NEWS OF THE WORLD

Buffalo claims a population of 254,000.

A revolution has broken out in Buenos Ayres.

The cloakmaker's strike in New York has been settled.

The Irish rifle team won the Elcho Shield at Bisley.

Two Spanish warships have been ordered to Central America.

The gold exports from New York last week amounted to $1,254,000.

There are fears of a potato famine in Ireland, owing to the blight.

The Siberian cattle plague is ravaging the Province of Riazan in Russia.

The Earl of Jersey has been appointed Governor of New South Wales.

An incendiary fire at Spokane Falls destroyed property valued at $180,000.

Russia has increased the tariff dues on starch, glassware, wax and codliver oil.

Appearances indicate that Lord Randolph Churchill will again be in the ministry.

Incessant rains have done an enormous amount of damage to crops in France.

Rev. Dr. Moulton has been elected President of the British Wesleyan Conference.

Fifteen hundred journeymen bakers of Chicago have struck for two hours less work on Saturdays.

A despatch from Spokane Falls states that the town of Wallace, Idaho, is burning down. No particulars.

Nineteen persons were killed and much property destroyed by a cyclone in the town of Slonim, Russia.

The Gloucester, Mass., schooner William Rice and her crew of sixteen were lost while on a voyage to Ireland.

John D. Fiske, a lawyer and opera house manager, was shot and killed by Joseph T. Stillman at Fresno, Cal.

The Uruguayan parliament has passed a bill compelling the payment of one-half of the custom duties in gold.

Work on the St. Clair tunnel progresses very satisfactorily. A meeting of the directors was held at Point Edward.

Paris is alarmed over the discovery that a man sick with cholera has been in one of the hospitals there since July 15.

President Diaz says Mexico has sent no troops to the Guatemalan frontier, and will maintain the strictest neutrality.

The New York striking cloak-makers are becoming turbulent and resorting to acts of violence to enforce their demands.

In a yacht race at Duluth, Minn., two boats were struck by a squall. One went to the bottom. Two men were drowned.

Thirty-two Arabs, who arrived at Philadelphia, Pa., on the steamer "Pennsylvania" from Liverpool, will have to return.

The Chicago City Council passed an ordinance granting the use of the lake front as part of the site for the World's Fair.

Smallpox is ravaging the villages between Mansoarah and Sagazig, Russia. The population is being almost decimated.

A Richmond despatch says the boycotting scheme as a possible form of retaliation for the Force Bill is not generally favored in the South.

M. Roche, the French Minister of Commerce, will distribute copies of the McKinley Bill among the French Chambers of Commerce.

Mr. Baker, the Wesleyan missionary, who was Premier of Tonga, had to leave that island under threats of being killed by the natives.

Russian papers are busily advocating a Russo-French alliance, which, in view of Emperor William's coming visit, is regarded as significant.

In Iowa there will be a total failure of the honey crop this year. There is no honey in flowers and the clover and buckwheat have thus far yielded nothing.

The Parnell-O'Shea case has been again postponed, and it is now generally believed the matter will never come up in court, but will be adjusted privately.

Dr. Peters is to receive an appointment in the imperial service in East Africa. He will probably be entrusted with the command of an expedition into the interior.

A despatch from Saukim says a hurricane swept over that place recently. The storm demolished the chimneys of the water condenser, causing a great scarcity of water.

At St. Joseph, Mo., the other night, Mrs. John O'Meara, who weighs 190 lbs., rolled upon her twin daughters while asleep, and killed them both. The babes were three months old.

Large cargoes of Canadian cattle are arriving in Scotland, and a still greater influx is expected next month, charters having been taken for the bringing of several thousands during August.

Frederick Douglas, Minister to Hayti, who has just arrived in New York, says there were no indications of another revolution when he left Hayti and the government appeared to be well established.

The Stevedores' Union in London has declared a boycott against the steamers of the Allan line, plying to Montreal, and the Wilson and Hull and London and Boston and New York, for employing non-union men.

The manufacturing corporations of Fall River, Mass., have agreed to form a combination with the other cotton mills of New England and curtail the print cloth production during the last two weeks of August.

At Wolcottville, a German village ten miles south-east of Lockport, N. Y., a lunatic named Yago beat Poormaster Schultz so severely with a shovel and an axe that Schultz died in the evening. The lunatic fled.

The town of Hammerfest, Norway, has been almost totally destroyed by fire. The inhabitants are homeless and in a starving condition. Provisions and clothing have been sent from Tromsoe to the sufferers.

The Queen has presented a case of books to the library of the Toronto University. Among the books are thirty volumes of the history of Windsor Castle and another volume tells of the Great Seals of England. The gift is an exceptional mark of honor.

Two heavy freight trains on the Milwaukee, Lake Shore and Western railroad collided near Tigertown, Wis., Fireman Sims and Buckley, Brakemen Seymour and an unknown brakeman were instantly killed. Both engines and nearly all of the cars are a total wreck.

The trial of the action for divorce brought by Viscount Dunlo, son of the Earl of Clancarty, against his wife, who, previous to her marriage, was known in London music halls as Belle Bilton, has opened in London. The co-respondent is Isidore Wertheimer, a wealthy dealer in bric-a-brac. The defence is an absolute denial of the charges.

