## STATISTICS

of Twenty Years' Record.

TWELVE MILLION MARRIAGES

One in Twelve of These, According to Records of the Courts, Has Proven a Fallure-Divorces on the Increuse.

of the statistics of marriage and divorce an increase of 21 per cent in population arlier inquiry being carried out through the vorces 29.3 per cent. agency of the Department (now bureau) of It this appears that at the end of the Which the residence is unknown being 12.5 Labor, under the direction of Carroll D. forty-year period that divorces were inpert special agent of the census bureau. thrids as fast. The detailed report presenting the results of the present inquiry, and including also a summarization of figures presented in the two in 1906. In the former year there was former report, which is now out of print, is in press; but in the meantime the census the year later one divorce for every 1,218. bureau has issued a bulletin, prepared by Since it is only married people who can Joseph A. Hill, which presents a summary become divorced, a more significant diof the results of the inqury with as much vorce rate it that which is based, not upon

general public

Over Twelve Million Marriages. during the twenty years from 1887 to 1996, parison indicates that divource is at present inclusive, was 12.832,044. The number and two and one-half times as common. nually reported increased from 483,069 in the pared with married population, as it was year 1887 to 853,390 in the year 1906. The inform. The marriage rate is quickly respon- to two per 1,000 married population. Assive to changes in economic conditions. A suming that 1,000 married people represent small increase shown for 1898 and an actual 500 married couples, it follows that in each influence of the panic of 1892, and normal 1,000 secure a divorce. conditions do not appear to have been restored in the matrimonial market until the year 1899. It is computed that if the average annual increase in marriages during the fer the next six years the aggregate number of marriages contracted during the latter period would have been greater than it was by 259,813. It is to be presumed that a considerable number of persons in this large total never contracted marriage. This suggests a loss to the community heretofore

financial depression Marriage Rate. ne marriage rate in the United States in year 1900 was 93 per 10,000 population. ased upon the adult unmarired (single widowed ordicorced) population, the rate becomes 321 per 10,000, indicating that in each year semething over 3 per cent of the unmarried adult population marry. The marriage rate based on the total population is higher in the United States than in any other country for which reliable stalistics are available. But taking the marageable population as the basist-hat is se population which is of marriageable age and not married-the rate in the United States is not as high as it is in Hungary, is about the same as in Saxony, but is still higher than in any of the other countries

Nearly One Million Marital Failures. The total number of divorces reported for the twenty years, 187 to 1906, inclusive, was



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M5,625. For the earlier investigation, covering the twenty years, 1967 to 1886, inclusive, at the rate of 10,00 a year; at the end of that period the anual number was about 95,000. This increase, however, must be turned as contested, and probably in many

opulation. between the years 1870 to 1880 was accom- served personally 20 per cent were conpanied by an increase of 79 per cent in the tested, while in those cases in which notice number of divorces granted. nI the next decade, 1880 to 1890, the population increased only a per cent were contested. The latter WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.-The bureau of 35 per cent and the divorces 76 per cent, form of notice is commonly employed where the census has just completed a compilation and in the following decade, 1890 to 1900, the residence of the defendants is outside overing a period of twenty years from was accompanied by an increase of & per 37 to 1896, inclusive. This is the second cent in the number of divorces. In the of three the residence of the defendant is atistical investigation of this character six years from 1900 to 1906, population, as either outside the state or is unknown. uthorized by the federal government, the estimated, increased 19'5 per cent and di- the percentage residing outside the state

Wright, who was then commissioner of creasing about three times as fast as populabor. Mr. Wright has also been associated lation, while in the first decade (1870 to with the present inquiry, acting as an ex- 1889) they increased about two and two-

The divorce rate per 100,000 population increased frob twenty-nine in 1876 to eightyone divorce for every 3,441 persons, and in detail as will probably be desired by the total population, but upon the total married population. The rate per 100,00 married population was eighty-one in the year The total number of marriages recorded 1870 and 300 in the year 1900. This comforty years ago. A divorce rate of 200 crease year by year was by no means uni- per 100,000 married population is equivalent decrease in the succeeding year reflect the year four married couples out of every

