

THE ENGLISH CENSUS SYSTEM.

How the People are Enumerated in Great Britain—The Gradual Perfection of the Machinery, and its Superiority to Our Own.

The glaring defects of the recent enumeration of the people of Philadelphia will naturally excite curiosity as to the census machinery of Great Britain, which enjoys such a high reputation for efficiency.

In Great Britain the first regular census taken was in 1801. The population previous to that time was much in dispute until 1853, when an examination of the parish registers of births, marriages, and deaths was made by the clergy.

In the second census—that of 1811—the same facts were elicited, except that, instead of attempting to ascertain the occupation of each person, the number of families chiefly supported by certain occupations was taken.

In 1821 the ages were ascertained for the first time, classified by five years under twenty and by ten over that age.

In 1831 many improvements were introduced in the census system, with respect to ascertaining the occupations of the people, the whole number of occupations returned being 593.

In 1841 the work of enumeration was transferred to the officers of the Registrar-General of births, marriages, and deaths.

In 1851 still further improvements were effected, inquiries being extended to the marital and family relationships, the number of blind and deaf and dumb, and the statistics of religions and educational institutions.

In 1851, a schedule was given to every occupier of a house or tenement, in the course of the week preceding the 31st of March, and every person to whom such a schedule was delivered was required by act of Parliament, under penalty for wilful default, to fill it up with all the information required.

But little improvement on the system so successfully carried out in 1851 was possible, and therefore there were no material changes in 1861.

Not until Congress sees fit to provide for the same elaborate machinery in this country as in Great Britain can we expect to have an enumeration of the people which will approximate to the truth.

MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC.

The City Amusements. AT THE CHESNUT MAD'LE FANNY JANAUSSCH will appear this evening in the title role of Schiller's tragedy of Mary Stuart.

AT THE ARCH a new comedy entitled The Two Roses, which has achieved considerable success in London and New York, will be produced this evening, with new scenery, appointments, etc.

ADAM FOREPAUGH'S CIRCUS AND MENAGERIE will commence its second week at the corner of Broad and Walnut streets to-day.

AT THE UNIVERSITY STREET OPERA HOUSE a new duet entitled "The Larboard Watch," will be sung this evening by Carnecross and Russell.

THE GERMANIA ORCHESTRA will resume its popular matinee performances at Musical Fund Hall on next Saturday.

ENGLISH OPERA.—A season of English opera will commence at the Academy of Music on November 14, when the combination under the management of C. D. Hess & Co., which includes all the principal members—with the exception of Madame Parepa-Rosa—of the two troupes that were before the public last season, will appear in a round of favorite operas.

CITY ITEMS.

FAST LIVING AND ITS CONSEQUENCES.—When "fast life" has undermined the strength, destroyed the appetite, impaired the digestion, and stolen the hue of health from the cheek—when the hand trembles, the spirits droop, and the whole physical and mental organization languishes, it is possible to repair the evil and restore the disipated system to full health and vigor?

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DIED.—CONNELLY.—At Sing Sing, New York, on Wednesday, the 29th instant, ANNE, wife of Henry Connolly, of Philadelphia, and daughter of the late General Aaron Ward.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

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