MINNEAPOLIS.

FRIDAY IS THE DATE.

Then the Press Club Will Present Its Star Entertainment.

The people who will be so fortunately far-sighted as to go to the Lyceum theater next Friday afternoon will see a stage entertainment the equal of which cannot be seen for another year. The entertainment will be given under the auspices of the Minneapolis Press club. This particular date, Oct. 14, has been selected because that week the companies representing the cream of the Northwestern dramatic season will be playing in the Twin Cities. Press club entertainn.ents are noted for their excellence, and the coming entertainment will add to that reputation. The order of the programme has not been fully arranged. Below is given a list of the component parts of it.

Danz's orchestra will open the programme promptly at 2:15 with the beautiful overture from "Semiramide." President W. B. Chamberlain will address the audience. The Bijou orchestra will play the "Reporter's Patrol," a descriptive piece specially arranged for the occasion and illustrative of a reporter's "run." A scene from "The Operator," a railroad train crossing the stage at full speed, said to be the most realistic piece of stage work ever seen, will follow. Four members of Charles Frohman's "The Lost Paradise" company contribute a special production of "In Honor Bound," long one of the most successful one-act pieces in Rosina Vokes' repertory. Forest Robinson, Merriam Bruce, Miss Esther Lyons and Miss Arline Adams will be in the cast. Another feature will be the balcony scene from "Romeo and Juliet," by Julia Marlowe, the most accomplished of all American Shakespearian actresses, Robert Lober and Mrs. M. A. Pennoyer. Bubbling, sparkling Nellie McHenry will introduce a novel specialty, a dance to the "Shadow Song" from "Dinorah." J. H. Bradbury, of Miss McHenry's "A Night at the Circus" company, will give a recitation. Miss Fanny Cohen, of "The Lost Paradise" company, will sing, Frank Dayton, of the same company, will recite, and George W. Neville, also of Frohman's company, will contribute the monologue "A Lucid Moment." Frank Latona, of the Palace Museum, will introduce a novel musical act. Stereopticon views, good ones, on local topics will also be introduced. The programme will close before 5 o'clock with an allegorical representation, having the reporter for a central figure.

The rooms on either side the foyer will be converted into flower booths, presided over by the ladies of the various dramatic companies.

The sale of seats will open this morning at Dyer's music store, not Lyceum theater, as has been erroneously announced. Seats may be reserved at the same time. Boxes and loges have already been engaged by the following persons: Thomas Lowry, Charles A. Pillsbury, R. B. Langdon, J. C. Scallen, A. C. Haugan, Jacob Litt, Col. John T. West, Loren Fletcher, George E. Ledgerwood and J. J. Heinrichs, W. H. Eustis, J. C. Haynes, J. W. Lawrence, W. G. Nye and Judge Elliott, the Republican committee, and Frank M. Nye.

FOOT BALL AT THE "U".

Succeeding Games Will Be Played on the Campus.

A mass meeting of the students was held on the steps of the Law building Saturday morning after chapel to decide as to whether the coming foot ball game should be played at the base ball park, as heretofore, or on the university campus, and the decision of the students was unanimously in favor of the campus. The owners of the ball park have demanded 20 per cent of the gate receipts, while they charge others only $35 for the use of it. Another point that influenced the decision of the students is that the baseball park is fifty feet short of the regulation foot ball grounds and the Ann Arbor team, in a telegram received yesterday morning, said they wanted to play on a full-length field. As the campus is not fenced in special arrangements will have to be made. A barbed-wire fence will be put up on three sides of the campus, and on the other side, that toward Pillsbury hall, a grand stand will be built, which will effectually shut off the view from that side. On University avenue, which runs alongside of the campus, a wall of carriages will be interposed. All spectators will be compelled to wear their tickets in their hats, and all those not having tickets thus exposed will be forced to leave the field. It is also thought that the holding of the games on the university campus will cause more enthusiasm among the students, and perhaps lead more of the gentler sex to be present. The game of foot ball between Ann Arbor and Minnesotas, to be played one week from tomorrow, will be the greatest game of foot ball ever played in the Northwest. The "U" team is hard at work. Two new men have begun practice with the foot ball players during the past week—Gunn, of the "medics," who played base ball last spring, and Shepherd, of the academical department.

