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FACTS IN FEW LINES

Oklahoma has \$250,000,000 of taxable property, and its public institutions are valued at \$12,000,000.

Malaria continues to be a greater scourge of the British army in India than any other fatal cause. The department of fishedes is intro-ducing in Nova Scotia waters the rain-bow trout from British Columbia.

ow trout from British Columbia. Arrests for drunkenness in 129 cities of the United States are said to aggre-gate 312,000 during the last fiscal year. Vine culture and the production of whes has in recent years become an important industry in the republic of Chile.

Later census returns from remote districts will increase the population of the Dominion of Canada to about 5,500,000.

Throughout Africa the cow's horn is a favorite instrument, being used in connection with others on all festival occasions,

Cockfighting is no longer a legalized form of sport in Manila, the civil au-thorities having issued an order pro-hibiting it. hibiting it.

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Manila is becoming a popular objective point for tourists from Australia, a distinction which it could not gain under Spanish rule.
The city of Spokane, Wash, has paid in recent years thousands of dollars for damage suits resulting in injuries received on defective sidewalks.
Russia's Aslatic possessions are three times as large as the British, but have only 25,000,000 moder British rule.
Mortality among the colored people of Baltimore during 1000 was three times rule retent than among the whites. Tuberculosis caused one-tenth of the deaths.
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It has been found that acetylene gives at least four times the amount of lampblack that oil gas does, is free from tar compounds and is well adapt-ed for printing.

ed for printing. In ten Irish counties there are ad-vertised 607.000 acres of shootings, and the rental asked is £7,885, or a trifle over 2% pence per acre. In most cases, too, there are mansions attached. New Guinea is just now suffering from a visitation of whooping cough. This is the first time that the mahady has occurred there, and as usual in such cases it is spreading like wildfire. Strong lights, with basins of petro-

Strong lights, with basins of petro-leum below them, are now used in France to destroy night flying insects that injure vineyards. As many as 4,868 Insects have been caught in a basin in one night.

basin in one night. Most people think that France is the glovemaking country par excellence. Germany, however, has the largest number of concerns engaged in the making of leather gloves of any coun-try in Europe, the number being over 1,100.

1,100. German physicians are applying a new remedy, lecithine, to the cure of diseases which require treatment of the nerves and nutrition. Lecithine and its compounds are said to have a tendency to increase weight and growth. growth.

With 342,782 inhabitants San Fran-With 342,482 inhabitants San Fran-cisco has 21,324 telephones. In other words, she has a telephone for every 16 inhabitants. Boston comes next. She has 500,000 inhabitants and 23,789 telephones, or a telephone for every 24 inhabitants inhabitants.

In Germany there are 200,000 plants for the production of acetylene gas, and thirty-two cities light their streets with this gas. The production of calcium carbide is growing continually, the amount manufactured last year being 20,000 metric tons

amount manufactured last year being 20,000 metric tons. Columbia, S. C., has been following the example of several California cities by sprinkling certain of its streets with oil. It has been found by actual prac-tice that it costs about \$36 per block and that it not only settles the dust, but makes a better road.

Between 40,000 and 50,000 wome pass annually through the prisons of England and Wales. Taking the figures for last year, it appears that 72 per cent had been previously convicted, 42 per cent five times and more and 15 per cent, about 7,000 women, twenty times or more.

Owing to the depredations of the na-Owing to the depretations of the na-tive sportsmen the hare bids fair to be-come extinct in France. The passen-ger boats from Folkestone take over daily supplies to Boulogne to make good the shortage of native animals. This is the first season that hares have been imported from England.

NEW SHORT STORIES

NEW SHORT STORIES Statues In Politics. The commander of a British vessel was a few months ago a guest of Pres-ident Cipriano Castro of Venezuela, who did everything in his power to entertain his visitor. One afternoon, says The Youth's Companion, the pres-ident drove the officer about the city, pointing out the monuments which dorn the avenues and plazas of the capital of Little Venezuela and the United States of Colombia were not wanting, and the Englishman, thinking of the precarious political condition and noting the number of monuments in bronze erected to men who were still living, inquired of the president if it were not somewhat risky to build me-morials to living heroes. "Yes, senor," replied the president "but in case there is a revolution and another party comes into power these monuments are hurled down and others erected in their places." "That would seem to be a heavy ex-pense to the state," commented the

"That would seem to be a heavy ex-pense to the state," commented the Englishman.

