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THE WEATHER.

THE annual rainfall at Sierra Leons is 25 inches.

STORM warnings were first given in the last century.

A RAPID fall of the barometer foreshadows a heavy storm.

ON January 13, 1810, quicksilver froze hard at Moscow.

THE mean temperature of the whole earth is about 50 degrees.

THE British Isles have an average of sixty-six gales a year.

THE high cirrus clouds are believed to be formed of snowflakes.

THE earliest snow ever known in England was on October 7, 1822.

MORE than 1,000 forms of snow crystals have been observed and copied.

THE principles of rainfall were first correctly set forth by Dalton in 1785.

THE average annual rainfall over the whole earth is thirty-six inches.

IN 1775 hailstones said to weigh twenty ounces fell at Murcia, in Spain.

THE average annual amount of dew in England is equal to five inches of rain.

IN the year 310 hardly a drop of rain fell in England, and 40,000 people died of famine.

IN 1035 there was a frost in England July 1 that destroyed nearly all the vegetation.

THE annual snowfall averages five feet in the interior of Maine, Vermont and New York.

EVERY civilized nation of the world, even China and Japan, now has a weather bureau.

THE heaviest rainfall is near the equator, and diminishes steadily as the latitudes rise.

AT Bombay twenty-four inches of rain have fallen in a day; at Genoa, thirty; at Gibraltar, thirty-three.

OUR POPULATION.

THIS country contains 107,475 Chinese.

NEW HAMPSHIRE has 600 colored population.

THE last census included 78,836 civilized Indians.

PHILADELPHIA has 187,052 houses and 205,135 families.

CHICAGO has 127,871 dwellings and 221,320 families.

ST. LOUIS has 60,937 dwelling houses and 91,556 families.

NEW YORK CITY has 81,828 dwellings and 217,706 families.

MISSOURI has 435,320 inhabited houses; Illinois, 609,812.

AT the last census Nevada had only 4,931 girls of school age.

BY the last census there were 2,309 Japanese in this country.

NORTH CAROLINA has but 23-10th per cent. of foreign population.

NORTH DAKOTA has only 596 Africans among her population.

IN 1890 New York City had 455,334 boys and girls of schoolage.

ONLY 8 per cent. of the population of St. Louis live in tenements.

MISSISSIPPI has but 7,952 foreigners out of a population of 1,289,600.

OF the total potential militia 68.6 per cent., in 1890, were white.

ONLY 10.28 per cent. of the voting strength of this nation is colored.

NORTH CAROLINA has but 3,702 foreigners, out of a population of 1,017,970.

ART, SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY.

B. C. 3769. According to the Jewish tradition, the first city built by Cain, and weights used.

B. C. 3417. Tents made by Jubal, the harp invented by Jubal and metal working by Tubal-Cain.

B. C. 3130. The art of spinning and weaving invented by Noamah, a woman.

B. C. 2377. The first vineyard planted and wine made by Noah.

B. C. 2247. The first recorded use of bricks and mortar. Tower of Babel built at Babylon.

B. C. 2234. The first record made of astronomical observations; at Babylon.

B. C. 2122. Athotes, an Egyptian king, said to have invented hieroglyphics.

B. C. 2100. The first known sculptures and paintings were made in Egypt.

B. C. 2065. Surveying used in Egypt in laying out canals. The Pyramids built.

B. C. 1998. The cultivation of the rice plant introduced into China.

B. C. 1920. The precious metals first mentioned as a medium of exchange.

B. C. 1822. The Egyptian alphabet said to have been invented and used in inscriptions.

B. C. 1700. Metallic wire made by some unknown process.

B. C. 1582. The first authentic chronological records made; in Greece.

B. C. 1534. The first mention of dancing to music as an amusement.

B. C. 1506. The flute invented; the lyre and other musical instruments soon after.

B. C. 1490. The first pottery vessel made; simultaneously in Greece and Egypt.

B. C. 1486. The first wheeled vehicle made; said to be a chariot.

Pity the Baby's Eyes.

What is the matter with our American eyes, asks a writer. Are our optics growing weaker under our advancing civilization? That the wearing of "glasses" is constantly increasing seems undeniable, but no satisfactory explanation has been given. It has been suggested that the common habit of surrounding infants with dazzling white may be responsible for untold damage to the helpless victims, and this explanation seems plausible. How often we see a white-robed child lying face upward in a white-trimmed coach, blinking helplessly at a white canopy, attended by a nurse attired in glaring white! For all the poor little sufferer can see, the whole world is white, and with it a glare of sunshine added, the wonder is that its eyes are not hopelessly destroyed at once. Any one who has experienced "snow-blindness" can appreciate in some degree the effect of this dazzling monotony on the tender eyes of an infant. We suggest that parents give this hint due consideration. We cannot be too careful of the eyesight of our American girls and boys.

AGUE AND MALARIA.

As Described by a Medical Writer.

The regular, old-fashioned fever and ague, or chills and fever, is, indeed, bad enough, but far worse to bear is that kindred disease, chronic malaria. The old-time chills and fever would produce a distinct chill, followed by fever and sweating, when the victim would have a respite of one, two or three days in which to recuperate and regain his courage and strength. But not so with chronic malaria. Every day, morning, noon and night, chronic malaria will plague and tease its victim with miserable, creeping rigors, nasty, cold sweats, bitter taste, coated tongue, sallow skin, loss of appetite, confused mental faculties, heavy, stupid, listlessness, and a host of similar symptoms as infernal as they are persistent; not a day's intermission not an hour's cessation. Work is a wearisome worry, study sickening and senseless, and play a prosy impossibility.

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