"GIVES IT OUT COLD."

County Auditor Ledgerwood Says the Journal Falsifies.

Saturday night the Journal gave currency to another absolutely false statement. It said:

"The county auditor gives it out cold that he does not propose to place upon the county tickets that will be used in the city the name of the candidates for county superintendent of schools, and from this decision may come a very interesting legal tangle after the election is over."

County Auditor Ledgerwood says that he has never said a word to any one on that point. He has never considered the point. He has told no one that the names of the candidates for county superintendent of schools will not be placed on the city ticket. He has given no one any authority to say anything of the kind. He will investigate this point before he "gives it out cold" that the names of those candidates will not appear on the city tickets. And that is all that Mr. Ledgerwood does "give out cold," as yet—a complete denial of everything the Journal has said.

As a matter of fact, the law specially provides that the names of the candidates for county superintendent of schools shall not be placed on the county ticket. The effort to have them placed there is a Republican trick, they having given up all hope of electing Candidate Henry in the county.

Oct. 16, at 2:30 p. m., at the soldiers' home, Minnehaha Falls, there will be held a union song service by the G. A. R. and W. R. C., of St. Paul and Minneapolis.

FOR THROAT AND LUNG complaints, the best remedy is AYER'S Cherry Pectoral In colds, bronchitis, la grippe, and croup, it is Prompt to Act sure to cure.

SIX HUMAN SKULLS.

They Are Found by a Reporter in Simon Neill's Cottage,

Wrapped in a Newspaper and Hidden Underneath the Floor.

Young Frank Hazleton Is Wanted Badly by Miss Celia Rivets.

"Grosse Isle," by Ald. Gray—Another Fatal Railroad Accident.

A letter was received by the GLOBE last week from a resident of Pierce City, Mo., asking if there were any further particulars to relate regarding the discovery of a convict's suit and a number of human skulls found in the cottage of Simon Neill, who was sent to Stillwater for robbing a store in Duluth. The writer of the letter stated that a Simen Neill had once lived in Pierce City, and that a number of yeors ago he eloped with the wife of a prominent farmer and went to Mexico. He was afterwards, the letter says, sent to the state prison of Louisiana for manslaughter, and it is supposed he escaped after serving a portion of his time. Whether this Simon Neill referred to in the letter from Pierce City is the same man who was sent to Stillwater through the skillful manipulation of Inspector Hankinson, of this city, the GLOBE is unable to state. The inspector, however, is of the opinion that the two are one and the same, for he is certain Neall was from the South. Another visit was paid to the cottage yesterday by a reporter for the GLOBE, with the result that the skulls were found.

A thorough search of the cottage was made. Under the floor, wrapped in a lot of old and dirty newspapers, were the missing skulls. They were hauled out one by one and placed side by side in the doorway, where the wind was given a chance to sough through the eyeless sockets and the earless heads. There were six of them, and all but one were perfect specimens. This one was a little, dried-up affair, with a narrow forehead and a curtailed cerebellum. It was evidently the skull of a full-grown man, and a red-headed one, too.

On the top of the skull had dried a portion of the scalp, and with it a tuft of bright red hair. It looked ghastly, did this red-haired skull.

The other five skulls were well cleaned and as brown as berries. This was no doubt due to the fact that they had been kept in the oven of the stove previous to hiding them under the floor. Where the skulls came from, however, in the first place is as much of a mystery as ever, and it will probably never be solved. Among the lot of other bones found by the reporter yesterday was the skull of a dog. It was nicely cleaned and as white as the driven snow. If Neill cleaned the ghastly things he evidently knew his business. Inspector Hankinson stated yesterday that Neill was suspected of being implicated in many of the burglaries which occurred in this city about six months ago. The robbery of a Swedish church in the Eighth ward was traced to him but could not be proven against him. There is little doubt that Neill, whoever he is, has been, and is, a pretty tough customer. As soon as he is released from Stillwater an effort will be made to discover who and what he is. He is known to have had a pal, but all trace of him has been lost.

CELIA RIVETS' ROMANCE

It Ends in a Warrant for the Arrest of Her Lover.

