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TUESDAY EVENING, NOV. 17, 1896.

In 1801 one person of every three in the United Kingdom professed the Romish faith; now only one of every seven belongs to that communion.

MATHEMATICAL calculations show that an iron ship weighs 27 per cent less than a wooden one, and will carry 115 tons of cargo for every 100 tons carried by a wooden ship of the same dimensions, and both loaded to the same draught of water.

It is not true that the watch and clock factories of Japan are making goods cheaper than those of similar quality in America. They can control their own market in cheap clocks, but they cannot export at a profit. In watches they cannot yet compete successfully in both cheapness and quality with those imported from Switzerland and America.

The pope is very fond of children. A story is told concerning a little English boy who was recently admitted to an audience with his holiness. The pope's secretary invited the boy to kiss the pope's slippers. "We don't kiss people's feet in England," said the little fellow; "but he's a nice old gentleman, and I'll kiss his hand." The pope, who does not speak English, smiled when the remark was translated, and held out his hand to the boy.

NOT SO STRANGE. The Salt Lake Tribune says that Gen. Sikes thinks that "the most dangerous disclosure in the recent election is that there are in New York City 135,000 electors who voted for the anti-American, populist and destructive heresies formulated and promulgated by Bryan."

Is it strange that those voters are there, General? Think of the rich of that city who have no appetites for the rich food which they have in over abundance, and the thousands who do not know where they are going to get bread for their children to-morrow. Think of the rockeries in the shadow of the palaces there! Think of the strong men who have not for months been able to obtain any work! Think of homes where the parents are thinking of the child that died last summer, because it had no shelter from the infernal heat, no ice to cool its lips, no delicacy to tempt back its appetite! Think of the fathers of the 50,000 children who are growing up in ignorance because there are no schoolhouses for them to obtain the rudiments of an education! Think of the squalor of the tenement houses; the degradation of the slums; the eyes that from the depths of poverty look every day upon the displays of wealth! Think of the wrens that are daily smitten by the hawks, and when the full picture fills your mind's eye, you will not wonder any longer that so many were not frightened by threats of panics, not disturbed by cries of anarchy, dishonor and attempted repudiation.

A DOWRY FOR ORPHANS. Where a million or two of the great human family touch elbow while hurrying through this vale of tears, philanthropic schemes that appear ridiculous in the eyes of those who inhabit sparsely settled spots are constantly being evolved, says a special correspondent in the Pittsburg Dispatch. As a rule, these schemes, no matter how odd they seem to people unacquainted with life in large cities, have for their object the betterment of the masses, or a fraction thereof. Of such is a unique organization called the Greater New York German Orphan Dowry society. As the same implies, it is to furnish dowries to German orphan girls on the day of their marriage to a worthy man. The society had its inception in the mind of Lazarus Morgenstern, a generous citizen of large wealth. The society's first step in the direction of giving money to an orphan on her marriage day, will be taken on Washington's birthday, 1897. On that date,

It is the purpose of the society to have married four orphans, and each will receive a dowry of \$100. Sixteen such weddings are to take place within the year, to occur on some anniversary to be selected by the founder of the society or its members.

The society has for its motto "Charity, Tolerance, Generosity." In making these dowry gifts, it is not necessary that young women be inmates of orphan asylums. Any parentless girl may be entitled to the benefits of the association. The dowry will not be restricted to any creed or sect, but it is the desire of the society that each of the four should be a Catholic, a Protestant, a Hebrew girl or the daughter of a free mason. The directorate of the new society will be composed of an equal number of Christians and Hebrews. The marriages in each case will be public. Any kind of religious ceremony desired by the principals will be had. The girls will not be restrained in the selection of a husband, so long as he is worthy. It is the founder's belief that in the course of a few years the number of dowries will be increased, as well as the amount of the endowment. Of course, a good many philanthropic people will decline to accept this scheme seriously; but if they should only realize how far the dowry named goes in Flatland, they might feel like organizing something of the same sort in their balliwick.

HAMPSON-WILSON WEDDING.

Marriage of the Napoleon in Railroad Building.

Joe H. Hampson, who is well-known in Las Vegas, was united in marriage to Miss Blanche Wilson, daughter of Rev. David Wilson, of Washington, D. C., on the 11th inst. The bride, to whom Mr. Hampson has always been first and fast friend, voices the sentiments of this community in wishing the fortunate couple a long and happy life together. The following account of the wedding is taken from the Washington Times:

"Miss Blanche Wilson, daughter of Rev. David Wilson, U. S. A., retired, was married at the family residence on Capitol Hill, at noon, in the presence of a large circle of friends and relatives; the groom being Mr. Joseph H. Hampson, late of Kansas City, Mo., but now located in the City of Mexico. The ceremony took place in the large drawing room of the Wilson residence, which was beautifully adorned with rare palms, trees of white chrysantheums, and white orchids. There were no bridesmaids or ushers. The only attendant of the bride was her small niece, Miss Elsie Byron, who, clad in a picture gown of Nile green silk and carrying a basket of white and green orchids, preceded the bride and groom into the room, to the strains of a mandolin orchestra, which rendered the wedding march.

The father of the bride and Rev. B. J. James, of Baltimore, awaited the coming of the wedding party in the bay window, where the short but impressive ceremony was performed. The window had been transformed into a particularly pretty bower of white and green, which colors were carried throughout the decoration of the entire house.

The bride, who is one of the handsomest young women in Washington, a tall and finely bloomed, looked her best in a trained gown of white satin trimmed in rare duchess lace. Her veil, worn off her face, was fastened with a diamond star, which is a heirloom in her family; her shower bouquet was of lilies of the valley and white orchids.

An informal reception followed the marriage ceremony, and a wedding breakfast was served in the beautifully decorated dining room. Later in the afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Hampson left for a short visit to a friend's country place near Baltimore, where the early days of their honeymoon will be spent. They will make a tour of the northern cities in Mr. Hampson's private car, then go to the City of Mexico, where they will reside at the Hotel Turbide.

Mr. Hampson is the president of the Mexico, Cuernavaca & Pacific railroad, now being constructed from the City of Mexico to the Pacific coast. The bride's going-away gown was a very handsome affair, made of costume or nunter green cloth, with small green velvet hat to match.

Indiana Board of Health. They are making all sorts of fun of the Indiana state board of health, which demand that kissing should cease or else that the lips be disinfected at each contact. While at the same time any quick can practice medicine, in that state, who can buy a pill bag. Here is the latest one on the board: George—Almira, dear. Almira—Do you happen to have your bottle of dis-infecting fluid convenient? George—Here it is, darling. Why? Almira—I want to rub some of it on my lips, sweetheart. I am going to kiss you, my own.

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Some nine or ten patent surveys are to be made on claims near Red River city next week. Four were made last week. It looks as though Taos county is to become the leading mineral producer of the Territory.

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