

THE WORLD'S NEWSPAPERS.

A French newspaper man, delving into the statistical exhibit at the big fair, gleaned the following facts about the newspapers of the world for the columns of La Nature:

Germany publishes the greatest number of periodicals in all Europe. In all it produces 5,500 periodicals, of which 800 are dailies. The journals devoted to religious dogmas, creeds and scientific theories abound. The most widely circulated German journal is the Berliner Tagenblatt, which issues 55,000 copies.

After Germany comes England, which issues 3,000 periodicals, 807 of which are dailies. France follows with a number nearly equal, which, officially, is 2,819, of which only a quarter are published daily, by-weekly or tri-weekly.

Italy holds the fourth rank, in publishing 1,400 journals, 200 of which appear at Rome, 240 at Milan, 120 at Naples, 94 at Turin and 69 at Florence. Of these 170 are dailies. The oldest is the Gazette de Genes, established in 1797.

In Austria-Hungary there are 1,200 journals, of which 150 are circulated seven times each week.

Russia publishes but 800 journals, 200 of which appear at St. Petersburg and 75 at Moscow. An infinite number of languages are represented in the Russian press.

In Greece journals are proportionately numerous, every little market place having one. Athens publishes 54, all daily.

In Switzerland there are 450 journals, and Belgium and Holland furnish nearly an equal number.

In Sweden, Norway and Portugal journalism is but little cultivated.

In Turkey the journalistic movement is quite active.

In Asia are found no less than 3,000 periodical publications. Most of them appear in Japan and the English Indies.

In Beloochistan and Afghanistan there are no papers, but as an offset there are six in Persia.

As regards the press, Africa is disinherited. It possesses but 200 journals, 30 of which are published in Egypt and the rest in European colonies.

As might be supposed, America comes in for a large share of the world's publications. In the United States alone there are 12,500, of which over 1,000 are dailies. The first American newspaper appeared at Boston in 1704, under the name of the Boston News. Although but slightly developed up to 1800, an epoch at which there were but 200 journals, the press of the United States has made remarkable progress since the beginning of this century. In fact, in 1840 there were 1,630 journals enumerated; in 1880, 4,000. It can be seen that since then the figures have been more than tripled.

In Canada there are 700 journals. Aside from Mexico and in Brazil, where a number of journals are published, it only remains to

cite the Argentine Republic, the press of which is represented by 60 publications.

But four papers can be found in Oceania. Australia has 700. The Sandwich Islands have eight.

Over half the papers printed appear in English.

Of American journals 150 are edited and published by negroes. The oldest of these, the Elevator, was started eighteen years ago.

It has been calculated that there exists one journal for every 82,600 individuals.

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"Very odd," said the HERALD editor, as stood mournfully gazing at the mass of pie Thursday afternoon; "very odd, indeed. Stewed tripe for dinner and stewed type for tea."

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