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GVERPOPULATION.

The birth rate in civilized countries is diminishing. Is this fact alarming, however? Says the Medical Record in answer to the

alarming, however? Says the Medical Record in answer to the question:

"There are two sides to every question. Consequently the diminishing birth rate, or what Col. Rosesvelt so gibly termed race suicide, may have arguments in its favor. In fact, that it has features which mugt not be altogether condemned is evident. In the Popular Science Monthly. Scott Nearing instructor in economics in the University of Pennsylvania, briefly states the case for the limitation of families. At the beginning of the article has freely allows, that there is "a conscious restriction of the birth rate on the part of the vast majority of American families," but he contends that those who use methods to restrict the number of children should not only not be subjected to severe criticism and ridicule, but should be regarded as race saviors. The main argument addinced by Nearing in support of these opinions is that a continuace of the rate of increase which prevailed in the carried in an overpopulation with which it would have been difficult to cope, "Further than this, he points out that the death rate has been so greatly reduced that unless measures had been taken to limit the output of children the civilised world would be filled to overflowing with members of the, human race. Of course, Nearing argues as an economist. Owing to the high cost of living and the desire to live well and keep up appearances, the well-to-do parents of all classes, to a great extent, have taken steps to have few children, and thus the population mas been kept within reasonable bounds.

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"There is one feature of the situation, however, which Nearing has neighbored to notice, and that is that the increase of population continues without slacke in ingamong the least desirable portion of the community, and the result may be that the respectable, in telligent and law-abiding section will be swamped by the idle, ignorant and lawless. In Europe, and especially in Great Britain, this aspect of the question is exciting much alarm. In America, and in this country in particular, the uneducated and in some respects undesirable foreigner goverally has a large family and may in the course of time, by sheer force of numbers, gain control and outsite the comparatively few of antive stock. Although quality should at least-be kept to such a numerical point that there should be no feat of the more ignorant portion of the population occupying the seats of power. Nearing says that the family of eight, among the inhabitants has by ar-fificial means been reduced to reach among the ruhabitants has by artificial means been reduced to two and is inclined to regard it as a matter of congratulation. The question appears to be whether a family of this size is large nough to preserve the necessary equilibrium."

Important to our Readers.

In honour of the Coronation of King George V. we intend publishing a special edition of the Toris on Wednesday morning 21st inst. The paper of 11b is fully illustrated with leading personages of the rejublic.

We believe there will be a great call for these papers and so as to meet the demand we intend printing 5,000 copies. Will our agents on the lines let us know how many extra copies they require so that they may be able to meet their readers.

'As a special feature we will accept large advertisements from business men and others for this publication. We advise this opportunity as we feel certainthere will be many porsons in Limon from the lines and will awail themselvis of the opportunity of procuring one of these special numbers. Special advertisement for Coronation number must be sent in not later than Monday, 19th inst.

The Second Act in the Drama.

The decree expelling J. Washington Sterling and Charles. George Ferguson as dangerons foreigners was signed by the Government on Tuesday, Sterling as every one knows skipped out of the concity under an assumed name on Friday night by the s. s. "Heredial" while Ferguson has been ordered out by the "Cartago" leaving here for Colon on Wednesday afternoon: Cee Geo dias "Kunsul" taken from the vils influence of his Commander Sterling may benefit by the lesson he has received, in any cases on he has received, in any cases Sun Burke's Tariff is open to him in our Island home to which he retires we hope a saddete but a viser man. Robert Francis, the man who completed the Trip is now enjoying (!) a well sarned rest in the Government College which he may depart for the Government Smitzinium on the Pacific side where the wicked case from troubling while homest mensoloy their rest.

Military Display.

To the Elisor of the Times.

Sir.—As one who takes part on the pirale grounds of the Semi-Miltary display, which will eventually come off on the 22nd inst. I, would ask you to be so good as to publish this letter with the view of still encouraging all comeras to join and swell our ranks, I know a few who from both behindour names to be objected it; and one rives are personally trying to criticise, and discourage many who would be interested, with presant in viewnent on fort. We have the cone set and protection of the Gyrermuch, and it is promised that on god proof, of any such misson here that the said person or persons will be dealt with. This is a warraing.

Tranking you in advance for each of the cone of th Sir .- As one who takes part on

PETER J. BLACKMAN.

Siguirres Notes.

Destructive Earthquake in Mexico.

LOSS OF SEVERAL LIVES AND PROPERTY.

Mexico was visited by a disestrous earthquake on Friday, 9th inst., causing the 18s of many lices and the destruction of large and valuable buildings.

At the time of the carthquake there was a goodly number of soldiers in the Artillery cuntrel that fell, killing many and wounding about 40. The electric plant was also destroyed: this seismic shock caused an explosion in the plant audin consequence of which many parties perished. The Central Rulmord Station suffered in the caustropha, its massive building was crumbled to the grean Learnying with it an engineer. A part of the walls of the Government Palace was bricken; as also the Santa Domingo Cathedral. The Collinas Cathedral was a folder in the three caustroper was a former palace was bricken; as also the Santa Domingo Cathedral. The Collinas Cathedral was a folder in the trace convergation was in

Fire Sweeps Coney Island.

New York, May 27.—Coney Is-dand suffered the worst fire disas-tor of its history early to-lay. Dreamland, the largest of Cra-amisement parks, was wip of our and about four blocks a 1/p ning covered with booths, restaurants, hotels, moving pieture I matres and resorts of various kinds, were destroyed.

The fire broke out at 2 o'clock in the mirring and was not under costrol u stil three hours at 1 and 1 steer. The box will amount to aboit (\$30,20). In all, 20) bouidings were breat, and 2 o'll persons were turned into the streets houses and perioless. Notices were box.

The hard area represents nearly a third of the entire amuse ment city. The origin of the fire is believed to have been a pot of

Current Items.

The "Pactars" will sail for Manchester to day via Jamuica.

Mr. Mallias, the General Manager of the Noticea Riberth Light Chaos yesterlay morning at solelack out a special train for San Jose.

Takes has been a charge in the Lev Olice. Dur Modesto Grievara fits taken the place of Dur Al-berto Affaco. The present police prige has been a bayor in his morfor a long periou.

In order to make arreageneats for the Coronation manner to the fitter of the Tries will hence for San Joac to day. To day being a holiday no prepers with he have to morrow are Stately. We solicit the indulgence of our services of the same of the serious A Sanday manner will be issued.

A procession, can the of Misses Hitchies, Siesine irra Captain Over and alternative Mr. Lives were around the city posterday morning, prior to tak departure of their chief for Colon. Mrs. Hitchiesk expects returning to Sie Lieb this departure.

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Jamaica early on Monthy after-non art is expected to be there on Welcostry 21st, her passingers harding early next morning (Paristry) just in the for the Constitute festivities. This is a sale lide opports out for pleasure softers with ward (like to spen) a royal time at hom.

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Committee.

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ative are its law I vill appear in trease is one.

Let's Serotory was requested to compartical, expensively Societies, acquaining them of the new conditions and ask their cooperation. Committee will need on Wednesdey and Saturday evenings of this week at the State Office of the Mosaic Templars of America in front of Piaza de Toro.

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