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"True, but honoring our supporters in this manner helps to keep them faithful and is worth all the costs." "I should suggest, then, if you will pardon the advice of a stranger, that as a measure of economy you have these statues cast with detachable heads, so that when one of your nu-merons revolutions occurs you can simply unserve the head of the hu-miliated hero and replace it with that of the conqueror." "Ab, that would never work," re-joined the president. "They already feel that their heads are none too firmi-ly fixed on their shoulders, and such an arrangement would be entirely too sug-gestive."

gestive." A Relative of Santa Claus. While the special train of George Gould was on a side track in Missouri Mr. Gould stepped to earth to stretch his legs while waiting for a regular train to pass. It was in the more rag-ged part of the state, well away from ervilization. A typical inhabitant of the district stopped a pair of emachated mules near the train. He hailed Mr. Gould and said: "Say, mister, we have a new baby at my dugout, and we ain't got no soap. My old woman is so stuck up over it



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that she's making me drive fourteen miles to town to get some nice smellin' soap, and I thought maybe you'd help me out by gettin' me a piece of soap outen one of them fancey cars." Mrs. Gould, who overheard the re-quest, had a porter give the man sev-eral pieces of soap wrapped in some towels and several articles of tinned delicacies. The man seemed much sur-prised at such generosity, and as he turned to drive homeward he shouted back to Mr. Gould: "Say, mister, you all must be some relation to Santa Claus."

relation to Santa Claus." The Duke, Sure Enough. A Scotch clerk who wished to com-municate by long distance telephone with the head of the firm, then at his country mansion on Roseneath penin-sula, attempted to call him up. Get-ting a connection, he inquired, "Who are you?" "The Duke of Argyll," came back the reply, with the usual reciprocal intercogation, "Who are you?" "Oh." lightly answered the skeptical clerk, "The King Edward VII.," a response which is alleged to have provoked the other end to indig-nant remonstrance. The clerk had rung up the wrong number and was connected with the calle of the duke. Had Sat In the Chair.

Had Sat In the Chair. Had Sat In the Chair. Queen Anne was once surrounded by a host of gayly dressed courtiers, and in the throng was an old man of eighty-three, wearing the plain dress of a country farmer. "Have you ever seen such a sight before?" asked a looker on. And the throng was star-thed to hear the old man say, "Never since I sat in her chair," It was Crom-well's son Richard, who went hup to re-trement on the restoration of King 'hardes H.

### Doing the Right Thing

Doing the Hight Thing. The wife of a provincial mayor in England, who had on some special oc-casion to inscribe her name after the various members of the royal family, wishing to do the right thing, cast an inquiring eye on the signatures al-rendy inscribed and, seeing "Albert Edward," "Helena" and "Christian Victor," solzed the pen and trium-phantly wrote "Jane!"



The generation of the subject of the LAXAROLA CO., ip Name Stret, N. Y. of the second structure of the with conscious individualities, success is only attained in proportion as we act on scientific principles. It follows, then, that as soon as we decide to live in social groups we have to take cog-nizance of equity in collective rela-tions, that being essential to scientifie dealings with each other. Yet that is what men have always neglected to do. They have assumed that plety, philanthropy and personal purity were all that was needed to keep social rela-tions in good trim. How idiotic! We have thus dealt with each other on em-pirical principles. We have thus made a wretched hash out of all social com-pact because acting as if we had noth-ing to do in discriminating between two antagonistic forces. For instance, truth or righteousness constitutes a certain specific group of relations closely connected with each other, evolving a corresponding set of phenomena in human development. Evil, wrong or falschood constitutes an-other certain specific group of relations also intimately connected with each other, evolving a corresponding set of results in human growth. The two groups of relations and phe-nohena are diametrically opposed to each other and so, when mixed up, as we have most stupidly mixed them up, can produce nothing but chaotic, bar-baric conditions in the realm of