This does not mean that only four marriages out of 1,000 are terminated by divorce, The rate, it will be noted, is an annual rate, continuously operative, and comes five years ending with 1892 had continued far short of measuring the probability of ulitimate divorce. The available data in- tween marriage and separation. Usually field of Fort Crook, Captain Jack Crawdicate, however, that not less than one separation precedes divorce by a consid-marriage in twelve is ultimately terminated erable length of time; and a certain period Colonel and Mrs. Thomas Swobe by divorce.

in the United States that in any of the arises. The number of years from mar- they attended the Orpheum. The party foreign countries for which statistics re- riage to separation was ascertained in included Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Swobe, Mr. lating to this subject have been obtained. ttle considered in connection with periods The number of divorces reported for each state in each twenty-year period and the first year of married life, and 109,689, or divorce rate in 1880 and 1900, based on a 14.2 per cent, in the second year; in the

five-year average, were as follows: Divorce Rate
Tot'l Divorces Per 100,000
Granted. Population.
1887 to 1897 to 1890.
1906, 1896. 1900, 1880.
1945,625 238,715 73 38
v. 142,930 73,503 38 28

North Atlantic Div. 142,930	73.503	33	28
Maine 14,194	8,412	117	78
New Hampshire 8,617	4,979	112	85
Vermont 4,740	3,238	75	47
Massachusetts 23,940	9,853	47	30
Rhode Island 6,953 Connecticut 9,234	4,463	105	93
Connecticut 9.234	8,543	60	61
New York 29,125	15,355	23	16
New Jersey 7,441	2,643	23	13
Pernsylvania 39.686	16,020		
South Atlantic Div 58,608			21
Dalamine Div 58,008	16,357	33	_13
Delaware 887	289	16	10
Maryland 7,920 Dist. of Columbia. 2,325	2.185	40	12
Dist. of Columbia. 2,325	1,105	58	31
Virginia 12,129	2,635	38	11
West Virginia 10,308	2,555	64	25
North Carolina 7,047	1,338	24	6
†South Carolina	163	44	1
Georgia 10,401	3,959	24	14
Florida 7,586	2,128	79	63
North Central Div 434,476	162,830	96	55
Ohlo 63,982	26,367	91	48
Indiana 60,721	25,193	143	70
Illinois 83,209	36,072	100	
Mileston I 40 971			68
Michigan	18,433		72
Minesonain processes 22,867	9,968	65	41
Minnesota 15,646	3,623	.56	37
lowa 34,874	16,564	92	60
Missouri 64,706	15,278		40
#North Dakota 4.317	297	88	46
1South Dakota 7,108	790	96	48
Nebraska 16,711	3,034	82	43
_ Kansas 28,904	7,191	109	44
South Central Div. 230,289	49,327	95	35
Kentucky 30,641	10,248	84	35
Tennessee 30,447	9,625	89	38
Alabama 22,807	5,204	69	27
Mississippi 19,968	5,040	74	30
Louisiana 9.785	1,697		10
Arkansas 29,541	6.041	136	53
Indian Ter 6,751	******	113	200
Oklahoma 7,689	******	129	700
Texas 62 dec	11,472	181	49
Western Division 89,377	26,699	129	89
Montana 6,454	822		125
Idaho 8,306		167	
		120	68
Wyoming 1,773	401	118	111
Colorado 15,844 New Mexico 2,437	3,687	158	138
A # 810X100 ++++++ 2,437	255	73	
Arisona 2,380	237	120	47
Utah 4.670			
Nevada 1,045	1,128	111	106
Washington 16,216	996	164	75

fAll laws permitting divorce were repealed in 1873.

Dorganized from part of Dakota territory November 2, 1889. Divorces granted in the counties then comprising Dakota territory are distributed between North Dakota and South Dakota according as the counties are now located in one or the other of these states.

Wives Obtain Twice as Many. Two-thirds of the total number of livorces granted in the twenty-year period

overed by this investigation were granted the wife.

Without any reference to the question of ponsible for the marital unhappiness that company. eads to divorce, it may be said that the wife has a legal ground for divorce more frequently than the husband; that is to say, there are certain well-recognized and omparatively common grounds that are nore readily applicable as against the husband than as against the wife. Notably there is "neglect to provide" or nonsupport, which, for the husband seeking divorce, is hardly an available ground, alhough the present investigation found six cases in the state of Utah, in which the usband obtained a divorce on that ground. Cruelty, although not infrequently the ground for divorces granted to husbands, is more generally existent as a cause for the wife's seeking a divorce. Five divorces for cruelty are granted to the wife for

every one granted to the husband. Causes of Divorce.