Frank Hazleton is pretty well known about the city. He fell heir to some property some time ago, and has devoted his time to the spending of it ever since. F. A. Parker, of Parker & Co., is his uncle, and A. H. Hall, the attorney, his guardian. Last week Mrs. Rivets, who lives at 58 Thirteenth street south, called at police quarters in company with her daughter Celia. She told a pitiful tale to the chief of police, and asked for the arrest of young Hazleton. Her daughter was ruined, and Hazleton must either marry her or go to jail. The prominence of all the parties and the manner in which Celia Rivets had been ruined, according to her mother, renders the case something of a local sensation. A warrant was sworn out Saturday at the office of the county attorney, and Inspector Hoy was given the case to look up. The inspector declines to give the details of the story, but the warrant is sufficient for the facts. The charge against young Hazleton is a grave one, though he is not here to answer to it, having left by the light of the moon about three weeks ago.

Celia Rivets left her home and was not found by her mother until a week ago. She had been stopping at the Brunswick hotel, under the care of Attorney Hall, who was acting in the capacity of Hazleton's guardian. Every effort was made to induce Celia to leave the city until her trouble was at an end, but she refused unless Hazleton would first marry her. A week ago last Saturday Mr. Hall also left the city, and on the following Monday he sent the following note to an employe of the hotel:

"Tell Celia, in room 14, that Dr. Perkins will come Monday to take her to Excelsior."

Celia said last night that she did not know whether he came for her or not. In all events she would have refused to go with him. She was seen last night by a reporter and gave all the facts in the case. They will be brought out when the case comes to trial, provided young Hazleton is induced to come back again. Mrs. Rivets is heart-broken over her daughter's disgrace, and intends pushing the matter to the fullest extent. She is a widow, and about a year ago her only son was drowned in Lake Harriet.

GROSSE ISLE.

Ald. Gray Writes a Description of the Famous Island.

Ald. Gray, as a member of the health board, visited with the other members the Eastern and Canadian quarantine ports. He was so struck with Grosse isle that he has written an excellent article, giving a description of the famous island and the manner in which the inhabitants live and the work of the quarantine officials is accomplished. The following is a brief extract, the lack of space forbidding the publication of the entire article:

"Grosse Isle (Grose eel.) The importance of this point to our city and state and to the whole Northwest has, it seems to me, not been fully realized. It is the inlet to the great northern highway of immigration to our country by a large number from Northern Europe. At this time, when danger lurks in the baggage of immigrants, in cargoes of rags, and in anything and everything that has been exposed in infected ports, it may be of interest for the reading public to become better acquainted with this romantic and historic isle. When we arrived at Quebec, although our papers were from high sources, both United States and Canadian, there seemed to be a reluctance on the part of the mayor of Quebec and other local and provincial officers to allow us to visit Grosse Isle. However, a telegram to Dr. Montizambert, superintendent of quarantine, brought the reply, 'Shall be pleased to see you,' and stated where his boat would be the next morning to convey us to the isle.

"Grosse Isle is situated thirty-one miles below Quebec. It is of slate rock formation with very little soil, but nearly all covered with a varied growth of trees both deciduous and evergreen. It is five miles from the shore on one side and twelve on the other and a mile and a half from the fairway ship course. There are a large number of resident employes, each family having their cottage and allowed to keep two cows for their own use, the superintendent using the milk for the patients in the hospital when needed.

"One of the most remarkable things noticed by me was the perfect discipline at the station, a discipline plain to be seen, borne and held by the employes by the utmost respect and unbounded confidence which they had for their superior officer. While watching the long, smoking rows of rags, I asked:

"Dr. Montizambert, who pays for these rags?" He smilingly replied: "I don't know, the lawyers may fight over that, my business is to keep you people free of cholera, and if I knew of no other way of disinfecting the ship I should burn her."

"Passing from the burning rags on our way to the disinfecting wharf our attention was called to a monument, which called up a train of sad, historical facts connected with the Irish famine, for there were laid 5,426 of Erin's sons and daughters, victims of typhus fever, all inside of three months, in the never-to-be-forgotten year of '47."

"We were also shown a Catholic and then the Episcopal chapels, and the residences of the chaplains, for, be it known, the government looks to the spiritual as well as the physical needs of the unfortunates who may be cast upon the shores of this isle.

