

THE SCHOOL POPULATION.

In all the schools of the United States, public and private, elementary, secondary, and higher, there were enrolled in the year 1894 about fifteen and one-half millions of pupils.

Out of this entire number deduct the private and parochial schools of all kinds, elementary, secondary, higher, and schools for art, industry, and business, for defective classes and Indians, and there remain over thirteen and one-half millions for the public school enrollment, or nearly 88 per cent. of the whole.

The transformation of an illiterate population into a population that reads the daily newspaper, and perforce thinks on national and international interests, is the great good accomplished by the free public school system thus far.

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BLOW AT SWEAT SHOPS.

The House Finally Passes the Bill for the Protection of Employees.

The Baker act passed by the Senate to regulate the employment and provide for the safety of persons employed in tenement houses and shops where clothing, cigarettes, cigars and certain other articles are made, and to provide for the appointment of inspectors to enforce the law came up on third reading and final passage on Thursday.

Mr. Bliss pleaded for the passage of the bill in the interest of common humanity. He referred to the sweat shops in our large cities, which will be eradicated under the operations of this new law, and stated that although it would cost something to accomplish this end it would be well worth the cost to wipe out this blot on humanity.

Mr. Dambly, of Montgomery, defended the bill at length, and compared the small number of Deputy Factory Inspectors we have in this State with those of New York and Ohio. In New York, he said, the increase of Deputy Inspectors had resulted in driving the sweat shops into Pennsylvania, and we are compelled to increase the force in order to protect ourselves.

This disposed of the opposition and the bill then passed finally by 163 yeas to 1 nay, Mr. Kerr, of York, voting in the negative.

REV. I. W. HILL.

Pastor Methodist Church, Accord, N. Y., says cancerous diseases can be cured.

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Growing Tulips and Hyacinths.

The most successful growers of tulips and hyacinths advise the following treatment: If bulbs are wished to flower at Christmas, plant in September, writes Nancy Mann Waddle in an exquisitely illustrated article on "The First Flowers," in the April Ladies' Home Journal.

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A WONDERFUL GOBBLER.

The Poultryman Expected Him to Keep Growing After Death.

"Talkin' about turkeys," observed the farmer to the produce man recently, "we raised one a year ago that probably never had his equal in size and weight in the history of the world."

The produce man looked incredulous, but the farmer went on without noticing it:

"When that turkey was hatched he was no bigger than the rest of the brood, but two days later he weighed five pounds, and was sprouting tall feathers. The end of the first week out of the shell saw him a full-fledged bird of a trifle more than ten pounds and still he grew."

The produce man smiled indulgently, echoing the farmer's words:

"Yes, sirree; I never saw anything like it. He was two weeks old to the day when he tipped the beam at thirty-five pounds, and he only seemed to have fairly started, for—"

"Yes, I know," slowly observed the produce man, "for still he grew."

"Grow? Well, I should say so! A week later he had put up another fifteen pounds without impairing his activity or seeming to mind it in the least. He picked up his corn as lively as ever, and still he grew."

There was a sickly smile on the produce man's face, but he made no remark.

"We began to wonder where it was goin' to stop," went on the farmer, "for about this time his appetite, which had always been extraordinary, began to pick up at an alarmin' rate, and we knew he'd just about got his second wind, which meant puttin' on weight more rapidly than ever. It took him just ten days to put up another twenty-five pounds."

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"I suppose he was something like eight weeks old when he reached the 100-pound mark, and quit walking about," continued the farmer.

"But he still grew?" anxiously put in the produce man.

"Never let up for a minute," was the assuring reply. "We became a little anxious about him at this time, on account of the henhouse, which we could see would soon be too small for him to stand up in. Finally, we decided to transfer him to the barn, but we had been a little slow in comin' to a decision, for when we went to remove him he had grown too big to go through the henhouse door, and we had to take out the whole front of the building to accommodate his size."

"And still he grew," ventured the produce man in a weak voice, and with a very painful attempt at a smile.

"Yes, he had more room to spread out in the barn, and went on growin' faster than ever. Very soon it became a question as to how long the barn would last him, and then we decided to kill him. That, as you'll easily guess, was no small task, but we did it—just felled him with a pole-axe as you would an ox, and we managed to give him his death-blow at the third stroke."

"And still he grew," absent-mindedly murmured the produce man.

"Grew nothin'," retorted the farmer, indignantly. "Did you expect him to go 'on growin' forever?"

"Oh, I didn't know," answered the other, somewhat recovering his spirits; "stranger things than that happened to the turkey, if I have not been dreaming."—New York Herald.

Her Little Mistake.

She had attended the ambulance classes and obtained the certificate. The street accident she had earnestly prayed for took place. A man had broken his leg. She confiscated the walking stick of a passer-by and broke it in three pieces for splints. She tore up her skirt for bandages. When all was completed she summoned a cab and took her patient to the hospital.

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