

THE MORNING STAR.

NEWSPAPER CIRCULATION. Hubbard's "Newspaper and Book Directory of the World" gives some interesting figures concerning newspapers. We take pains to collate here and there some statistics and facts. There are 39,000 newspapers printed. Of this number about one-half are in English. The United States contains nearly one-third, or 2,500. Great Britain and Ireland print 3,000. Germany publishes 5,000. Paris published 1,300, and France total 2,500. It is worthy of note that London, with 4,000,000 inhabitants, has no more periodicals than Paris, with her 2,000,000; while New York city, with a population of 1,900,000, has about 500, and Brooklyn, with a population of 560,000, manages to grow big and clever with less than twenty-five newspapers of all degrees—in fact, with a considerably smaller number than are published in Copenhagen, whose inhabitants number 300,000; or in Stockholm, with 170,000 residents. Milan, Italy, publishes more newspapers than Boston, and as many as Philadelphia. The population of Milan is 275,000, and that of Philadelphia 85,000. Zurich, Switzerland, is about the size of Petersburg, Va. It publishes no less than 60 newspapers, which have a circulation of 70,000 per issue. Four are dailies, having a combined circulation of 25,000. Philadelphia, large as it is, has 850,000 daily circulation. London has 4,000,000 inhabitants and but 1,090,000 impressions a day. The nine dailies of Liverpool (population 525,000) have a combined daily circulation of only 255,000. Manchester (population 375,000) issues daily from six presses only 247,000 newspapers. Edinburgh (population 200,000) has four daily journals with an aggregate edition not larger than 120,000; while her neighbor, Glasgow (population 650,000), with six daily presses, calls for no more than 200,000 copies per day. Even Dublin does, proportionately, a trifle better than her Scottish neighbor, and considerably better than London; for her six presses daily give her 250,000 people 82,000 daily papers, or one copy to three inhabitants.

IN WAKE COUNTY ALONE there were 2,152 colored children and 2,540 white children who attended the public schools last year. There were 88 schools for whites and 94 for blacks. The taxes of Wake county are paid almost entirely by the whites. The Chicago *Liberator* is pointed to as an example of the way the tax-paying whites of the State are bearing the burden of educating the negroes. They are giving them the same opportunities they furnish the children of their own race.

It has been extremely cold in Virginia. In Calpeper the mercury fell to 24 below zero, and in Farmville to 20 degrees.

Abstract of Proceedings in Regular Session. The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session yesterday afternoon, at 5 o'clock; present, Col. W. L. Smith, chairman, and Commissioners B. G. Worth, H. A. Bagg, E. L. Pearce, and James A. Montgomery.

Proceedings of Regular Monthly Session. The Board of Aldermen met in regular monthly session at the City Hall yesterday evening, Mayor Fishback presiding.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. OPERA HOUSE. SPIRITUALISM.

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