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RATES OF ADVERTISING. One square, one inch, one month... One square, one inch, three months... One square, one inch, one year...

Pauperism has declined in England and Wales, and is declining in Ireland.

One county (Washoe) in Nevada shows an increase in population over the figures of the census ten years ago.

The Cincinnati Commercial Gazette has come to the conclusion that hypnotism is being more or less than the old mesmeric craze revived.

The Drovers' Journal figures that the daily mileage made in cities of the United States by cars supplied with electric motors is now more than one hundred thousand miles and is growing rapidly.

People who live in San Francisco congratulate themselves that earthquakes are not altogether objectionable, since they prevent the erection of high blocks of buildings, which keep air and sunlight out of the streets.

Professor Simonson says that there are now from 1,000,000 to 5,000,000 students of Volapuk in the world, of whom 1,000,000 are competent to use it; 1200 business houses where it is employed, and 1200 Volapuk text and reading books, as well as thirty well regulated Volapuk journals.

The number of cattle in Indian Territory is now found to be only 500,000 head. This is a great falling off from former years, and shows, argues the Boston Cultivator, that hereafter the consumers of beef must depend on stock fed with cultivated forage and grain, instead of relying on the product of pastures costing nothing.

The Chicago Herald says that "Florida and California are each making a strong bid for winter visitors by sending out cars filled with tropical and semi-tropical fruits attractively displayed.

One of the curious facts which workingmen and mechanics detailed to undertake work of different towns notice, remarks the Chicago News, is that the small country places are frequently ahead of the metropolitan cities in the way of scientific improvements.

Several California papers recently contained a matrimonial appeal, signed by a young and beautiful Hungarian maiden, an orphan without means, but well educated and with domestic tendencies, who seeks a companion for life.

The experiments in the cultivation of plants under the electrical light, recently made by the botanical department of the Cornell University, at Ithaca, N. Y., have given some curious and interesting results, and results which are in some respects confirmatory of somewhat similar experiments not long ago reported from Russia.

TO A LITTLE BROOK.

You're not so big as you were then, O little brook! I mean those lazy summers when we boys roamed, full of awe, beside your noisy, foaming, tumbling tide.

A LAST CHORD.

Madame Langelot, a comely, smiling woman of thirty-six, was humming merrily as she went to and fro in her dining-room, and giving the last glance, the careful housewife's glance, to the family table.

Joe, the Worm Man.

Joe Pierce, the "only worm merchant," died in this city a few days ago. Joe was well known on the water front. His store was a portable bucket and gunny-sack.

An Opperture Thirty Cents.

"I had a most extraordinary piece of luck last Sunday," remarked a young broker to a Tribune reporter a day or two ago, "and for it I have been thanking a kind Providence ever since.

Why the Dayaks Hunt Heads.

Many Dayak tribes of Australia are still addicted to head-hunting, a practice which has made their name notorious, and which but lately threatened the destruction of the whole race.

An Electrical Riding School.

It is said that an electrical riding school is shortly to be equipped in Paris. This intention is doubtless attributable to the success which attended the opening of the electrical riding school in Nice last year.

SERPENTS FOR THE ZOO.

HOW THEY ARE OBTAINED FOR CINCINNATI'S MENAGERIE. A Wonderful Collection of Poisonous Lizards and Things that Crawl—Reptiles From Many Climes.

HOUSEHOLD AFFAIRS.

HOUSEHOLD AFFAIRS. EXERCISE IN HOUSEWORK. Household is healthy, and many physicians recommend it to women who need exercise.

DRIVING FRUIT.

Dried fruit is one of the by-products of the farm, and although it will not pay the farmer to hire labor to dry fruit, it will pay to make arrangements in advance for it.

THE WINTER WINDOW GARDEN.

The housewife who loves flowers must now begin preparations for the stock which shall bloom in the winter garden during winter.

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"Knee deep! knee deep!" I am a child again! I hear the cowbells tinkling down the lane.

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