The most common single ground for livorce in desertion. This accounts for 38.9 per cent of all divorces (period 1887 to 1906); 49.4 per cent, or almost one-balf of those granted to the husband, and 33.5 per cent, or one-third, of those granted to the

The next most important ground of divorce is, for husbands, adultery, and for wives, cruelty. Of the divorces granted to husbands 1887 to 1906) 28.8 per cent were for adultery; and of those granted to wives Il.5 per cent were for cruelty. Only 10 per cent of the divorces granted to wives were for adultery of the husband, and 10.5 per cent of divorces granted to husbands were

or cruelty on the part of the wife. Drunkenness was the ground for divorce n 5.3 per cent of the cases in which the wife brought suit, and in 1.1 per cent of the ases in which the suit was brought by the

The above percentages represent those uses in which the specified cause was the to his lasting benefit. He tells his wife all druggists. sole ground on which the divorce was that the coffee is better than it used to manted. Very frequently, however, divorces are granted, not upon one ground nly, but upon two or more in combina-

In many cases in which drunkenness ntemperance was not recognized in the ville," in page. decree of the court as a ground for divorce | it appears to have been present as a contributory influence. Intemperance was in are genuine, true, and full of human fact reported as an indirect or contribu- interest.

tory cause of divorce in 5 per cent of the divorces granted to the husband and in 18 the number reported was 338,716, or hardly per cent of the divorces granted to the more than one-third of the number re- wife, and appeared as a direct or indirect Census Bureau Makes a Compilation corded in the second twenty years. At the cause in 19.5 per cent of all divorces, and reginning of the forty-year period, covered 28.3 per cent of those granted to wives and by the two investigations, divorces occurred 6.1 per cent of those granted to husbands. Few Divorce Cases Contested.

Only 15 per cent of the divorces were reconsidered in conection with increase in of these cases the contesting was bardly more than a formality. Of those divorces nA increase of 30 per cent in population in which notice upon the defendant was was served by publication in newspapers the state in which the suit is brought, or is unknown. In about one divorce case out being 20.6 per cent, and the percentage for

One Wife in Eight Gets Altmony. Allmony was demanded in 18 per cent of the divorces granted to the wife, and was granted in 12.7 per cent. In other words, three wives out of sixteen asked for allony, and two out of sixteen, or 1 out of eight, obtained it. The proportion of husbands who asked for alimony was 2.8 per cent, and the proportion obtaining it was 2 per cent.

Duration of Divorced Marriages. The average duration of marriages terninated by divorce is about ten years. Sixty per cent, or three-fifths, last less than ten years and 40 per cent last longer. The number of divorces occurring in the first year of married life during the entire period, 1887 to 1906, was 18.876; the number increases to 27,764 in the second year of married life, and reaches its maximum in the fifth year, when it becomes 68,770. From that point on the number diminishes year by year, but does not fall below the number granted in the first year of married life until the eighteenth year is reached. The rapidity with which matteers come

to a crisis in the married careers of di-98,460, or 12.8 per cent, separated in the Mrs. Thomas Swobe, twenty-five years of married life.

Place of Marriage.

In this report divorces have been classidistinguishable from those of natives. Ineson, Mr. Paul Gallagher, Mr. Ben Gal-Of the divorced couples known to have lagher, Mr. Wilson Austin, Mr. Stanley been married in the United States 88.5 per Rosewater and Mr. and Mrs. Baum. cent were married in the same state in which they were divorced, and 21.5 per cent in other states. Of the divorced couples known to have been married in honor of Mrs. F. A. Brogan, who has foreign countries 38.9 per cent were married in Canada; 12.7 per cent in England: 16.1 per cent in Germany, and 1.9 per cent E. M. Fairfield, W. E. Martin, C. A. Hull, in Ireland. The percentage for Ireland is notably small, as compared with the population of Irish birth, which, in fact, constitute 15.6 per cent of the total foreign born population in the year 1900. It is further notworthy that the divorced marriages contracted in Germany are any more than eight times as many as contracted in Ireland, althought the German born populiation is only 65 per cent larger than the Bridge club. Miss Mary Alice Rogers was

Children were reported in 39.8 per cent of the total number of divorced cases. \*\*Based on the annual average of divorce or the five-year period of which the cenus year is the median fear.

