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Washington experts estimate the population of the country to be 96,496,000, and that the amount of money in circulation is \$3,350,727,580. Therefore you ought to have \$34.72 in your inside pocket.

There is no need for the merchants in the smaller towns and cities to fear the effect of the parcels post system. Rather let them prepare to take every advantage of the new plan to send goods by mail to their rural patrons. It offers a splendid opportunity for the country merchants to increase their trade.—Ex.

Who is the greatest woman in all history? One hundred and fifty school teachers recently answered the question, and with enthusiasm and unanimity the judges awarded the prize to the one who made this reply: "The wife of a farmer of moderate means who does her own cooking, washing, ironing, sewing, brings up a family of boys and girls to be useful members of society and has time for intellectual improvement."—Freeport Journal.

Looking over the field of business, Dun's Review is optimistic. "The new year," it says, "opens with all the gains and advantages achieved during the last half of 1912. There is of course the lull usual during the closing days of the year, due to the holidays and the annual readjustments and inventories; but underlying conditions remain unchanged and the new year takes over from the old the increased agricultural wealth resulting from big crops, the great activity in the largest industries, especially iron and steel, the augmented confidence in nearly all branches of domestic trade, the record-breaking foreign commerce and the full employment of labor at high wages, insuring large buying power. With this legacy from 1912, the maintenance of a satisfactory volume of business, dur-

ing at least the earlier months of 1913, is apparently assured.—Ex.

It remains to be seen what the parcels post will do to the merchants in the smaller town—even in cities of this size. The country merchant is opposed to the parcel post. Speaking as a whole they believe it will hurt their business. They think it is a decided advantage to the big city store. Maybe it will be. There are arguments for and against. As the old saying runs, the proof of the pudding is the eating thereof. We shall soon know. One thing is certain and sure if the local merchant does not keep in touch with his patrons he cannot hope to retain their trade. If the parcels post is the means of bringing the tradesmen to the door, figuratively speaking, the local merchant must be up and doing to beat the mail order houses to it. The latter are past-masters in the advertising game, and the average local merchant needs more than a correspondence school course in advertising to hold his own with them. The advantage is all on the side of the local merchant if he is wise enough to see it. But growling over the parcel post won't help any. It's here to stay. It's up to the local merchant to face it. Advertise.—Harvard Herald.

Live Stock Breeders' Meeting.

Farmers and live stock breeders of Illinois are anticipating a happy and instructive time at the 18th annual meeting of the Illinois Live Stock Breeders' Association to be held in Springfield, February 4 to 6. Among the great attractions will be the great stock judging contest, in which many farmers and farmers' sons will compete for certificates as expert judges and for the many prizes that will be given away.

Prominent among the speakers who will address this convention is Dr. Walter Williams, Dean of the School of Journalism of the University of Missouri, whose subject will be "On the Sky-line of the State." Dr. Williams is recognized as America's foremost man in his line.

Dr. M. Dorset, of Washington, D. C., will address the session of the Hog Breeders' Association on February 5th on "Legislation with Reference to Hog Cholera."

The first session of the Convention will meet at nine o'clock a. m., February 4th and will be in charge of the Illinois Cattle Feeders' Association; the afternoon program of the same day will be in charge of the Illinois Horse Breeders' Association, and in the evening, Dr. Williams will speak.

On Wednesday morning, February 5th, the Illinois Sheep Breeders' As-

sociation and the Illinois Cattle Breeders' Association will give the program and on the afternoon of that day, the Illinois Swine Breeders' Association will be in charge of the session.

On Wednesday evening, February 5, will be held the annual banquet, which is the great social feature and good fellowship meeting of the convention. Thursday, February 6th, is set aside for the annual stock judging contest for expert judges' certificates. Hundreds of dollars' worth of valuable prizes will be given to Illinois farmers and stockmen who show proficiency in judging one kind of live stock, viz: horses, sheep, beef cattle, dairy cattle, or swine.

Copies of the proceedings of the last annual meeting may be had upon application to Sidney B. Smith, Secretary, Springfield, Illinois.

SCHOOL NEWS

The fourth grade is making a picture study of "My Dog" by Landser. Candance Robinson and Einar Anderson have been absent several days from the first grade on account of bad colds.

Allen Conant was absent from the sixth grade three days this week on account of sickness.

