration is perplexing congress of the public street and to lease the the existing differences between the States. With that act was laid the chief cause of the large aggregate is found The man who introduces the most men. Cuba being foreign territory, ownership and operation of the rolling United States and the French repub-foundation of the United States supreme in shipments of cotton worth \$44,153,788, freak measures into the legislature is whose people have an unquestionable stock to private corporations on terms lic, unless sooner discharged." In court, which, thanks to the learning and which is only account to the big figures not necessarily the most valuable legis- right to establish an independent gov- beneficial to the public. This is the 1799, 1803, 1812, 1813, 1832, honesty of Marshall and those who of October, when this commodity went Tho States to pass upon the constitution for with reference to the construction of lating to the military establishment the world over as one of the greatest exceeded in many months of recent years, quantity was not exceptionally large, being of Westmoreland, Kan., have established a Pat Crowe probably never dreamed of such government if that instrument is suburban electric roads throughout the which gave more or less discretionary judicial bodies in the world, whose de- but 882,615 bales at an average price of 9.7 being worth so much as the present satisfactory to a majority of the people county and has been successfully fol- authority to the president. In this recredit in the United Kingdom, which took hand and refreshments are served twice a 22,124,553 pounds, Gerguny 9,550,461 and week. So far the experiment has been a France, 4,270,035 pounds. Italy, Spain, pronounced success. Because the Nebraska republicans Belgium and Canada were also liberal purthe United States and all foreign na- municipal ownership this experiment dication of the authority of congress. have regained control of the state gives chasers, even at the highest prices in ten

shipments of corn were only 189,095,435 bushels, against 204,474,115 in the previous year, while the value was \$83,756,551 against \$82,056,880 in 1899. During the twelve months wheat exports decreased to 182,045,139 bushels, against 191,816,045 in the preceding year.

Provisions went out freely without making any unusual record for the last month but the total value of meats sent abroad during the year 1900 was \$202,251,699, an increase of \$4,487,389 over 1899, which in turn was larger than preseding years. gained about an equal amount. By far the largest proportion in this division was sent out from the port of New York, \$91,296,678. against \$50,836,090 from Boston, the next in size. Of mineral oils the December move Former President Cleveland has found ment was not exceptionally heavy either in pears an Increase of \$8,294,033 over 1890 and \$20,725,234 over 1898. The bulk of exports in this class was of illuminating oils. with New York the principal shipper and It is gratifying to find that the foreign demand for many of these leading articles of domestic production has not materially decreased despite the general advance in prices. In the case of wheat the movement makes a good comparison with December. 1899, even as to quantity, but this is found to result from an exceptionally light record

a year ago. The general range of wheat. corn and cotton closed the year at from 10 to 30 per cent higher prices than those prevailing a year previous, and there was every reason to anticipate serious loss in exports Thus far, however, the official record indicates no striking curtailment and it is probable that figures of manufactured exof equity among lynchers in this country is ports will make a still more favorable ex the immunity they extend to the fiend who hibit in the record of foreign trade for 1900.

LITERACY IN PORTO RICO.

The argument in the Porto Rican cases in

#### Features of the Census of the Island Recently Taken. Baltimore Sun

the United States supreme court lends interest to the census of that island, which has just been promulgated in detail. The cen sus was compiled under the supervision of General J. P. Sanger and computes the total population at 953,243. The great problem underlying the present court proceedings affects the status of nearly 1,000,000 people ascertain the position of Minnesota troops and will determine whether they are citiin the campaign and slege of Vicksburg, zens, subjects, aliens or stand in some new Aside from this there are several point

brought out by the enumeration worthy of note. There are \$,721 more women than mor on the island. The matter of color is also one of interest, since it is something of an agreeable surprise to learn that r trifle over three-fifths of the entire population is pure white, the other two-fifths hading down to the full-blood negro. The table which bears upon the literact

of the islanders is not quite so reassuring as the statement affecting color. The figures show that only one-half of I per cent of the population possess higher education. In other words, only 5,045 out of 953,243 are of the well educated class. Those of moderate of this company, which is offered now at education, embracing the ability to read, a low price, subject to advance on complestand in Letter relation to the total populaties in South Africa by a colonial police tion, there being 138,427, or 14.5 per cent, of force seems to have been abandoned by them. Those who can read, but cannot the British War office. It has been evident | write, number 15,380, or 1.6 per cent, while These last figures are worthy of close con-Rico.

## PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

Chicago has 6,371 saloons which netted the city \$3,162,170 in revenue last year. Since the keresene soirce at Leaven

worth, Kansas has not pointed the finger of scorn at Colorado. A Pennsylvania bank cashler shook the

plum tree and bagged \$19,000. Now he is diligently shaking the sleuths. "Death Makes a Scene," says a headline over an account of the Paterson trial.

