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Taking Under Difficulties.
The census of the British is a matter of difficulty in certain districts. A native official was called to take a census of what was supposed to be a populous village in Uganda. He returned with the report that there was no population, the explanation being that the inhabitants had fled before his approach. More pre-arrangements were given to him and he returned another visit to the village. The result of his inquiry was given in the tabulated form: Number of inhabitants, men over 18 years of age, 0; women over 18 years of age, 0; children, 0; to-
—C. H. H. H.

Cataract Cannot be Cured.
CATARACTS, as they cannot be removed, are a constitutional disease, and in order to cure them, you must take internal remedies. The best is the one known as the "Cataract Cure," which acts on the blood and mucous surfaces. It is a quick medicine, and is prescribed by one of the best physicians in the country for years, and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics, combined with the best blood-purifying agents, and is the only medicine that contains the two ingredients of such products which would result in a cure. It is sold by J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass., and is sold by all druggists. Price 75c. The Family Physician the best.

Not in His Line.
A very pretty young woman slipped on the stone steps in front of her father's house, spraining her knee. She called for a doctor, but the knee finally healed so that she was persuaded to take medical advice. She wouldn't consent to that one, but finally she would consent to having called a certain spruce-looking young man, who was a homeopathic medicine case, to attend the house every day. He finally kept a sharp lookout, and he came along called him in. The young lady modestly raised her hand and showed the disabled member. The young man looked at it and said: "That certainly is quite serious." "What do you do?" "I do nothing," he said. "I would refer you to a physician." "Can you not attend to it?" asked the girl. "I can't," answered the young man.

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An Impression.
A kind of discouraged "bout that matter," said Mrs. Cornstossel. "I'm up," answered the farmer. "I don't want to use o' tryin' to suit my own 'o' those fellows that write articles for the magazine—Washington Star."

Automobiles.
The close of 1905, eighty-five thousand automobiles were in use in the United States, or one to every one hundred inhabitants. New York State has twenty-three thousand six hundred and fifty machines in use, and California has only three.

No Chance.
If you think a curfew law is a good thing for the town why bring the matter up before the town meeting?—That's the trouble. We haven't any fathers. Some of 'em are old and the rest of 'em live in the town house.

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The Bivouac of the Dead.
The muffled drum's sad roll has beat
The soldier's last tattoo;
No more on life's parade shall meet
That brave and fallen few.
On fame's eternal camping ground
Their silent tents are spread,
And Glory guards, with solemn round,
The bivouac of the dead.

No rumor of the foe's advance
Now swells upon the wind;
No troubled thoughts at midnight haunts
Of loved ones left behind;
No vision of the morrow's strife
The warrior's dream alarms;
No braying horn nor screaming life
At dawn shall call to arms.

Their shivered swords are red with rust,
Their plumed heads are bowed;
Their haughty banner, trailed in dust,
Is now their martial shroud.
And piteous funeral tears have washed
The red stains from each brow,
And the proud forms, by battle gashed,
Are free from anguish now.

The neighing troops, the flashing blade,
The bugle's stirring blast,
The charge, the dreadful cannonade,
The din and shout, are past;
No war's wild note nor glory's peal
Shall thrill with fierce delight
Those breasts that never more may feel
The rapture of the fight.

Like the fierce northern hurricane
That sweeps his great plateau,
Flushed with the triumph yet to gain,
Came down the serried foe.
Who heard the thunder of the fray
Break o'er the field beneath,
Knew well the watchword of that day
Was "Victory or Death."

Long had the doubtful conflict raged
O'er all that stricken plain,
For never fiercer fight had waged
The vengeful blood of Spain;
And still the storm of battle blew,
Still swelled the gory tide;
Not long, our stout old chieftain knew,
Such odds his strength could bide.

'Twas in that hour his stern command
Called to a martyr's grave
The flower of his beloved land,
The nation's flag to save.
By rivers of their fathers' gore
His first-born laurels grew,
And well he deemed the sons would pour
Their lives for glory, too.

Full many a northern's breath has swept
O'er Angostura's plain,
And long the pitying sky has wept
Above its mouldered slain.
The raven's scream, or eagle's flight,
Or shepherd's pensive lay,
Alone awakes each sullen height
That frowned o'er that dread fray.

Sons of the Dark and Bloody Ground,
You must not slumber there,
Where stranger steps and tongues re-
sound
Along the heedless air,
Your own proud land's heroic soil
Shall be your fitter grave;
She claims from war his richest spoil—
The ashes of her brave.

of this country which must be solved if their trade with that and other South American countries is to be extended.

Of Britain's imports in 1904 the leading articles were the manufactures of cotton, which amounted to \$18,744,912; manufactures of iron and steel, \$16,107,644; breadstuffs, \$13,809,731; wine, \$7,685,625; provisions, \$7,207,480, and coal, \$6,183,638. Of all these, with the possible exception of wine, the United States is a manufacturer, or agricultural producer, and it seems absurd that Brazil should be obliged to seek them in Europe instead of from her North American neighbor.