The hospitals, detention houses for suspects, fumigating and disinfecting apparatus for ship's and immigrant's baggage, the report of the committee to the health department has fully described.

"In the building a short distance from the wharf were 160 boys, who had been picked up on the streets of London. Each one had been furnished with his little box of clothing, their passage paid and a home found for each of them in the provinces. I have often thought what a bright, new world it must seem for these lads transferred from the narrow, pent-up streets of London to the pure air and broad expanses of North America.

"The report of the committee tells of the steamers Challenger and the Druid, and the work they accomplished there. I wish to note here that the Druid had only been in service six days; that the disinfecting apparatus on the wharf had been at work less time, so that a week previous to our visit Grosse Isle was totally unprepared for cholera. In the superintendent's office is a telegraph instrument communicating by cable to the outside world; also telephone wires to all points on the island. The evening spent with Dr. Montizambert was of the greatest interest. He told how for twenty-six years he had lived at this point; how he had made scientific sanitation his life study; showed us his drawings for his improved bioxide of sulphur fumigator for ships, and other interesting devices."

TURNER'S THIRTEEN.

The Colored Orator Ran Foul of the Fatal Number.

J. Milton Turner, the colored orator, spent yesterday in looking over Minneapolis and entertaining the numerous delegations of Democrats that called to see him. Mr. Turner has traveled a good deal this fall in the West, and has observed the political situation carefully. He says that in Illinois, even, the Democrats have a fighting chance of electing the electoral ticket.

Mr. Turner had an amusing experience in the way of an encounter with superstition on his way up here. On the train he had to write some dispatches concerning engagements in Michigan. A gentleman with whom he had made friends on the train was assisting him. One dispatch contained just thirteen words. The man frantically besought Mr. Turner to either add one word or cut off one.

"I'm sure you'll have bad luck during all the remainder of the trip if you send thirteen words," said this man.

Just to amuse himself with the superstitious wight Mr. Turner sent the thirteen-word dispatch. He is glad that his superstitious friend left the train shortly after, else he would have been subjected to some chaffing. Directly after sending that thirteen-word message Mr. Turner found he had missed connections and could not keep his engagement in Minneapolis. At Albert Lea he was kept up until 2 o'clock in the morning and had to rise again at 4 to take the train for Minneapolis. He was called at 4, rose, and found that his train was an hour and a half late. When he reached Minneapolis he was attacked by a chronic malady. And there you are. Mr. Turner is not superstitious, but some people would be under the circumstances.

HE LED CAVALRY.

Gen. W. W. Averill Here Inspecting Soldiers' Homes.

One of the most famous cavalry leaders of the late war was a visitor in Minneapolis Saturday, Gen W. W. Averill, of Bath, N. Y. He arrived in Minneapolis Saturday morning, and was immediately taken in hand by Mayor Winston, Capt. D. M. Gilmore and Maj. Henderson. They showed him the city, and then went with him down to the soldiers' home. Gen. Averill comes to Minneapolis as the assistant inspector general of soldiers' homes. Gen. Averill has always been prominently connected with soldiers' homes. At his home in Bath, N. Y., he has under his eye one of the largest, handsomest and best managed homes for soldiers and sailors that can be found in the country. Gen. Averill says that the homes for veterans are improving every year. Better buildings are being constructed, and they are being better managed. He gives it as his opinion, and his opinion is supported by what he has seen at the home where he lives, that the greatest evil in the management of the homes is allowing the veterans pensions. They have everything they want in the homes, and they often use the pension money for improper purposes. Last year the government paid $1,000,000 in pensions to the inmates of soldiers' homes.

Smith for Alderman.

The delegates from the Eighth ward to the late Democratic city convention met at Democratic headquarters Saturday afternoon and unanimously nominated H. S. Smith for alderman. There was no difference of opinion in the convention. It was deemed best to nominate a candidate for alderman and the one choice was Smith. Mr. Smith stands high in the Eighth and will be elected.

"A Night At the Circus."

