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## MOST POPULAR NUMBERS.

Seven and Thirteen Are Fixed Upon in the Minds of the Greater Number of Men.

"Ask a man to pick out some number between one and ten, and you can tell him nine times out of ten what number he has selected, though his selection is made mentally," said a man who, according to the New Orleans Times-Democrat, is fond of the old things, "and when you come to think of it, the task of naming the correct number is not a difficult one. In the course of an hour the other day I asked ten men to think of a certain number—any number between one and ten—and I would tell them what number they had fixed their mind on. In nine cases out of ten I was correct, missing it only once. The minds of nine of the persons selected the number seven, and one of them selected nine. It is not difficult to understand why the mind should run to the number seven. Even in the case of the man who fixed his mind on the number nine, he told me when it was all over that his mind had first run to seven, but he quickly changed to nine without knowing just why it was that he changed. Seven is the most prominent figure between one and ten. It is the most popular number in the line, and is associated with more things than any other number, and it is quite reasonable that the mind should light on seven. I made another test the other day with five persons, asking each of them to write some number between one and ten, and give it to a sixth person. When the slips had been handed to the sixth man I said: 'Seven is the number on each of the slips.' "Correct," said the man to whom they had been handed, and the five men were a bit bewildered for the moment by the fact that they had all hit upon the same number, and that I was able to tell what the number was. It would be quite as easy to name a number between 10 and 20, though I have made no tests along this line. I dare say that 13 would be the first number to flash in the mind, simply because it is the most talked of, and the only number between 10 and 20 that has the widest association. So you can tell there is no trick about it, and it doesn't require any knowledge of the occult philosophies."

## EXTENDING BOUNDARIES.

Some of Our Larger Cities Have Annexed Ground Far Into Adjacent Farm Lands.

According to a recently issued census bulletin, the real rank of cities is not always indicated by the order in which they stand in the tables of population. Some great centers have a considerable part of their massed population lying outside the municipal boundaries. Boston is a good example; about 1,200,000 people live in sight of the state house dome, and less than 600,000 of them are governed by the Boston mayor. Other cities have annexed far into the farm lands of the adjacent country, says Youth's Companion.

It is customary to speak of the population of a state, "in proportion to its size." Such a comparison is seldom made of cities, although it might not be uninteresting. Pittsburg, for example, has a population of a third of a million on 18,000 acres of ground; New York's population, little more than ten times as great, spreads over nearly 12 times as many acres.

Chicago was long famous for its annexation habit, but since 1890 New York has annexed much more territory than Chicago's total area. New Orleans has a slightly larger area than Chicago. Each of them covers six times the area of Baltimore.

Washington, which occupies the Maryland part of the ten miles square set aside for a national capital, is a fair-sized city as area goes, for this generation. It may seem small a century hence, although it looked abundantly ample for all the purposes of urban development when laid out.

In the case of cities, as well as of other corporations, consolidation is plainly one of the tendencies of the times. More than one-third of those in the United States have added to their territory by annexation since 1890. Townships and counties are occasionally subdivided, by reason of local interests, but the cities seem to be steadily pushing their boundaries outward. There are some economic reasons for this, but the reason in many cases has been the desire of their inhabitants to make a "good showing."

## In the Right Room.

At the latest of the ladies' clubs a "pets' room," with little stalls for dogs and cats, lemurs and lizards, all the small creatures that a lady finds necessary as companions, is provided.

One of the most enthusiastic members was showing her friends of her own sex over the establishment, and opened the door of the "pets' room" with proper pride.

There, in the center of the room, on two chairs, sat two immaculately clothed young men, grave of face, but with a wicked twinkle in their eyes.

"Don't you know this is the ladies' 'pets' room?" asked the enthusiastic member, with some acerbity.

"That's why we are here," replied the more serious of the two young men, with becoming gravity.—Sporting Times.

## Longevity of Birds.

Small singing birds live from eight to eighteen years. Ravens have lived for almost 100 years in captivity, and parrots longer than that. Fowls live 15 to 20 years. The wild goose lives upward of 100 years, and swans are said to have attained the age of 300. The long life of birds has been interpreted as compensation for the great mortality of their

## NO VERDICT IN BUTT TRIAL.

Senator Must Stand Second Trial as Jury Could Not Agree After Nineteen Hours Deliberation.

Perryville, Feb. 16.—Senator F. O. Butt, charged by indictment of the Pulaski County Grand Jury with giving Senator R. R. Adams a bribe of \$100, will not know his fate until the August term of the Perryville Circuit Court.

After 19 hours' deliberation the jury which heard the evidence in the present case announced to Judge Lea that an agreement was impossible, and at 5:23 o'clock this evening the jurors were discharged.

On the final ballot, seven voted to acquit, five to convict, though on a previous secret vote nine stood for conviction.