All laws permitting divorce were repealed present in 46.8 per cent of the former class. present in 46.8 per cent of the former class of divorces and 26 per cent of the latter. A reason suggested for this is that the children are usually assigned by the court to the mother, and to her, therefore, divorce does not imply separation from her children, while to the husband it involves a severance fothe parental as well as the

to learn that the sure way to cure a cough or cold is with Dr. King's New Discovery. which party is the more frequently re- 50c and \$1. For sale by Beaton Drug

Emperor's Cold Not Serious. BERLIN, Nov. 26 .- According to a bulletin issued this afternoon from the new normal course.

CLEVER WIFE Knew How to Keep Peace in Pamily.

It is quite significant, the number of persons who get well of alarming heart rouble when they let up on coffee and use Postum as the beverage at meals. There is nothing surprising about it however, because the harmful alkaloid in coffee caffeine is not present in Postum, which is made of clean, hard

wheat. "Two years ago I was having so much trouble with my heart," writes a lady in Washington, "that at times I felt quite alarmed. My husband took me to a specialist to have my heart examined. "The doctor said he could find no organic trouble but said my heart was irritable from some food I had been accustomed to eat, and asked me to try and

remember what disagreed with me. "I remembered that coffee always soured on my stomach and caused me I stopped coffee and began to use Pos-I have had no further trouble since. "A neighbor of ours, an old man, was so irritable from drinking coffee that his wife wanted him to drink Postum. This made him very angry, but his wife se-

cured some Postum and made it carefully according to directions. "He drank the Postum and did not know the difference, and is still using it be, so she smiles with him and keeps peace in the family by serving Postum instead of coffee." "There's a Reason." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read "The Road to Well-

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They

NOTES ON OMAHA SOCIETY

Informal Family Dinners Predominate on Thanksgiving Day Calendar.

ARMY CONTINGENT ENTERTAINS

small Parties for Afternoon Game, Followed by Numerous Suppers-Lieutenant Nathan Shiverick Honored with Party.

Family dinner parties marked the calendar for nearly every one Thanksgiving day. There were golf contests galore t the morning at the country clubs among the enthusiasts of the game and also a few in the afternoon among those who did not attend one of the foot ball games. The old fashioned dinner, lasting from one to two or three hours, has been relegated to the past, for "who would not rather see a foot ball game than eat?" And then every one is interested in the school boys and wishes to help them cheer for their alma mater.

There were many parties for the foot ball game, most of them not larger than three or four; then there were also a number of "Dutch treat" parties to see the game, followed by informal cafe suppers.

Army Dinner Parties. At Fort Crook nearly every one celebrated Phanksgiving, either by giving a dinner party or attending one. Colonel and Mrs. Cornelius Gardner entertained at dinner their table having an attractive centerpiece of huge yellow chrysanthemums. Covers were placed for Dr. and Mrs. Van Dusen Lieutenant and Mrs. Morrison. Captain Bundell, Liuetenant Perin L Smith and Colonel and Mrs. Gardner

Captain and Mrs. Ball entertained at dinner and among those present were Major and Mrs. Johnston, Miss Johnston, Captain and Mrs. Hayes, Lieutenant and Mrs. White and Lieutenant Nuelsen. Several smaller parties were given.

Colonel and Mrs. William Glassford gave a Thanksgiving dinner Thursday at their home in Fort Omaha. Covers were placed vorced couples is more clearly indicated for Mrs. Charles Morton, Mr. and Mrs. by the number of years which elapse be- C. D. Armstrong, Captain Eldred War-

Colonel and Mrs. Thomas Swobe enter must necessarily elapse before a divorce tained a small party at Thanksgiving din-Divorce rates appear to be much higher can be obtained after the occasion for it ner Thursday at the Merriam, after which case of 770,929 divorced couples. Of these and Mrs. C. Y. Smith and Colonel and

