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Two-thirds of all the children born in Connecticut in 1889 were boys.

There has been a monster baby show in Melbourne, Australia. Upward of 700 infants were on view and 30,000 people went to see them.

Three vessels which arrived at the port of New York recently reported that they had been successful in overcoming the effects of a hurricane by using oil.

In his address at Albany, N. Y., on the reform of criminals, Colonel Ingersoll gave some statistics showing that while in 1850, with a population of 23,000,000, the United States had between 6000 and 7000 prisoners; in 1880, with 50,000,000 population, we had 25,000 prisoners.

Jimmie Cooke, of Carroll County, Ga., is the youngest and most remarkable boy preacher in the field. He is but thirteen years old, and has already been preaching two years.

A case of considerable interest to men who insure their lives for the benefit of their wives was recently decided in St. Louis. The case was one in which a man had taken out such a policy. His wife died and he married again, having children by both marriages.

The baby King of Spain is now a father. The other day his Ambassador at St. Petersburg solemnly accepted in the name of his Majesty the duty of seeing that the son of the Comte and Comtesse de Morella renounces his pomp and vanities of this wicked world.

Warned by the experience of the Cronin trial at Chicago, when weeks of valuable time were consumed in the selection of a jury with a result far from satisfactory, a Chicago judge has adopted a plan by which he hopes to overcome these difficulties.

To-day Seattle, Wash., is largely rebuilt, and the new buildings are much finer than the old ones were before the fire a brick hotel, containing 200 rooms, was completed.

"You don't know what snow storms are in New York," said General Bela Buell, of Leadville, Col., to a Press man. "Why, even out in our country we have no such snowfall as we had twenty years ago."

THE SIN OF OMISSION.

It isn't the thing you do, dear, It's the thing you leave undone, Which gives you a bit of a heartache At the setting of the sun.

THE BEST ROAD.

"And here, Claribel," said old Mrs. Grigg, "I declare, I had nearly forgotten little Pen. Pen came so long after the others, and she's such a mite of a thing, that I've always forgetting her."

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HUMOR OF THE DAY.

Cinderella was a slippery maiden. The musician is not easily played out. The best cigar meets its match when it is lit. Door fastenings have knobby decorations. "The whirled is mine," said the cyclone.—Washington Post.