Nellie McHenry is brighter, livelier, more sparkling than ever. Fun bubbles from her magnetic personality. One glance at her beaming face, and her audience is on good terms with her. She never for a moment lets them forget that she is on the stage, and they wouldn't forget it if they could. In "A Night at the Circus," presented at the Bijou yesterday, her talents find greater play than in any production in which she was ever seen in Minneapolis. All through the first two acts of the farce the fun is a constant stream, without even a reef of dullness. In the last act, the scene being the dressing tent of a circus, the stream becomes a torrent of mirth, to the rush of which the audience is forced to completely surrender itself. Miss McHenry has surrounded herself with a company of capable people. John Webster, Ben Lodge, J. H. Bradbury and W. H. Mack are all prominent. Thomas O'Brien is a wonderful acrobat. Misses Helen Byron, Henrietta Byron and Eunice Rennie do some remarkably clever and beautiful dancing. The farce is well besprinkled with good musical interruptions, and is, altogether, one of the best shows seen at the Bijou this season.

BEECHAM'S PILLS Cure SICK HEADACHE. 25 Cents a Box. OF ALL DRUGGISTS.

To Build a Town.

The Minneapolis Improvement Company Northeast is getting ready for business. It is the intention of the company to build up a big manufacturing suburb in Northeast Minneapolis on the Lowry tract. It begins with a capital of $2,000,000 and with the names of some of the most solid citizens in the city behind it. President, Thomas Lowry; vice president, J. S. Pillsbury; secretary, F. G. James; treasurer, A. Y. Davidson, and J. Frank Conklin constitute the first board of directors. The company has 1,100 acres of land just north of Thirty-third street, one and one-half miles long by a mile wide. Nearly all the ground lies high. The manufacturing sites will be on the lowest ground near the railroads. Connections will be made with the Soo, the Great Northern and the Northern Pacific. Central avenue is laid out through the tract. The land is now being laid out in streets. A feature of the plat is the provision for parks.

In Honor of Columbus.

The special committee of the board of education appointed to consider the matter of the schools taking part in the celebration of the 21st of October, met in the rooms of the board yesterday. It is intended that the pupils in the lower grades, up to the Fifth, shall meet in the morning at their respective schools and take part in appropriate exercises. In the afternoon the exercises for the larger pupils, including those of the high school, will meet. It is hoped that a speaker can be provided for each of the schools. The old soldiers will also be invited to participate in the exercises. The idea of a civic parade on that day has been abandoned. The board will meet tomorrow and take action on this plan.

Third Ward Tammany.

Up in the Third ward the Democrats are Democrats, and they are perfecting an organization on a plan that has been tried and found to work elsewhere. Yesterday they completed the organization of a Tammany hall up there in the Third. M. Breslaner is president of the organization and M. W. Meagher one of the vice-presidents. The club is all right so far as finances are concerened, for Jay Gould is treasurer. John Lyons holds the most important office in the organization, sergeant-at-arms. No one gets in who does not belong there. The organization has an executive committee of one from each precinct. It expects to make the Third ward solidly Democratic for all time.

National Congregational Council.

The national council of the Congregational churches will be held in this city beginning next Wednesday, at the Plymouth Congregational church. This meeting of the council will be the first ever held west of the Mississippi river and the third ever held outside the New England states. The number of delegates entitled to seats is 800, and it is expected that 600 will be in attendance. The national council is a representative body, though it has only advisory powers and not ecclesiastical. Among the matters of interest to be considered will be temperance and evangelization in the great cities. Matters appertaining to the missionary work will also be considered.

Robbed His Roommate.

Inspector James Doyle yesterday arrested a man named John Turner, and locked him up at the central station on the charge of larceny. Turner has been stopping at a hotel on Washington avenue south. He had a roommate who was from Dakota, and who had more money than did Turner. This condition of affairs did not suit Turner, so he robbed his roommate and spent the money.

He Injured His Leg.

James Colville, a driver for Miller Bros., met with a serious accident yesterday afternoon. He was seated on his wagon, and when near the Backus saw mill one of the wheels became wedged in between a post and one of the mill buildings. Colville's right leg was caught between the wheel and post and nearly torn off. He was taken to his home at 817 Ninth avenue southeast, and it is likely the limb will have to be amputated.

UNIVERSITY ITEMS.