The seventh grade history class is studying and illustrating by diagram Washington's campaign in the Revolution.

Milton and Mervyn Murphy, of Campus, entered the fourth grade this week.

Miss Hatting, Miss Fox and Miss Rosendahl attended the Primary teachers' Round Table at Pontiac Saturday. Twenty-one in all were present.

The construction work this week has been based on the four-inch square. From that a chest, davenport, chair and stand have been developed.

In the arithmetic test Wednesday morning, eighteen of the sixth grade received a grade of 100 per cent.

Leslie Hansen has been absent from the seventh grade on account of illness.

Spelling books were made for the work learned in January.

The first grade are beginning folding and cutting and will go through six books of it before school closes.

The third grade in the second room has been doing some very good work in sight reading.

The sixth grade history class are reading the story, "How Pontiac Besieged Detroit."

Josephine Kroll has been absent from the seventh grade one day the past week.

The second grade wrote excellent compositions this week about the picture, "Helping Hand."

West Side Notes.

The first grade have a fine new sand table. This will be a great addition to their equipment.

Mrs. Chas. McWilliams, Mrs. Iva Graves, Mrs. J. C. Nelson visited the first grade this week.

Mrs. Campbell presented the second grade with a very nice organ. The second graders take this method of thanking her for her thoughtful and liberality.

The first graders are making furniture for the Bear's house.

Mrs. Dave Rilling visited the second grade this week.

The second graders made Eskimo sleds in their busy work this week.

High School.

The Junior play, "Mr. Bob," will be given at the Dwight Opera House Friday evening, February 7th.

The Semester examinations were held last week. The general averages in each subject of each pupil, for the past half year were mailed to the parents of the high school pupils.

The Girls' Basket Ball team played Forrest Friday evening.

Following is the program to be given Friday, January 31.

Music, Girls' Glee Club
The Vagabonds, May Judge
An Average Boy, Ida Thompson
Piano Solo,
Story, Mildred Eyer
Current Events, Julius Epstein
Music, Glee Club
The Twins, Thos. Haggerty
A Scene in a Bus, Dorothy Baker,
Frank Geis, Randall Kime, Cora Williams.

Paper, Rebecca Epstein
Dialogue, A Conjugal Lesson,
..... Edith Short, Clarence Riley

Advertised Letters.

List of letters remaining in the Post Office at Dwight, county of Livingston, state of Illinois, unclaimed January 23, 1913.

To obtain any of the following letters, call for Advertised Letters, giving date of List.

If not delivered will be sent to Dead Letter Office February 6, 1913.

Amanti, Toni, Arndt, Erick, Cole, James, (Post Card) Henry, Mr., Nevlin, Chas., Perkins, John T., Snouse, Rev. Wm., (Post Card) Styvaert, T. P., Nigra, Giuseppe, (Foreign).

Wm. G. Dustin, Postmaster.



What was the Ancient Form of Books?—Books were originally written on finely-prepared skins or parchment, united together in rolls; all the Scriptures in use among the ancient Hebrews were in this form. These roll books were called "volumina," hence the English word "volume" as it refers to books.

What is an Annular Eclipse of the Sun?—When the moon covers the face of the sun, excepting the edge all round, so as to leave a ring of light.

What were the Masonic Guilds of the Middle Ages?—They were fraternities of practical architects and masons, who were employed to rear the ecclesiastical structures which still survive to attest the piety of the founders. They moved from country to country, fostered by the church, and protected by the rulers who required their services.

What is Remarkable about the Eyes of Insects?—They are usually much projected, and consist of a vast number of distinct lenses, which enable them to see on all sides.

What was the Arm in Arm Convention?—A name given to a convention of Republicans who supported President Johnson's policy of reconstruction. So named because members from Massachusetts and South Carolina entered the hall arm in arm.

Who were the Sophists?—They were a class of reasoners contemporary with Socrates and Pericles, who took their designation from sophos, wise; but they brought reasoning into contempt by endeavoring to cast uncertainty over the most obvious truths. Hence, specious arguments are called sophistry.

Who was called "Young Hickory"?—Andrew Jackson was called "Old Hickory." James K. Polk was born in the same state as Jackson, North Carolina, and settled in the same state, Tennessee, and a certain resemblance in their political feelings led the admirers of Polk to call him "Young Hickory."

