

GOLDEN GATE CITY LEADS.

San Francisco Shows the Largest Percentage of Suicides—Chicago Ranks Third.

The number of people who voluntarily shuffled off this mortal coil in American and other cities during last year has been investigated by some delver in statistics and the following figures indicate the results: San Francisco leads with the largest ratio, 39.1 per 100,000 of population. Next comes another Pacific coast city, Los Angeles, with a ratio of 29.8. The reader has naturally been looking for Chicago, and that city does, in fact, come next with a ratio of 24.0, followed by the neighboring city of Milwaukee, whose ratio is 22.2. New Orleans was the scene of the self-destruction of 21.8 persons per 100,000 of population, and Cincinnati followed close with 21.2. New Haven is next with 20.9, and then comes the borough of Manhattan with 20.0, though greater New York as a whole is well down the list with a ratio of only 13.6. This is less than Rochester, Indianapolis, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Baltimore, Boston, Detroit, Omaha and Louisville, besides all of those specifically enumerated above. As to the foreign cities, Paris leads the list with a ratio of 42, followed by Berlin 36, Vienna 28 and London 23. There were more suicides in Saxony than in any other country, 31.1 per 100,000. In Denmark the ratio was 25.8, in Austria 21.2, in France 15.7, in the German empire 14.3, and Sweden, Norway, Belgium, Great Britain, Italy, the United States and Spain followed in the order given.

The table referring to American cities is somewhat difficult to explain. Why the city of the golden gate, and California, with its glorious climate, its sunshine, its fruit and its flowers, should show the greatest number of suicides seems a mystery, unless the presence of a large Chinese population explains it. The high suicide rate of Chicago is, perhaps, accounted for by the rush and struggle of that great city and the large foreign element it contains—a foreign element, moreover, which comes mainly from those countries where suicide is most frequent. The same is perhaps true of Milwaukee and of Cincinnati. The high rate at New Orleans may possibly be attributed to its relation to France and the ideas and traditions brought here from Paris, the suicide capital of the world. But New York city casts a cloud over some of these explanations. Here are the large foreign populations, the stress and strain of living and working, the poverty, the excitement. Yet Philadelphia, the sleeping city of the humorous parographers, has a higher ratio of suicides than greater New York. And how is it to be explained that New Haven leads all the other New England cities in the number of suicides? St. Paul and Minneapolis lie side by side, but in Minneapolis the ratio is 11.4 and in St. Paul it is but 6.5. It seems that the conclusions must be that there is no method in suicide madness and that the effort to reduce it to sale is doomed to failure.

MESSAGES ALONG THE LINE.

All of Them Went. But Some of Them Not Intended for Headquarters.

During some maneuvers at Aldershot to put in practice the vedette system of employing cavalry to watch and report the movements of an enemy, the mounted troops employed on the occasion were extended at intervals over a wide expanse. The major at one end of the line, says the London Telegraph, had occasion to send a message to the captain, who was at the opposite end:

"The enemy are in force in front."

The signal was passed along the line all right till it came to a man stationed about midway, who thought fit to add a private message of his own, intended only for the benefit of his neighbor:

"Have you a chew of tobacco?"

Unluckily his comrades thought these words were a part of the original message, and they were passed from man to man till they reached the captain. The latter was somewhat astonished at the request, but sent back this answer:

"I don't chew tobacco, but here are two cigars."

The major found the cigars welcome, and as he lighted one sent back the answer:

"Who said you did?"

Where Newspapers Are Scarce.

In Paraguay there is a little communistic colony known as the Cosmo colony, which was founded several years ago by an enthusiastic band of Australian socialists. After many hardships and privations the colony is now in such a flourishing condition as to boast a newspaper of its own, called the Cosmo Monthly. The manner in which news is dispensed to the colonists is interesting. A horn is blown, generally twice, with half an hour's gathering time between. The colonists assemble and the reader for the occasion gives out his news, which consists of interesting items selected from the latest weekly papers and dispatches from the Asuncion daily paper, which the colonists receive twice a week.

Everybody wants to know what The Oregonian has to say.



CRYING!

What for? If you ask her she will tell you she doesn't know. She just feels nervous, that's all. A man is apt to have very little sympathy with this condition in his wife. He can't see any earthly reason why she should cry. She has plenty to eat, plenty to wear, and he does everything he can, he thinks, to make her happy; and in spite of that, she sits down and cries softly to herself, apparently without any cause or reason. But there is a cause, and that cause is some disorder or disease of the delicate womanly organism. Unhealthy drains have taken away the vital force. Inflammation is fretting the nerves of the whole body. If women did but understand the intimate relation of the general health to the local health of the delicate womanly organs, they would realize that the quick way to establish the general health is to cure the local disorders. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription dries the drains that enfeeble women, heals inflammation and ulceration and cures female weakness. It is a medicine that can absolutely be relied upon to make weak women strong and sick women well. It contains no alcohol, and is entirely free from opium, cocaine and all other narcotics.

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NO USE FOR DOCTORS.

"About five years ago I had very poor health," writes Mrs. S. E. Whalen, of Holden, Johnson Co., Missouri. "After doctoring four years with our town doctors they gave me case up; said they had done all they could. I had been confined to my bed half my time; the other half could hardly drag around. I had such pains in my back and abdomen I could not stand on my feet for more than a few minutes. My feet were cold or burning, and my periods came too often. The doctors said it was change of life, so, as I had heard of Dr. Pierce's medicines, my husband got me a bottle of 'Favorite Prescription.' I took it and it helped me in some ways, so I wrote to you and followed your advice. I commenced 'Favorite Prescription,' 'Golden Medical Discovery' and the 'Pleasant Pellets,' as I was so constipated all the time and pills would weaken me so that I would have to go to bed. To the great surprise of everybody I got well, and when I met my friends they would say, 'I never thought you would be here now.' But I can say it was your medicine, which no doubt is the best in the world. Have had no use for doctors since I tried your medicine."

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Curling Popular in Canada.

One of the most popular of Canadian winter sports, says St. Nicholas, is curling, which is said to have originated in Scotland. To the uninitiated the sight is that of four men sweeping the ice; but there is method in the game, and the curling stones and tees are arranged carefully, for a scientific player is keen to take advantage of every ruling. The tees are placed 38 yards apart; the players stand behind a tee, and the score is marked on the ice seven yards in front of each tee. Of course, the game is to keep the stone within certain limits, a feat not easily accomplished.

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Admiral Dewey is violently ill with an influenza that is expected to develop pneumonia. He is at the Hotel Cambridge in New York City.

LOCAL MARKETS.

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STEERS—\$3 50@2 75 per hundred.

VEAL—Dressed, 6c per pound.

SHEEP—\$3 50@4 00.

HOGS—Live, 5½c@5c; dressed, 6c @7c per pound.

She Didn't Want Much.



Elderly Woman—Remember, I'm not particular about having a striking likeness, but I must have a pretty picture.

Certainly Animals Think.

Church—Do you believe that animals think?

Gotham—Certainly. Doesn't the car hog who takes up all the seat think he owns the car?—Yonkers Statesman.

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Morrow county has thousands of head of sheep, horses and cattle. The wool production for 1904 was 2,500,000 pounds. Alfalfa and fruit growing are profitable industries, rapidly growing in importance. The county has also a great coal field, soon to be developed.

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