Supper Party. Mr. and Mrs. David A. Baum, who have third year the number falls off to 76,102; as their guest Lieutenant Nathan Shiverat the end of the fifth one-half of the lok of Fort Sam Houston, gave a 7 o'clock total number of separations have taken supper Wednesday evening at their home, place. But it is a somewhat surprising goos Harney street, their guests being fact that 24,143 married couples, or 3.1 per members of the younger set. The large cent of the total number, separated and table in the dining room had a centerbecame divorced after the completion of piece of green ferns, lighted with candles with green shades. Two smaller tables were placed in the living room, where a color scheme of yellow was used, yellow fled with respect to the state or country in chrysanthemums forming the centerplace which the parties were married. In 10.8 for each table. Those present were Miss per cent of the total number of cases this Brownle Bess Baum, Miss Jean Cudahy, information was not obtained; 68.1 per cent | Miss Carolyn Barkalow, Miss Elizabeth were reported as married in the same state | Congdon, Miss Mary Alice Rogers, Miss in which the divorce was granted; 18.7 per | Miriam Patterson, Miss Helen Davis, Miss cent married in some other state, and 25 Dorothy Morgan, Miss Gwendoline White, per cent married in fareign countries. The Miss Marion Connell, Miss Ruth Moorhead, last percentage can, by no means, be ac-Miss Bess Moorhead, Miss Jeanie Ayeriss. cepted as representing the proportion of Mr. Edward A. Cudahy, jr.; Mr. Jack divorces granted to foreigners, since many Baum, Mr. Richard Baum, Mr. Denise lmigrants were married after coming to Barkalow, Mr. Frank Wilhelm, Mr. Walter this country, and such marriages are not Roberts, Mr. Robert Burns, Mr. Stanley

> For Mrs. Brogan. Mrs. E. H. Sprague gave a small bridge recently returned from an extended eastern trip. Those present were Mesdames George Doane, W. H. Wheeler, H. T. Lemist, F. A. Brogan, Wilson Low, Daniel Wheeler, jr.; E. H. Sprague, Misses Daisy Doane, Lynn Curtis, Belle Dewey and Ida

Midweek Card Club. Mrs. Louis Nash was hostess Wednesday afternoon at the metting of the Midweek a guest of the club and the members present were Mesdames T. L. Davis, Louis Nash, E. T. Swobe, Jerome Magee, Ben Cotton, Glenn Wharton, C. Y. Smith,

Birthday Party. A birthday party was given Monday in nor of Mrs. William Gloe at her home, 2413 Leavenwarth. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. C. Wolf, Mr. and Mrs. C. Witt, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Voss, Mesdames A. Koenigsbruegge, A. Brandes, H. Schroeder, J. Shuett, H. Stoltenberg, C. Hinz, J. Bastian, G. Lucas, A. Fehrs, C. Rumohr, A. Schroeder, P. Goos, J. Reiter, H. Starken, Chmke, W. Jacuiseck, P. Fehrs, H. Butenschoen, Misses Mollie Hansen, Ethel Wise, Dora Gloe, Grace Wise, Martha Witt, Margaret Struck, Margaret Lucas, Ella Koenigsbruegge, Myrtle Witt, Messes. Fred Zotzmann, Karl Jaculzick, Julius Kordt, August Zotzmann, William Jacul-

zick. Prospective Pleasures. Professional Women's league of The Omaha will hold its first formal gathering palace at Potsdam the cold with which the Priday evening, when a dinner will be emperor is suffering continues to take its given in the Pompelan room of the new Hansen cafe. Dr. Lenna Meanes of Des Mcirce will be the guest of honor and a program of toasts has been arranged. About twenty members of the league will

be present. The Michigan University dinner which will be given Friday evening at the Hanson cafe promises to be a great success, over forty acceptances having been sent in. Mrs. W. A. Paxton jr., wil entertain at uncheon Tuesday, at the Omaha club and later in the week will give a second party.

Come and Go Gossip. Mrs. F. H. Cole spent Thanksgiving as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Barber of Lincoln. Neb.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Gilbert Jackson of Oshkosh, Wis., are the guests of their son, Mr. Harvey G. Jackson and Mrs. Jackson during the holidays, after which they will eave for Los Angeles to spend the winter A son was born this week to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Veryeer of Des Moines. Mrs. Verveer was formerly Miss Mae Rothschild of Omaha.

William F. Fyfe has gone to St. Paul, Minn., where he is to be married to Miss trouble from palpitation of the heart. So | Helen Robertson of that place, on next Thursday.

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The World's Best, the Greatest Selection ever, the Finest, the good and medium priced Pianos all included in this Big Sale, Note! Over Twenty Different Piano Factories' Products, mostly High Grade Pianos sacrificed for the needed room. Remember these are our Regular stock, up-to-date Instruments and are new Pianos, formerly sold at \$200, \$250, \$300, \$350, \$400 and up to \$600 and \$1,000 each.