Nothing strange about that, excepting Death was alive. Jack the Gripper is giving the dectors

the liveliest run of the season for their money. The doctors are not kicking. It's the other fellows. A bachelor legislator in Michigan proposes a law taxing bachelors over 30 at

the rate of \$5 a year. Mighty small premium on liberty. Grip men and women can extract some comfort from the fact that they comprise formidable company-about 560,000 all

told in this country. The Filipinos dropped another printing press in their hasty flight in northern Luzon. This is one of the few occasions

in which the press got left. A Connecticut woman embodied a grudge in her will by leaving all her money, \$7,000, to a pair of yellow dogs. Now watch the

slighted relatives coddle the dogs. Colonel Colville, the Boer chaser, after a week's fruitless hunt, called a halt to give his jaded troopers a chance to catch their breath. That was all there was in sight to eatch.

In cases of high crimes, the judicial machinery at Paterson, N. J., moved along with admirable celerity. The example might be followed throughout the country with great profit to public morals.

Joe Mulhatton, the prince of fakirs, solemply asserts he is not dead, and that he entertains no intentions in that line. Unfortunately, Joe's reputation is such that

his assertions cannot be taken seriously. Perhaps on closer acquaintance with European civilization the Chinese may be able without a surgical operation to grasp the fine distinction between stealing and looting. At present the crude Celestials carrot see the point.

To the announcement that Governor Odell will attend a particular Presbyterian church while in Albany is added the interesting news that the pasters of the various clurches made "an animated canvass to secure the governor" as a member of their congregations.

At a "Quo Vadis" show in the Academy of Music in New York a consignment of Christian martyrs were about to be fed to the lions when the stage stairway leading to the arena collapsed and the martyrs fell to the floor. It is said that the language in which they referred to the stage carpenter seriously damaged their reputation martyrs.

Brevet Brigadier General James Cavanagh, who died on Monday last at his home in Brooklyn, N. Y., at the age of 70 years, fought with the Irish brigade in the civil war from Yorktown to Antietam. With Colonel Nugent, he led the noted charge of that command at the battle of Fredericksburg and fell dangerously wounded within 100 feet of the enemy's position.

Acting on the belief that if you want to break a man of a bad habit you must give him a good one in exchange for it, the girls loafing place for the young men, with a view of keeping them out of the "joints."

# DOMESTIC PLEASANTRIES.

Chicago Record: "Will you marry me? what made you so slow about asking

Philadelphia Press: "When I first met you," cried the woman who had been mar-ried for her money, "you occupied a low menial position, but now, thanks to me, hymeneal one," her husband interrupted

"I am not surprised," returned the girl in blue sweetly. "He told me he had been do-ing persons." Chicago Chronicle: "Why should a woman

Chleago Post: "He kissed me," said the

take a man's name when she marries him?"
"Well, as long as she takes everything
else she might as well take that, too." Indianapolis Press: "A woman usually blaks her husband perfect," said the young

man. "Yes," answered Mr. Sirius Barker. "He may be 'a perfect donkey' or 'a perfect bear'-but he's perfect." Somerville Journal: "There is one point to which I wish to call your attention said the humorist.

"It isn't in any of these jokes you have brought in, is it?" asked the editor. Chicago Tribune: "Clara, dear, we've been careful so far and I don't think they suspect we are just married. You must scold me a little now as we get off the (Sharply and in a high-pitched voice)-"George, darling, when we get to the hotel you must certainly take off that absurd lavender necktie."

Indianapolis Press; "Do you think the face an index to the mine" asked the presy boarder. "Well," said the Savage Bachelor, "when a woman makes up her mind that she has lived single too long she is apt to make

Detroit Free Press: "Here," said the hus-band of a New Woman, entering a tailor shop and laying a bundle on the counter, "you will have to after these trousers. I can't wear them at all as they are," "Really," replied the tailor, as he opened "Really," replied the tailor, as he opened the bundle, "you must excuse me, my dear sir, these are your wife's."

# THE NEW CENTURY.

We, who greet you, shall not see Your wonderful clear showing Of hopes and plans and mystery In mortal minds now growing.

Men will bask in warmth and light That we can only dream of: Radiance burst on human sight That we shall catch no gleam of. Those who follow us shall ride

Where swift-winged birds are flying. With safe compass, chart and guide, The elements defying.

Thought will answer unto thought And reach the distant rover; Broader knowledge will be brought Before your reign is over.

"Salutamus!" then, we cry; We welcome you and leave you; We, who are, so soon, to die, Are honored to receive you. Winside, Neb. BELLE WILLEY GUE.

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