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The regular circulation of THE SUN for the week ending April 19, 1924, was:
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New Tales by Mr. Henry James.
THE SUN expects to publish at an distant day, in its Sunday edition, a number of new stories from the pen of Mr. HENRY JAMES.

Mr. Morrison's Present Attitude.
Before the tariff bill of the last Congress finally became a law, it was estimated that the reduction in the revenue would amount to little less than thirty-five millions of dollars a year, or, in other words, about three million dollars a month.

The Financial Chronicle has analyzed the working of the new law and tariff law for nine months with some surprising results. The decrease in receipts from internal revenue has been estimated at \$10,000,000 for the first three months, or, in other words, about three million dollars a month.

It will be seen that the decrease in the revenue for the last three of the nine months during which the new tariff law had been in operation was only about a million dollars a month, or twelve million dollars a year instead of thirty-five.

The Morrison bill in its present shape, according to the opinion of its author, will reduce the revenue from twenty-five to thirty millions. But when we look at the enormous complexity of the problem and the previous failure of experts to foretell anything like the true results of a change in the tariff, such predictions become of little practical value.

The Timber Culture Act.
The practical workings of the Timber Culture Act should excite the attention of Congress when the question of revising the laws under which the public domain is disposed of comes up for discussion.

The Average Comfort.
Despite the complaints of commercial depression which we have heard so constantly during the last two or three years, there are many evidences that the mass of the people of the city are in circumstances of comparative comfort.

The Increase of Insanity and its Causes.
The question which has been so much discussed of recent years as to whether insanity is really on the increase in civilized countries is answered in the affirmative by a writer in the April number of the Fortnightly Review.

More Deficiencies.
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past periods of suffering from falling markets or business stagnation. There has been no such serious increase in mercantile failures. Money is cheap, and the rates for commercial paper are low.

The sufferers are chiefly stock operators, who have been obliged to mark down the fancy prices of their holdings from the figures of three years ago.

It is said that only a hand-to-mouth business is now doing. But that is a very safe and normal sort of business. The actual growth of numbers, he says, "is continuous and regular, as if influenced by some inscrutable force."

The Dynamite Gun.
The experiments with the new dynamite gun which have been going on for several weeks at Fort Hamilton are interesting and important.

Many attempts have been made to substitute dynamite for gunpowder, in shells; but the difficulty of carrying a sufficient quantity of the explosive has been the chief obstacle.

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The large fees of the assistant attorneys and the costly mileage and fees of the witnesses and jurors in the Star route cases had been mostly paid before the beginning of the present fiscal year.

Small Chance for Keifer's Re-election.
SPRINGFIELD, O., April 17.—Ex-Speaker Keifer arrived at his home in this city yesterday, to remain until the 20th, before returning to his district.

Mr. Anthony Comstock.
We supposed from the published reports of his testimony before the Assembly investigating committee that Mr. ANTHONY COMSTOCK had retracted the statements which he made as a witness with the evident purpose of throwing discredit upon the administration of the District Attorney's office under the late BENJAMIN K. PHELPS.

A Serious Error in Mr. Blaine's Book.
We learn from our esteemed contemporary, the Washington Dispatch, that the sale of the historical biographies of the Maine MACMILLAN, Mr. JAMES GILLESPIE BLAINE, has been seriously impaired by an unfortunate blunder of his publishers.

Draw Piker in the Army Again.
WASHINGTON, April 18.—No little curiosity is being excited concerning the transaction between Ady Piker and Hanker Batesman which led to the re-employment of the former as a private in the 10th Cavalry.

The Blinding Seal Two Men for Englishmen.
Evangelicalism, which has been so long and so loudly proclaimed as a religion of peace and brotherly love, is being shown to be a religion of intolerance and hatred.

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only about thirty per cent. In other words, there were only 974 human beings in the million of inhabitants in 1870, there were 1,834 to the million in 1880.

Our last census, however, throws doubt on the reality of the increase shown in the statistics of this country. "The inference is irresistible," it said, "that either the enumeration of 1880 is excessive or else it was incomplete in 1870."

The writer in the Fortnightly does not dispute the accuracy of the English statistics, but accepts as evidence of a real and steady increase in insanity proportionately to the population. "The actual growth of numbers," he says, "is continuous and regular, as if influenced by some inscrutable force."

The desire of the Harvard Alumni Association of this city to have the commencement programme and the quinquennial catalogue printed in English, instead of Latin, is very laudable.

Mr. EMORY A. STORRS is full of wrath and suspicion because he wasn't elected one of the delegates at large at Mr. LOGAN'S Illinois Convention the other day.

Mr. Alderman SHELLS receives the sympathy of his brethren in the Board and their kind words are no doubt a source of consolation to him in his late misfortune.

The explanation given by Mr. Alderman DUFFY, though less subtle, rests upon a broad fact in human nature, and Aldermen are peculiarly human.

The mind-cure is the most recent ripple of popular insanity which agitates Boston. It is a new phase of the same mental derangement which has been the cause of the outbreak of Buddhism which has been cured among fashionable young men in New York.

What is truly of the Navy Department is also equally true of other departments. Loose accountability and squandering have been encouraged by a standing surplus in the Treasury.

It is a pity that the public domain is being sold in such a haphazard manner. The Government is selling it in small parcels, and without any adequate idea of the nature of the territory which would be included in the workings of such a general law.

Despite the complaints of commercial depression which we have heard so constantly during the last two or three years, there are many evidences that the mass of the people of the city are in circumstances of comparative comfort.

There is also a decrease in the amount of crime, and it is largely due to the circumstance that the people are getting on very comfortably on the average.

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