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GOSSIP AND NEWS FROM ACROSS GREAT SALT POND

Guard Special Service.

London, Dec. 11.—Sir Jervoise A. Baines gave his inaugural address before the Royal Statistical Society recently, his subject being "The recent growth of the ppopulation in Western Europe." The population with which he dealt numbered in 1900 about 239,000,000, and his remarkable conclusion will doubtless cause much comment.

He stated that the Teutonic element in this population rose from 53 to 58 per cent and the Latin fell from 44 to 40 per cent. Ireland alone having an actual decreasing population, the decrease being over 17 per cent. The general increase was just under 31 per cent.

A generation ago the marriage rate was held to be a good barometer of prosperity, but new factors had entered into the case. Statistics indicate, on the whole, a sligth falling off in the general rate during the last thirty years, more pronounced amongst the already low rates of Scandinavia than elsewhere, and in France and Italy than in the central countries. It was in the South that a woman seemed to have the best chance of a husband, though from Denmark southwards Central Europe was apparently on the up-grade in this line.

Of all the progressive countries Finland presented the greatest falling off. In Ireland there was a decline of nearly 19 per cent., and in the last decade less than one-third of the women were married. The increased avoidance of matrimony was most marked throughout the United Kingdom and North Scandinavia, and this, in the northern aggregate, almost neutralized the growing connubiality of Germany and most of its neighbors, and even of the already exuchly marriad Italy.

The deliberate limitation of the number of children born in the world is not by any meons a new idea, but until the present generation it was in France alone that the systematic adoption that the limitation of offspring without abstention from marriage permeated the whole of the society.

Judging from the returns at hand, there has been a universal improvement in the case of infantile mortality, most marked in countries like Bavaria, Saxony, Prussia, Italy, and Holland, where the rate thirty years ago was remarkably high.

Pianist Is Wild.

"If I had had a pistol I would have shot you," thundered Paderewski, in his retiring room, to a crestfallen phonograph fiend, who was caught redhanded at Belfast Philharmonic Society's concert, in the act of attempting to take records of his playing in Ulster hall.

The famous pianist stopped dead in the middle of one of his best selections and directed the attendants to investigate the cause of his annoyance.

They proceeded to the back of the hall, and after a few minutes' watching, secured the offender, who had ensconced himself in the niche beside one of the doors.

Two Baby Farmers.

Two prisoners, Frederick and Kate Chalker, showed astounding indifference when again brought up at the South-Western police court, charged with the slaughter of two children, and with neglecting and exposing several other children, whom they had taken into their charge at various times for monetary consideration.

The prisoners, it is alleged, had carried on a baby-farming business at Penge, receiving children from different parts of the country. They were arrested by Detective-Sergeant Cooper while exposing three children in the cold morning. Two of these children afterward died, and at an inquest, conducted by Dr. Troutbeck, a verdict of "manslaughter" was returned against both prisoners.

Statue To Captain Webb.

Next month there will be unveiled at Dover a statue to the memory of Capt. Matthew Webb, the only man to swim across the English Channel. Recent years has seen many attempts to emulate his great feat, but so far the great sailor-swimmer, who met such a tragic end at Niagra, is the only man to swim from England to France.

Webb made his first appearance as a swimmer on July 3, 1875, when he swam from Blackwall to Gravesend (19 miles 2 furlongs in 4h. 52m. 44s. On July 29, 1875, he swam from Dover to Ramsgate (18 miles). He failed to swim the Channel on August 28, 1875, but on August 24 and 25 of the same year he succeeded in crossing from Dover to Calais in 21h. 45m. He was drowned in an attempt to swim the Niagara Rapids on July 24, 1883.

Many Unemployed.

With the arrival of winter the question again arises, what is to be done for the unemployed derelicts who nightly wend their way to the Thames Embankment, there to huddle together on the seats, under the archways, and even on the pavement. Quite an army of 600 men and women, mostly men young and old, either out of work or too old to work, all humin wreckage, can be seen there every night. They have neither home, lodgings, food nor money. The Church Army and the Salvation Army have fed these outcasts with soup and bread. Lady Knill, the Mayoress, has personally visited the Embankment, and what she saw she declares to be a disgrace to our civilization. Yet scarcely a stone's throw away—in the Strand—well-dressed men and women nightly pass home from theatres, music halls, or restaurants! The Mayoress has decided to commence a scheme of operations to help these hopeless men and women, and she has enlisted the sympathy of Mr. John Burns and other influential men.

$200 TO CLEAR HIS CONSCIENCE

R. M. Robertson, of Spokane, for many years a resident of Albany, recently received, it is thought, from the Willamette Valley, a typewritten letter containing $200 in paper money, the letter reading as follows:

Mr. R. M. Robertson, 1420 3rd St., Spokane, Wash.

My dear sir:—I am inclosing $200 in currency, which is due you. You do not know it. No one but God and myself knows it, and I trust that you will not give yourself any concern about it. I am simply trying to make restitution of that which was wrongfully taken from you, together with interest. Hoping that you will forgive the wrong and that the Lord will bless you,

I am sincerely yours.

No place, no time, no signature. Mr. Robertson writes that he is duly thankful and wishes the author of the letter to know that he is forgiven, whoever the man is, or whatever the wrong was, not known by Mr. Robertson.

The incident is another strong one of the power of conscience to right a wrong.—Albany Democrat.

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Loss of Seventy-Five Thousand Sustained by Department Store

Walla Walla, Dec. 3.—The Motter-Wheeler store on Main street, one of the largest department store in Walla Walla was gutted by fire at 7:30 o'clock this morning.

The loss will exceed $75,000. An explosion of an office oil stove is responsible for the disastrous fire.

About five percent of the stock in the store was saved by employees and other willing hands. The stock was only partly insured.

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