

TIMELY TOPICS.

The aggregate steam power in use in the world is at present 3,500,000 horsepower employed in stationary engines, and 10,000,000 in locomotives and marine engines.

The taking of the next United States census will begin June 1, 1880. On that day about 30,000 enumerators will commence their labors.

The islands at the western end of Lake Erie and the neighboring shores of Sandusky bay are largely devoted to the production of grapes and wine.

The taxing district of Memphis is cursed with a large number of decayed and broken wooden pavements.

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Spanish Beauties. To-day, writes a Madrid correspondent of the Baltimore Sun, I was asked by one of the dark-eyed, fascinating, graceful and lovely daughters of the Peninsula if I would ride out to see her friends.

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Large carbuncles are revived, and are with garnets coming to be the fashionable stones.

Incentives to matrimony.—You ought to marry, "Never," "I know the very girl," "Then she is alone," "She is young."

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Fashions in Jewelry.

Very simple jewelry is now worn. The diamond earrings and gold necklaces seen in street cars and with walking sticks during the shoddy period are fast disappearing with the return to simple dressing.

The favorite brooch is the useful simple watch chain, with a simple brooch, and is known as the lace pin, because of the prevailing fashion of wearing lace on the throat and bust.

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plivity. The mother-priests place an arm of each round the neck of bride and bridegroom, and deliver a short address to them on their respective duties.

A Queer Parisian Industry.

I was sitting some time since in a notary's office, when a man of most sordid appearance entered. He surprised me very much, for it is rare to see a tatterdemalion in Paris.

"I have always made it a rule," he snarled, "to have a fifty-thousand-dollar house for myself, and to give as much as I can to charity."

"No, he buys and sells philosophers. But may you not know what a philosopher is?"

"An inquirer into the nature of the under."

"Something for the New Year." The world renowned success of Hostetter's Bitters, and their continued popularity for a century, are strong reasons for their selection.

Fish Killed by Lightning. A correspondent of Land and Water says: A curious incident of the whole of the occupants of a small fish pond being destroyed by a flash of lightning.

A reporter the other day saw four men on a street corner conversing earnestly, and he stopped.

Bridal Costumes of Fernando Po. As with us, the Fernando Po bride is clad in white—not the gauzy, flowing robe, however, but a plating of early paste resembling plaster of paris.

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bird, with its strong beak and talons and propelled by its powerful wings, made a sudden sweep at him, when he discharged his gun, a portion of the shot taking effect in one of the wings.

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