Things are beginning to be lively in fraternity circles. Some people were wondering if the goat was lost, but it now appears he has only been browsing "in pastures green." The Psi U's led off with an initiation of six men, Ben C. Taylor, Fred H. Curtis, Edgar Barton, Maxwell Joslin, Henry L. Donahower. The initiation ceremony was followed by a banquet. Judge Isaac Atwater officiated as toastmaster. Next the Chi Psi's goat performed his functions upon the following men of '96: Erastus Smith, Sewall Andrews, Frank Bestor, Fred Spear, Charles Waller, Cleve Hastings. Alpha Phi initiated Misses Lotta Robb, Josephine Hungerford, Alice Robbins, Grace Clark, Ada Hillman, Elizabeth Goodwood, Jessie Long, Frances Crouch. The initiation occurred Monday afternoon. Sigma Chi has initiated George Rhome, Bert Bugon and Fred Erb, and the Phi Gamma Deltas, Ben Wells, '95; C. A. Ballard, '94; Frank E. Reidhead, '93. The Delta Gamma's closed the week with an initiation Saturday night, receiving the following young ladies: Misses Kate Bollinger, of St. Paul: Nell Devens, Mankato: Bessie Beach and Alice Butler, Faribault: Zua and Leila Clough, Grace Tennant and Florence Graham, of Minneapolis.

The senior class met at the fourth hour yesterday to continue the election of officers. It succeeded in electing five officers in much less time than was necessary for the election of a president. The officers are: Vice president, Miss Lillian Fuller; secretary, Miss Lou Folsom; treasurer, William Angus; chairman class day committee, Ben C. Taylor; chairman literary committee, Miss Louise McCoy.

In the tennis tournament the contest for first place closed Wednesday afternoon. Over twenty men entered, and the playing was in general excellent. Cook and Wallace played the finals, Wallace winning the championship.

The Henneau Literary society is in a flourishing condition. Twenty-seven new names were proposed for membership at the last meeting. Delta Sigma seems to have fallen into a state of innocuous desuetude.

The S. C. A. lecture course was to begin this afternoon with a lecture by President Northrop, but on account of the funeral of Milton Rex, which occurs this afternoon, the lecture will be postponed.

A mass meeting of the athletic association was called yesterday, after chapel, to consider the advisability of playing football on the campus. It was decided to play on the campus.

A number of the Y. W. C. A. met at 1:30 yesterday to organize a class in Bible study. President Northrop will lead the class, which will meet at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoons.

The Y. W. C. A. have set apart next Thursday as the day of prayer for young women. Special exercises will be held at the university.

At the engineers' meeting yesterday afternoon Prof. Shepardson gave an address on "Electrical Education for Engineers."

The new Phi Psi chapter house will soon be finished.

Paddy's Wit.

Harper's Young People.

A good story is told of the Irish servant of a naval commander, who had the misfortune one day to let a teakettle fall overboard. In fear and trembling he rushed ao his master and cried out to him:

"Plaze, yer honor, can anything be said to be losht whin ye know where it is?"

"Certainly not," replied the officer. "Why?"

"Why, thin, yer honor, ye may tink the taykettle is losht, but it ain't, sorr. I know where it is, sorr. It's at the bottom of the ocean, sorr!"

HOW WE GROW.

The Increase of Population in the Last Decade.

Census Bulletin No. 194, recently issued, gives among other figures those which show, for each state, the native white population of the United States, but it does not mention the total amount of that increase since 1880, or the rate of it. The total native white population in 1880 was 36,843,291; in 1890, 45,862,023—an increase of 9,018,732, which was at the rate of 24.5 per cent. That bulletin groups the states in certain divisions—North Atlantic division, South Atlantic division, etc.

It would perhaps be more interesting to separate the states into two groups—the one containing the whole of the Southern states, all the old states and including the District of Columbia, and the other containing all the rest of the country, states and territories. By making such a separation we find the following results: The North—Total native white population in 1890, 31,065,134; in 1880, 24,918,463; increase, 6,146,671; which is at the rate of 24.7 per cent. The South—Total native white population in 1890, 14,796,889; in 1880, 11,924,828; increase, 2,827,061; which is at the rate of 24.1 per cent.

Taking the whole North together and the whole South, the rate of native white increase would appear to be remarkably uniform. There is one important element, however, which should be taken into consideration, and that is the very large number of whites who are the children of foreign parents—one or both parents foreign—and the very small number of that class in the South. This element being allowed for, it is evident that the rate of increase of native born population, children of native parents, is very considerably greater in the South than in the North—how much greater some later bulletin of the census may show.