## Jonesboro Banquets Committee.

Jonesboro, Feb. 16.—The synodical committee of the Arkansas presbytery which has been in session at various towns over the state, met in Jonesboro today to look into Jonesboro's claim as to the site for the erection of the new female college, which is to be built shortly.

The gentlemen were tendered a banquet last evening at the Warner House, and many warm speeches were made in behalf of the city. A carriage ride over the city was given this morning, and in the afternoon they were entertained at the Elks' Hall. Jonesboro people think they have a good advantage over the other cities that are bidding for the college. As this is the last town in which they have to meet, the decision will likely be given out shortly.

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Mr. P. R. Cook, assisted by Mr. Winn, is now in this city, representing the Inter-State Investment Company of Shreveport, Louisiana. This company has invested \$750,000 in the purchase and improvement of Arlington Heights, an addition adjacent to the city on the west, high in altitude, perfect in drainage, and in every way adapted for a fashionable suburb. Of this tract, the company is placing 645 of the choicest lots on the market and Mr. Cook is meeting with a big success in their sale.

The president of the company is J. S. Handford of Batesville and the secretary Mr. J. A. Watkins of Little Rock, both well known in Newport.

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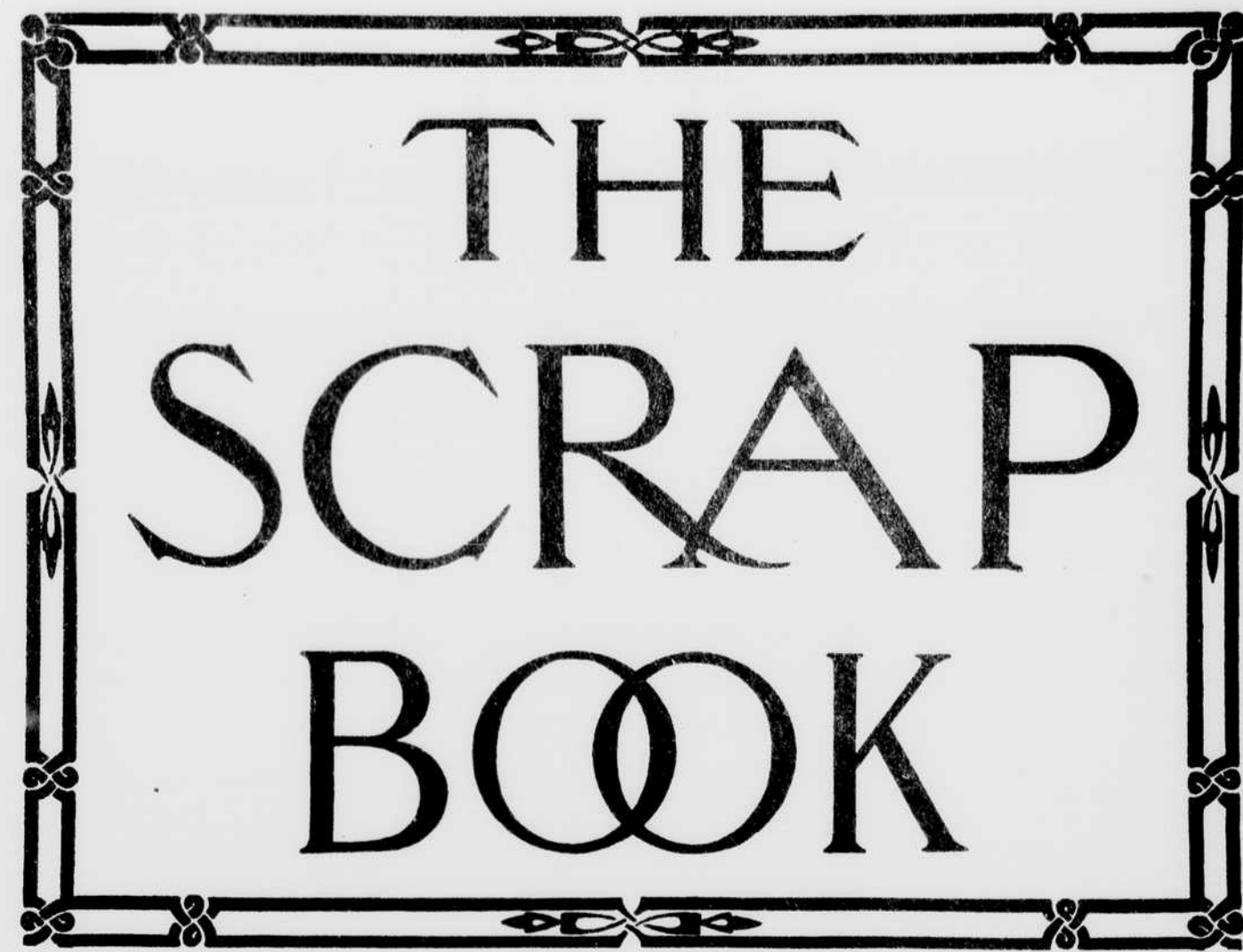
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