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can produce nothing but chaotic, bar-baric conditions in the realm of thought, emotions and volitions, per-sonal and collective, in the world of matter or mind to which that dread-ful mixture may be attached. Hence the utter inutility of pidety, philanthropy and personal purity combined without the element of social purity, of col-lective equity, of industrial honesity, so utterly repudiated by all ages and nations, but never quite as much as to-day by our modern leading nations. And so we are willing to do all we can for each other except what is right for all. We are anxious to realize-all the good that is possible in the midst of the legalization of bottom wrongs. We give to each other the spirit of equality in the bosom of the greatest and most criminal inequalities the earth ever saw. We cannot see the beauty of legalizing truth in national life. We can only see the transient ad-vantages we may get from each other through the legalization of out own human selfshness, whims or foolish conceits. The spirit of general inita-tion, so intense today, in all the non-sensical externals of human existence is but the result of an education which breeds the spirit of equality blended with that of greed, and thus we used the moral order. Equality and greed cannot mix but by producing the most heartless and repulsive inequalities through the whole social organism, just what we have. The ensemble of the above indica-

through the whole social organism, just what we have. The ensemble of the above indica-tions seems to explain why not even radical reformers can consolidate them-selves into a species of national league for the purpose of political and eco-nomic education through several dai-lies and weeklies in the principal cit-ies, backed with sufficient funds, and thus inviting a large circulation. Such a way as to appeal to all classes. They should have all that most men require today biended with carefully written and concise essays on modern social problems.

A Union Torm. Stephen Charters, a labor man who was inaugurated mayor of Ansonia, Conn., on Dec. 2, has annunced fity-one of his fity-fity appointments. For-ty-seven of the appointments are mem-bers of trades unions, and many of them particlepated in the great strike at the Farrell Foundry and Machine company's plant last summer.

at the Parren Foundry and Machine company's plant last summer. The Torioise and the Two Ducks. A torioise, dissuistied with her lowly life, had a great desire to see foreign countries. On informing two ducks of her wish they said, 'We shall be hap-py, for a fair price, to transport you to any country you please.'' The pas-sage money having been agreed upon and paid, the ducks'snid, 'You must take this narrow plece of stick in your testih and held it fast, and we will take hold of it at each ead and carry you between us, and, as you value your life, be sure to hold your mouth shut.'' The journey began, and wherever they went there was a large crowd of peo-ple, who exclaimed in astonishment: "What a wonderful sight! The queen of the torioises with her house at her back.'' "Yes, yes,'' said the torioise. "you are quite right. I am the queen.'' But it would have been better if she had held her tongne, for the moment she opened her mouth she let go the stick and was dashed to pieces on a rock.

### The Puffball.

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The Parbant. In the woods, especially under oak trees, you will often find brown bails about the size of a walnut, which, when stepped upon, explode with a loud bans. The proper name for these little balls is oak apples or galls. If you cut one open carefully, so as not to get any of the brown dust with which it is partly filled in your eyes, you will discover right in the center a tiny cell, in which a little worn has lived and grown up. In the first place the gallfy, a small insect with four whichs, lays an erg in the tissue of an oak leaf. This egg soon hatches into larva. The larva is a hangry little fellow, for he begins to eat right away, and while he feeds his house grown he finds himself on the inside of what we commonly call a puffball. He then eats his way out, and the first strong which tumbles his house down to the ground. Candy and nuts at Keiper's.

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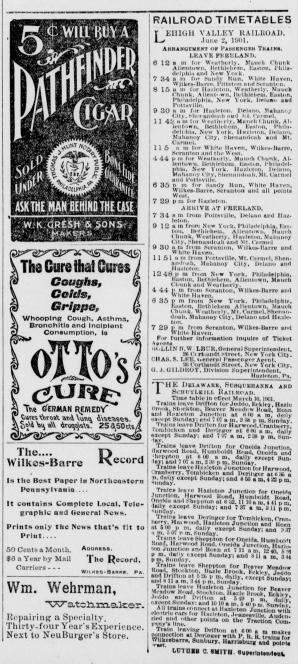
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