The Armenian Bishop of Erzeroum was among those killed in the recent riot and his death has aroused the Armenians to the highest pitch of excitement. The whole country is in a state of anarchy. Business is at a standstill. Travelling is impracticable. Half-starved Turkish soldiers and Kurds, under the pretence of maintaining order, patrol the country, plundering wherever they go. The Persian Consul at Erzeroum offers the persecuted Armenians an asylum in Persia.

FACTS AND FIGURES.

Two wealthy Jews of Bagdad now own all that remains of the ancient town of Babylon.

It is computed that an adult laboring man wasted 5 ounces of muscle in the course of his daily labor.

The highest meteorological station in Europe is on the top of the Sonnblick, in Austria, 10,168 feet above the level of the sea.

The longest railroad bridge span in the United States is the cantilever span in the Poughkeepsie bridge over the Hudson River, 548 feet.

Columbia is the wealthiest of American universities, and Harvard comes next, with property valued at $8,000,000, and a yearly income amounting to $863,121.

On account of the height and sheer descent of the surrounding mountains the sun does not rise on Mirror Lake, Yosemite Valley, until 11:30 o'clock in the morning.

According to recent figures, the people of this country are longer lived than those of Europe; in this country 18 persons out of every 1,000 die each year, in England the average is 20, and in Germany 26.

It is not generally known that the custom of keeping birthdays is many thousand years old; it is recorded in the fortieth chapter of Genesis, twentieth verse: "And it came to pass the third day, which was Pharaoh's birth-day, that he made a feast unto all his servants.

An extraordinary feat in telephoning was recently accomplished between St. Petersburg and Boulogne, a distance of 2,465 miles; conversation was kept up, notwithstanding a rather high induction; the Russian engineers, propose to converse by telephone over a distance of 4,665 miles.

The greatest diving feat ever achieved was in moving the cago of the ship Cape Horn, wrecked off the coast of South America, when a diver named Hooper made seven descents to a depth of 201 feet, and at one time remained under water 42 minutes; Scribe states the greatest depth to which a man has ever descended to be 204 feet, equivalent to pressure of 88½ pounds per square inch.

The human family today consists of about 1,450,000,000 individuals; in Asia there are now about 600,000,000, or an average of 120 to the square mile; in Europe there are 320,000,000, averaging 100 to the square mile; in Africa there are 210,000,000; in America, North and South, there are 110,000,000, thinly scattered, and recent; in the islands, large and small, probably, 10,000,000.

Mrs Jefferson Davis fn a letter to a friend in New York thus writes:—"I am not surprised that you believe that our daughter Varina ('Winnie') is the only surviving child, as almost in every notice of her it is stated that she is 'the only daughter of the late Jefferson Davis.' But it is a cause of constantly recurring thankfulness to me that if I were to be deprived of all our sons by death, two daughters survive, Margaret, the eldest, is the wife of J. A. Hayes, a Mississippian by birth, now a banker in Colorado Springs. She was most tenderly beloved by her father, and it was one of the sorrows of his later years that Mrs Hayes' health required her residence to be so far removed from ours."

Dairy Washing.

Means and need of cleansing utensils of the dairy is the important subject of an article in *The Prairie Farmer*. from which we excerpt a paragraph:

"The best and most thorough way to purify milk vessels is to plunge them several times in a kettle or tank of water, which, through the process, is kept at a boiling temperature. We should always bear in mind that the fungi and bacteria inhabiting milk vessels are of a microscopic character and seams which appear clean to the naked eye may in reality be teeming with one of the most minute and destructive forms of animal life."

Colman's Rural World considers the same matter intelligently, as follows, emphasizing a point not referred to in the above extract:

"Never scald milk utensils before washing, as scalding will make the caseous matter adhere in an insoluble form that can be removed only by scraping and scouring. First rinse the article in cold water thoroughly; then wash in tepid water that the hand can be kept in, using a little alkali, and when well-washed and rinsed, scald with clean boiling water, and set aside so that it will drain dry—don't wipe it, as the article is likely to be cleaner than the cloth. If it is a matter of necessity to wipe some articles, use a perfectly clean cloth, that nothing else has been wiped with."

A Minister's Perquisites

The perquisities of a minister's life are as a general thing overestimated. An old clergyman firmly believed this, who had received a call to a small church in the eastern part of this State, from his much larger parish in Massachusetts. A delegation from the church was sent to urge him to accept the call. He asked them what the salary was. They replied that it was about $600 a year, but that the people were very generous and were continually bringing in things to the minister. "Well," said he, "I don't wish to offend you, but I must positively decline. And now let me give you a bit of my experience: In my younger days I received a call to a small parish where, as in the case with your people, they were very liberal. It was their custom to always give the minister a ball of butter when they churned, and a quarter of veal when they slaughtered; I accepted the call. Things went along as they were represented during the first year. After that there began to be a falling off in their donations, until soon I received hardly anything. I began to make inquries. One of my parishoners told me I gave perfect satisfaction, but the people had begun to raise their calves.' And it has been my experience," continued the old minister, "that donating parishioners soon began to 'raise their calves."—Lewiston, Me., Journal.

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