What is Latent Heat?—Heat which is concealed in a body, and does not manifest its presence under ordinary circumstances.

Who was the Plumed Knight?—A reference to James G. Blaine in the speech of Robert G. Ingersoll, who nominated Blaine as a candidate for president at the Cincinnati convention in 1876. Ingersoll said: "Like an armed warrior, like a plumed knight, James G. Blaine marched down the halls of the American congress and threw his shining lance, full and fair, against the brazen forehead of every defamer of this country and maligner of its honor."

What is the summer population of birds in Illinois?—From investigation made by Professor S. A. Forbes, of the University of Illinois, the total summer population of birds in Illinois numbers about thirty and one half million, of which five and one half million are English sparrows.

How were Books Prepared before the invention of Printing?—Among the Greeks and Romans, professional transcribers were employed to write copies of books for general circulation. The process of transcription was both slow and expensive.

What is the highest ascent made in a balloon?—The highest balloon ascension of which there is any authentic record was that of M. Berson, July 31, 1901. He had with him a provision of compressed oxygen, and took observations at 34,500 feet at which time he became unconscious. As he was still rising he probably reached the height of 36,000 feet.

What was the Renaissance?—The French term "Renaissance" signifies a new birth or renewal, and is applied to the revival of art and literature in Italy and France in the 16th century.

Who are the Landseers?—They are a family of artists—the father, John Landseer, an engraver (died in his eightieth year, 1852), and three sons: Thomas, engraver; Charles, a painter; and Sir Edwin (died 1873), celebrated for his numerous fine paintings of deer and other animals.

Attention, Mr. Farm Buyer

ILLINOIS FARMS

No. 1. 112 acres located 1/2 mile East and 2 1/2 miles South of Verona, Grundy county, Ill., with small set of improvements. Best of soil. Needs some tile which will make it a splendid little farm. Price **\$185.00** per acre.

No. 3. 315 acres located 5 miles South and 1/2 mile East of Dwight, and 5 miles West of Campus, in Livingston county, Ill. This is a very fine farm with a good set of improvements and the best of prairie soil, and well tiled. Any man with a family would make no mistake on this farm as it is a good one and a money maker. Price **\$225.00** per acre.

No. 5. 208 acres adjoining the Village of Wilson on the C. I. & S. Ry., in Round Grove township, Livingston county, Ill. This farm is considered to be well tiled with a good set of improvements. In fact this is one of the choice farms of this country. Price per acre **\$250.00**.

No. 6. 160 acres located 1/2 mile West and 2 1/2 miles South of Dwight, Livingston county. This is a splendid farm, well tiled, with a good set of improvements. Will make a very fine home. Price **\$250.00** per acre.

No. 7. 80 acres located 1/2 mile West and 2 miles South of Dwight, in Livingston county, with the best of soil and fairly good set of improvements. We can make very attractive terms on this farm. Price **\$250.00** per acre.

No. 9. 120 acres situated 1/2 mile East and 3 1/2 miles South of Verona, in Highland township, Grundy county. This is a choice 120 with a fairly good set of improvements, good well and thoroughly tiled. School house on the farm, near the buildings. There is no better land in Highland township. Price on this farm **\$250.00** per acre.

No. 10. 320 acres, situated 1 mile South of Campus, in Broughton township, Livingston county, Ill. It has a fairly good set of improvements and is tiled. Best of soil. Price

\$200.00 per acre. This is a bargain at the price.

No. 11. 80 acres, situated 4 miles South-west of Nevada, in Nevada township, Livingston county, Ill. Fair improvements and fairly well tiled, with the best of soil. This will bear close investigation. Price **\$185.00** per acre.

No. 12. 160 acres, situated 6 miles East of Pontiac. It has a fair set of improvements, and is fairly well tiled. Only **\$200.00** per acre.

No. 13. 80 acres, situated 4 miles East of Odell, and 5 1/2 miles South of Dwight, in Union township, Livingston county. It has fairly good set of improvements and is fairly well tiled. It is in a splendid neighborhood. Price **\$210.00** per acre.

No. 14. 160 acres, situated 3 miles West of Campus, in Dwight township, Livingston county. Fair set of improvements, well tiled. Splendid corn farm. Price **\$200.00** per acre.

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