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The death rate of the globe is estimated at 68 a minute, 97,320 a day, or 35,740,800 a year. The birth rate at 70 a minute, 100,800 a day, or 36,792,000 a year, reckoning the year to be 365 days in length.

The Poles of Chicago are much nettled by the fact that the equestrian statue of Kosciuszko, modeled by Chorziński, has been rejected by the Municipal Art Commission of that city.

No musician of any age received more presents from royalty, great folks and municipalities than Nicolo Paganini.

The excavations at Nippur revealed not only the oldest sanctuary, library and school that are known to the present time, but also the most ancient archaeological museum.

Since November, 1897, when the first German sailors were landed and possession was taken of Kyaochau, North China, which covers an area of 268.4 square miles and counts 80,000 inhabitants, the German government has spent \$11,900,000 on it.

M. Jusserand, the French ambassador, and his wife are a most devoted couple. They were married eight years ago and since that time have not been separated for 24 hours at one time.

A sartorial authority in London announced some months ago that before long well-dressed men would be wearing corsets.

The largest bottle ever blown has just been made at the Illinois Glass Works, at Alton, Ill. It is a wine bottle seven feet high, and was made for a wine exhibit.

The feather bed, after its banishment during about half a century, is being received back into favor in colder countries.

Willie Dunn, the amateur golf player, is laying a golf course for John D. Rockefeller at Pocahontas Hills.

Cupid and Mammon are madly pursuing a young man who lives in Brooklyn. Louis Thompson Hunt must find a wife before he is twenty-five years old or forfeit an annual income of \$2,500.

THE 1903 OUTLOOK.

From Present Indications the Republicans Appear to Have the Lead Even in Doubtful States.

In the strict sense, there are no off years in American politics. Although theoretically there is a lull for two years immediately before the presidential contest, except as regards the maneuvering of each party in congress for position in the big campaign, yet actually elections of great importance take place a year in advance of the quadrennial round-up.

Probably the democrats will carry Kentucky in 1903. They have an election law which leaves nothing to chance, and it may be relied on to count a majority for the party which framed it, and which intended it to roll up democratic margins irrespective of the relative number of republican and democratic votes actually deposited at the polls.

Rhode Island elected a democratic governor in 1902, and that fact gave the democracy some aid and comfort at the time. In the election this year the democrats are understood to feel considerable confidence.

COMMENTS OF THE PRESS.

The president is serving his party and the best interests of the people in talking against a disturbance of the tariff law.—Cleveland Leader.

Mr. Bryan says that Mr. Cleveland betrayed his party and disgraced himself. Thus does the great cause of democratic harmony continue to flourish.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

There is a shrewd suspicion that if Mr. Bryan were not afflicted with Chicago platform myopia he would be more successful in searching for a Moses.—Detroit Free Press (dem.).

As nearly as we can get at Col. Bryan's idea of democratic harmony it consists in all democrats subscribing to his opinions and also for the Commoner.—Chicago Chronicle (dem.).

No two of that distinguished triumvirate—Watterson, Bryan and Cleveland—are in agreement. The democratic party may be obliged to concentrate on somebody who is not talking much.—Cincinnati Enquirer (dem.).

In soliciting Mr. Hanna's services as campaign manager the republicans lay especial stress on the point that running their campaign next year will be the easiest job of the kind that Mr. Hanna ever undertook.—Chicago Daily News (ind.).

Bryan is publishing a serial—a galaxy of availabilities. It never can be too clearly understood that he is not a candidate for another nomination. Possibly he has almost succeeded in persuading himself that this is a fact.—Brooklyn Eagle.

Grover Cleveland has avowed himself a friend of Booker T. Washington and a believer in the Tuskegee system of training the colored people for usefulness. Will Mr. Cleveland now be persona non grata to that section of the southern democracy which seems to think fairness to the negro is equivalent to recognition of the social equality of the races?—Troy Times.

ANTI-TRUST LAWS WIN.

Democratic Argument That Republican Legislation Is Ineffective Disposed Of.

One of the most important developments in the war of legislation against corporate combination is the decision by the United States circuit court which dissolves the merger of the Northern Pacific railroad companies under the title of The Northern Securities company. This merger by which these two transcontinental lines were consolidated, is declared to be illegal because it restrains of trade and therefore in violation of the Sherman anti-trust law.

This confidence, however, is not to be well based as it might be, says the Troy Times. The United States supreme court no more than the circuit court which has just given its decision can decide as to the wisdom of congressional enactments.

The dissolution of this great merger disposes of the democratic argument that republican legislation has been ineffective as against combinations commonly known as trusts.

The whole question of the relation between the public and corporate organizations is so complicated and delicate that it will be a long time before the issues are finally decided. Probably, as in the case of the relations between employers and employes, there will be a fluctuating understanding for many years to come, with the emphasis alternately upon one side and the other.

VIEWS OF SECRETARY ROOT.

Trusts Cannot Be Got Rid Of by Tariff Revision, as Democrats Declare.

Secretary of War Root's recent speech at Boston was not long, but he made a number of good points and made them very clearly. As the occasion was a banquet of the Home Market club the speech dealt exclusively with the tariff question.

THE NEVADA DESERTS.

Government Experts Discover That They Can Be Reclaimed in Large Part by Irrigation.

The irrigation possibilities of the arid west, especially that part of it included in the great interior basin, once called the great American desert, are daily becoming more apparent.

A more detailed study is being made of the amount of water each water-shed will furnish, especially those on which there are good reservoir sites, and the losses of water from each.

The girl with the bird on her hat may not be able to get into heaven, says the Chicago Record-Herald, but does she want to if there are to be no feathers there?

The Trout Season Open in Wisconsin.

The legal season for brook trout fishing in Wisconsin opened April 15th, under most advantageous conditions.

The individual who obtains celebrity in a single night is likely to lose it in a day.—Chicago Journal.

An Unreliable Rumor.

The rumor from Washington that the "Four-Track News" has been sold to Frank Masey for four million dollars is denied by George H. Daniels, the publisher, who says that the "Four-Track News" will continue to be published at the old stand.—From the Albany Journal.

A wise man makes many friends and few confidants.—Chicago Daily News.

Advertisement for Tower's Fish Brand Slicker. DON'T GET WET! ASK YOUR DEALER FOR THE SLICKER MADE FAMOUS BY A REPUTATION EXTENDING OVER MORE THAN HALF A CENTURY.

Advertisement for St. Jacobs Oil. Just what it was 25 years ago, St. Jacobs Oil is now. The prompt, sure cure for SORENESS AND STIFFNESS. Price, 25c. and 50c.

Advertisement for W. L. Douglas Shoes. BEST \$3.50 & \$3.00 SHOES IN THE WORLD. W. L. Douglas makes and sells more men's Goodyear welt (hand-sewed) shoes than any other manufacturer in the world.

A NEW IDEA FOOD TO MAKE YOU WELL

Advertisement for Ozomulsion. O Ozomulsion Ozomulsion. The New Life-Saving Food PREVENTS DISEASE—PRESERVES HEALTH—PROLONGS LIFE.

Advertisement for Ozomulsion Food Co. Have You Tried It? Trial Bottle Free By Mail. Ozomulsion is the Only Vitalized emulsion of Cod Liver Oil, combined with the blood-germicide Gualaicol, the emollient food Glycerine, and the Bone and Tissue-building Salts of Life, the Hypophosphites of Lime and Soda.