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GENEVA-The funeral of Mrs. H. Curtis, mother of County Attorney A. D. Curtis, was held this afternoon at the Methodist

BEATRICE—Carl Wesley and Miss Agnes syoboda, both of the Odell neighborhood, were married yesterday by County Judge

DICKENS-Lulu, the 4-year-old daughter of Willam Brooks, a farmer near here, ited today. The funeral services will be

SCHUYLER-About daybreak yesterday snow commenced failing and at noon about six inches had fallen and at 3 o'clock it was still snowing. GRAND ISLAND—The first real snow-fall of the season followed a rain which set in early this morning. The precipitation continued throughout the earlier part of

the day. PLATTSMOUTH - To properly celebrate Thanksgiving day Walter Green of Sarpy county and Miss Anna Budig of this city were united in marriage by County Judge

FRIEND-The first snowstorm of the season reached this place yesterday morning and for a time the indications were that a blizzard was on tap, but the temperature did not go low during the day. About three inches of "the beautiful" fell. BEATRICE-Clarence Cave died yesterday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Cave, after a prolonged illness of tuberculosis. He was 30 years of age, and a short time before he was taken ill he was employed with the Union Pacific road as a brakeman.

FRIEND-At about midnight last night the electric lighting plant and pumping station was discovered to be on fire. The blaze was extinguished with little loss.
This is the third fire that has occurred in this plant since its installation. The plant is owned by the city and was fully insured.

Quick Returns Through Bee Want Ada.

Rare Beer Killed in Maine.

Hanging in front of a store at Deering Center this week was a rare specimen of the deer family. It was spotted in a manner which old hunters said they never before saw the like of.

It seems to be a cross between an albino and the common North American deer. Besides its peculiar marking it is a good sized animal, weighing probably 200 nounds.

Albert H. Small, the court stenographer, shot this deer during his recent hunting trip in the Rangeley region, the game being secured at Middle Dam. Natives of that section who have been hunting all their tives declared it was the first deer of the sort they ever saw.—Kennebec Journal.

Nebraska News Notes.

GENEVA—The funeral of Mrs. H. Curtis, mother of County Attorney A. D. Curtis.

GRAND ISLAND—The old frame store of this city, continues.

Weloping daily and many homes now display the red flag.

Hard Tible No. 16, Improved to Wylle B. Mayer, traveling representative for the wholesale shoe firm of Batterhali & Wittingham of St. Joseph, Mo. Rev. W. A. Mulligan officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Mayer are prominent in social circles, and largely attended. There was a musical largely attended an address by J. H. Grovenor of Aurora, Neb., great senior sagamore. A banquet their home in Lincoln.

GRAND ISLAND—The work of a set of burglars, thieves and thugs that seems suddenly to have infested this city, continues. was held at the close of the program.

GRAND ISLAND—The old frame store buildings occupied by R. G. Desch as a cigar factory and stand and Mr. Kugler as a shoe store, were destroyed by fire last night, the origin being unknown. The buildings were owned by Robert Frohberg and Mr. Smentowski. Losses are almost complete on both buildings and contents. They are only partially covered by insurance. The total loss is about \$6,000 and the total insurance about \$2,500.

BRATRICE—The bome of Judge L. M. Pemberton was the scene of a pretty home wedding last evening when his daughter,

GRAND ISLAND—The work of a set of burglars, thieves and thugs that seems suddenly to have infested this city, continues. Dr. Weiss was suddenly set upon by a brace of thugs in the residence portion of the city, at 9 o'clock at night, and sand-bagged. He was struck twice and sank to his knees, but was not rendered unconscious. He gave an alarm, whereupon the assailants fied, making for an alley. Dr. McGrath recently had his grip stolen from his buggy and it was later found in the basement of Wilkerson's saloon, the contents all intact, with the exception of a bottle of morphine tables. There is an impression that some of the thugs at work are dope fiends.



The fashions and materials of rings have been infinite in number and diversity. They have been MADE of metals and combination of metals, set with diamonds, rubies, emeralds, sapphires, etc., but the rings of this day are those with CORALS, TURQUOISE MAT-RIX, OPAL MATRIX, JADE and LAPIS LAZULI. Of course, those with DIAMONDS will never be superseded. We have them at \$3,50 and higher.