The total white population, foreign and native together, was as follows:

	North.	South.	Total.
1890	39,434,533	15,549,357	54,983,890
1880	30,824,717	12,578,253	43,402,970
Increase	8,609,816	2,971,104	11,580,920

The percentage of increase of white population being, for the whole country, 26.7 per cent—27.9 per cent at the North and 23.6 per cent at the South.

The colored population — meaning those of African descent—is shown by Bulletin No. 199, issued only last week, to be as follows in the two census years:

	North.	South.	Total.
1890	580,888	6,889,152	7,470,040
1880	481,540	6,099,253	6,580,793
Increase	99,348	789,899	889,247

The rate of increase was 20.6 per cent at the North, and 13 per cent at the South—13.5 per cent for the whole country taken together. By the same bulletin, the total of Chinese, Japanese and civilized Indian population of the United States—not including Indians still under tribal relations—is shown to be 168,320 in 1890, against 172,020 in 1880. The Chinese had increased from 105,465 to 107,475, 1.9 per cent, and the Indians had decreased from 66,407 to 58,806, 11.5 per cent.

QUEER IDEAS OF SNAKES.

The Superstitions Among Savage Tribes Regarding These Reptiles.

The African cobra is regarded somewhat reverently by the natives of that country, who once a year kill a cobra de capello and hang its skin to the branch of a tree, tail downward. Then all the children born during the last year are brought out and made to touch the skin. This, their parents think, puts them under the serpent's protection.

The cobra de capello divides with the horned viper of Africa the questionable honor of being the "worm of the Nile," to whose venomous tooth Cleopatra's death was due.

The Kaffirs use the venom of this snake's cousin, the puff adder, to poison their arrows, and when they have any small quantity left they swallow it, having a theory that it will protect them from the bad effects of future bites.

The snake tribe of the Punjab say that the bites of snakes do not hurt them, and if they find a dead serpent, they dress it in clothes and give it a superb funeral. Some one has discovered that the leaves of a bitter aromatic plant, aristolochia indico, if bruised into a pulp, mixed with a little water and swallowed, will often cure the bite of the Indian cobra.

It has been known to cure even when the victim showed no sign of life save warmth of the body, but the most general remedy is the snakestone. Professor Faraday has found this to be made of charred bone. It is applied to a bite, and when it drops off of its own accord the patient is said to be out of danger.

These stones are used also in Mexico. Our own North American Indians will not kill a snake in their path. They hold it in reverence, and although they select great numbers of them to use in their snake dances, they never kill them, but when the ceremony is finished, take them out on the plains and release them.

Some Zuni Indians from New Mexico, with whom I became acquainted, refused to repeat their folklore out of doors for fear the rattlesnakes would hear.

The Avenue Girl.

Detroit Free Press.

Two pretty girls, in all the bravery of their summer toggery, started to walk down Woodward avenue to see the sights, be seen themselves and finish up on a wild, delirious soda-fountain glass of ginger ale.

"It's my treat today," said No. 1, as she turned her impecunious pocket inside out in the search for a dime.

"Let's make it a Jersey treat—you pay for yours and I'll pay for mine," suggested No. 2.

"I've thought of a scheme," suggested her friend. "The one who makes the most bows shall treat. Let's count the people we meet who know us, and count the bows we will have to make. That will be fun."

"All right," answered the other, and they resumed their walk.

It was No. 1 who suggested the scheme, and in a few minutes a gentleman passed the young ladies and raised his hat.

No. 2 bowed, but No. 1 looked as unconscious as a girl of marble.

"Why, you know Charlie G——, don't you?" asked No. 2.

"Was that Charlie? But he bowed to you," answered No. 1 meekly.

Bow—bow—bow—they passed innumerable acquaintances, but never once did the blonde-banged head of No. 1 incline herself. Her friend tumbled to the situation at last.

"You've won," she said; "come in and have a wowsy, all-around ginger ale, for you've earned it; but you have cut every friend you have in the city."

"Oh, it'll be fun making up," answered No. 1 as she clutched her empty pocketbook and thanked her wits for getting her out of a scrape.

A Hard Thing to Do.

Peoria Herald.