Of the exports from Brazil during the same period coffee and rubber comprised the principal articles. For the six months ended June 30, 1904 and 1905, the value of coffee exported amounted to \$31,113,915 and \$33,449,041, and the value of the rubber to \$29,443,877 and \$39,610,439, respectively. This shows an increase in rubber exports of \$10,166,562 for the six months under review.

In recent years a large amount of foreign capital has been invested in Brazilian enterprises, especially in the city of Rio Janeiro. German capitalists have established steamship lines for coast service, and American and Canadian capitalists have acquired the car lines, gas works and telephone service at Rio Janeiro, the money invested being closely estimated at \$25,000,000.

This, however, is only the beginning of the invasion of Brazil by foreign enterprise. There is a determined movement now being made to revolutionize the trade conditions there. The United States is reaching out to grasp what it considers to be its fair share of the trade which has been controlled so long by Great Britain and Germany. The greatest obstacle in the way of its passage to the desired goal is the weakness of the merchant marine of this country. American exporters have not the facilities for transporting their goods to Brazil which are enjoyed by their rivals in Europe, and until this obstacle is removed the progress of American trade must necessarily be slow.

The record of the ports of Brazil for the year 1904 is a sad one for study by American exporters. During the year 17,407 sailing vessels and steamers entered the ports, with an aggregate tonnage of 11,879,563, being an increase of 1,339 in the number of vessels and \$11,265 in the tonnage, and of these the American flag is represented as among the 299 of "other countries" not specified because of the small number of their ships.

BEAUTIFUL AND CLEVER.
Baroness Rosen One of the Most Popular Women in Washington.
One of the most beautiful and clever women in Washington is Baroness Rosen, wife of the Russian ambassador.

She is the confident and adviser of her husband and nothing is done by the latter unless the baroness is first consulted. The latter is well acquainted with American ways, having been with her husband when he was consul general at New York and likewise at Washington when he was charge d'affaires there. It was in Washington that their only child, Miss Elizabeth, now a sprightly girl of 16, was born. Baroness Rosen is the daughter of Gen. Odintzoff, a famous Russian soldier and governor of Nijni Novgorod. She takes a prominent place in Washington society and has made many friends both for herself and her husband by her cleverness, tact and great beauty.

A Veteran.
A member of the bar of Baltimore relates how a witness in a trial suit in that city once "got back" at the lawyer who had been endeavoring to "rattle" the witness by a severe cross-examination.

At a certain point in the proceedings the witness suddenly interrupted the cross-examining lawyer by exclaiming: "Look here! You needn't think you kin rattle me by askin' all them questions."
"No?" was the sarcastic rejoinder.
"No, sirree!" came in emphatic tones from the refractory witness. "Your questions don't bother me at all. I've raised three sons an' two grandsons, an' I've been in training a good many years."—Harper's Weekly.

CONTAGIOUS BLOOD POISON

HUMILIATING—VILE—DESTRUCTIVE

The very name, Contagious Blood Poison, suggests contamination and dread. It is the worst disease the world has ever known; responsible for more unhappiness and sorrow than all others combined. Nobody knows anything about the origin of this loathsome trouble, but as far back as history goes it has been regarded the greatest curse of mankind.

No part of the body is beyond the reach of this powerful poison. No matter how pure the blood may be, when the virus of Contagious Blood Poison enters, the entire circulation becomes corrupted, the humiliating symptoms begin to appear, and the sufferer finds himself diseased from head to foot with the vilest and most destructive of all poisons. Usually the first symptom is a small sore or ulcer, so insignificant that it rarely ever excites suspicion, but in a short while the skin breaks out in a red rash, the glands of the groin swell, the throat and mouth ulcerate, the hair and eye-brows come out, and often the body is covered with copper-colored spots, pustular eruptions and sores.

There is hardly any limit to the ravages of Contagious Blood Poison; if it is not driven from the blood it affects the nerves, attacks the bones, and in extreme cases causes tumors to form on the brain, producing insanity and death. No other disease is so highly contagious; many an innocent person has become infected by using the same toilet articles, handling the clothing, by a friendly handshake or the kiss of affection from one afflicted. But no matter how the disease is contracted, the sufferer feels the humiliation and degradation that accompany the vile disorder.

Mercury and Potash are commonly used in the treatment of Contagious Blood Poison, but these minerals cannot cure the disease—they merely mask it in the system. All external evidences may disappear for a while, but the treacherous poison is at work on the internal members and tissues, and when these minerals are left off the disease returns worse than before, because the entire system has been weakened and damaged by the strong action of the Mercury and Potash. There is but one certain, reliable cure for Contagious Blood Poison, and that is S. S. S., the great vegetable blood purifier. It attacks the disease in the right way by going down into the blood, neutralizing and forcing out every particle of the poison. It makes the blood pure and rich, strengthens the different parts of the body, tones up the system, and cures this humiliating and destructive disorder permanently.

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Afraid of the Smell.
Bill—Although birds are credited with a sense of smell, an English expert finds turkeys indifferent to all odors.
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