One of the hardest things to do is to persuade a man that his wages have been raised when he isn't getting any more money. That's the job that protection editors have tackled.

He Knew How.

Chicago Tribune.

"Yes, it's rather a high-priced set,' assented the clerk at the furniture store, carelessly. "That's what Mrs. Chugwater remarked when she wa here the other day. She said she woul like to have it, but couldn't afford it Over here on the other side of the room now, I think we have—"

"I'll take the set," said Mrs. Billus with decision.

Faults vs. Virtues.

New York Weekly.

Mrs. Suburb—Women are a perfect nuisance to sit behind on a railway train. They are bound to have the window up.

Mr. Citiman—Yes, but they are a perfect blessing to walk behind on the street. They don't smoke.

The Proper Place.

Chicago Inter-Ocean.

Lady—Bridget, I suppose you know how to take care of cut glass, don't you?

Bridget—Indade, ma'am an' I do. I'm always perticler to put all the broken glass in the ash bin.

The Beauty of It.

Indianapolis Journal.

Mrs. Wickwire—Just think! Old Mr. Grimes and the widow Blinks were sweethearts in their younger days, but quarreled, and now that they have nearly reached the age of seventy years they are going to get married. Isn't that beautiful?

Mr. Wickwire—I don't see where the beauty of it comes in.

Mrs. Wickwire—Why, just here, dear. They are not likely now to live long nough to get tired of each other.

Seeking an Opportunity.

Harper's Bazar.

He—I have something to say to you, but there are so many people in the room I am afraid I won't have the chance.

She—Wait a moment, and I will ask one of the young ladies to play on the piano.

Not His Fault.

Puck.

Parent (trembling with emotion)—You are audacious!—you are heartless! She is my only child!

Suitor (wishing to pacify)—But, my dear sir, you—er—can't blame me for that.

From the German.

Texas Siftings.

Drill Sergeant (to awkward recruit)—You unmitigated rhinoceros, if you don't quit flinging your legs around as if you were trying to catch flies with them, I'll hit you a whack on the top of your head that will knock the birds at the antipodes out of their nests.

AT TWILIGHT.

When the golden glimmer
Dimmer grows and dimmer,
And a shadow's tremor
Shifts across the wall,
Touch the old chords brightly,
Let them tremble slightly
Into tune, and lightly
Tender themes recall.

Then thy soul surrender
To the soulful splendor
Of the music tender
One with thee to be,
Binding smiles together
With an airy tether,
Love's enchanted weather,
Pain's euthanasy.

Let your dark eyes leaning
Up to mine their meaning,
Diviner glory gleaning
From the seraph strain,
Search mine own, revealing
Passion's dewy feeling,
Droop while I am kneeling,
Draining them again.

Ah, the strain is dying,
And I hear you sighing,
And your hand is lying
Softly in my hair;
And your lips are bending
On mine own and lending
Ecstasy transcending,
Aught I know or care.

Now the purple glimmer
Dimmer grows and dimmer,
And the shadow grimmer
Spreading o'er the wall;
Hushed the music's beating,
Souls in kisses meeting,
Love and love repeating,
While the plovers call.

—John Myers O'Hara in Indianapolis Journal.

An open letter to women. No. 3.

Thurlow, Penn.

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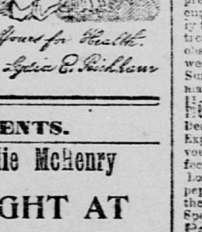
Mrs. L. Travis.



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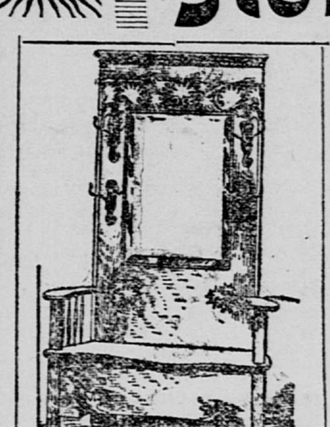

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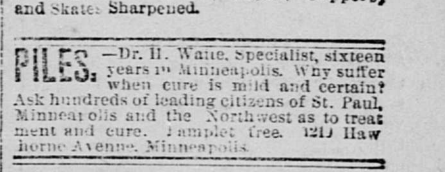

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