

RACE SUICIDE ELSEWHERE.

IN HIS annual message the president brought forward again the subject of race suicide and hinted at its prevalence among the well-to-do classes, says the Chicago Record-Herald. "Surely," he said, "it would need no demonstration to show that wilful sterility is, from the standpoint of the nation, from the standpoint of the human race, the one sin for which the penalty is national death, race death, a sin which is the more dreadful exactly in proportion as the men and women guilty thereof are in other

respects, in character and bodily and mental powers, those whom for the sake of the state it would be well to see the fathers and mothers of many healthy children, well brought up in homes made happy by their presence."

In connection with this warning it may be interesting to know that conditions in the United States are not very exceptional. We learn from an article by James W. Barclay in the Nineteenth Century and After that the birth rate in the 15 European countries culminated in 1876, and that

there has been a steady decline since except in Russia. Another fact recorded is that the birth rate is highest in the poorest districts. The truth appears to be that America and Europe are having much the same experience. Almost everywhere the well-to-do have small families and the poor have large families. The country whose birth rate has not declined is remarkable for the poverty of its people and for its deplorable social conditions.

Mr. Barclay refers to a law on the subject which he says was first promulgated by Doubleday in 1841 and rejected by Mill. It runs as follows: "With improved conditions of life fertility of plants and animals (including man) declines, and it increases

when they are exposed to such unfavorable conditions as would threaten the extinction of the species." From this law the conclusions are reached that human volition has little to do with the birth rate and that the birth rate is inversely proportional to the well-being of its people.

Mr. Barclay is evidently of the opinion that the supply from "lower classes" is not dangerous. "Nature," he says, "without injustice or impartiality, gives in turn to individuals of every class a fair opportunity of securing her favors." But whatever theories may be advanced as to the operation of a law, the similarity of conditions is the interesting thing to observe. Fear may vanish at the thought that if the United States is committing suicide, so are the other nations.

A TELEPHONE MYSTERY.

Here's a curious scientific fact—in formation of which has just floated into the Journal office—which we should like to have some of the scientific experts explain to us, says the Atlanta Journal.

(It may be a thing that is more generally known than we are aware of, but it struck us as so new and so startling that, in spite of that possibility, we venture to repeat it.)

Take a telephone, a harmless, necessary desk phone, call up a friend and place the transmitter—the part you

ordinarily place against your lips—on your own chest instead. Just between the solar plexus and the place where your necktie disappears under the flap of your vest. Press it firmly there. Then talk. The person at the other end of the phone will hear just as plainly as if you were actually talking into the phone. Try it, and be convinced.

The explanation? "Vibrations?" Surely, but "vibrations" is only a word, after all.

What we want light on is this: Does

the chest act as a sounding board in this case? Just simply that and nothing more? Or do the nerves from the mouth and throat and upper part of the thorax, where the words are formed, act as electrical conductors—as wires—and complete the connection with the telephone apparatus?

"We're aware that we are not stating the case scientifically—but if we were scientists we shouldn't have to ask questions about it anyhow."

It's a most interesting fact, anyhow, and opens up whole vistas of experimentation and possible discovery for those who are interested in that sort of thing.

Z. C. M. I. GREAT JANUARY UNDERMUSLIN SALE



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85c value for.....55c	\$6.50 value for.....\$4.30
\$1.00 value for.....65c	\$7.00 value for.....\$4.65
\$1.10 value for.....70c	\$7.50 value for.....\$5.00
\$1.25 value for.....80c	\$8.00 value for.....\$5.35
\$1.50 value for.....\$1.00	\$9.00 value for.....\$6.00
\$1.75 value for.....\$1.20	\$10.00 value for.....\$6.65
\$2.00 value for.....\$1.35	\$11.00 value for.....\$7.35
\$2.50 value for.....\$1.65	\$12.00 value for.....\$8.00
\$2.75 value for.....\$1.85	\$15.00 value for.....\$10.00
\$3.00 value for.....\$2.00	\$18.00 value for.....\$12.00
\$4.50 value for.....\$3.00	\$20.00 value for.....\$13.35
\$4.75 value for.....\$3.15	\$24.00 value for.....\$16.00
\$5.00 value for.....\$3.35	\$26.00 value for.....\$17.35
\$5.50 value for.....\$3.65	\$30.00 value for.....\$20.00

Ladies' Night Gowns.

Trimmed with lace and embroidery—with and without tucking—in all the latest styles of neck and sleeve.

\$1.00 value for.....65c	\$4.00 value for.....\$2.65
\$1.25 value for.....85c	\$4.50 value for.....\$3.00
\$1.50 value for.....\$1.00	\$5.00 value for.....\$3.35
\$1.75 value for.....\$1.15	\$6.00 value for.....\$4.00
\$2.00 value for.....\$1.35	\$7.00 value for.....\$4.65
\$2.50 value for.....\$1.75	\$8.00 value for.....\$5.35
\$2.75 value for.....\$1.85	\$9.00 value for.....\$6.00
\$3.00 value for.....\$2.00	\$10.00 value for.....\$6.65
\$3.50 value for.....\$2.40	\$12.00 value for.....\$8.35
\$3.75 value for.....\$2.50	\$15.00 value for.....\$10.00

Z. C. M. I.

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MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY—JAN. 7-8-9

Embracing all Undermuslins for Ladies and Children, including Infants' wear. Fine new line that we have just received for the Spring season, consisting of lace and embroidery trimmed Skirts, Gowns, Chemise, Drawers, Corset Covers, etc.,

ONE-THIRD LESS THAN REGULAR PRICES

Ladies' and Children's Drawers.

Made with plain tucks—tucks and hemstitching—embroidery and lace insertion and edging effects. Our variety is large and well selected.

15c value for.....10c	75c value for.....50c	\$2.00 value for.....\$1.35
20c value for.....15c	80c value for.....55c	\$2.25 value for.....\$1.50
25c value for.....15c	85c value for.....55c	\$2.50 value for.....\$1.65
30c value for.....20c	90c value for.....60c	\$2.75 value for.....\$1.85
35c value for.....20c	\$1.00 value for.....65c	\$3.00 value for.....\$2.00
40c value for.....25c	\$1.10 value for.....70c	\$4.00 value for.....\$2.65
45c value for.....30c	\$1.25 value for.....80c	\$5.00 value for.....\$3.35
50c value for.....35c	\$1.35 value for.....90c	\$6.00 value for.....\$4.00
60c value for.....40c	\$1.50 value for.....\$1.00	\$8.00 value for.....\$5.35
65c value for.....45c	\$1.75 value for.....\$1.20	\$10.00 value for.....\$6.65

Ladies' Chemise.

In the Empire high neck and low cut effects—loose and tight fitting—with and without the long skirt attachment. Lace and embroidery trimmed, also plain, hemstitched and tucked.

50c value for.....35c	\$2.50 value for.....\$1.65
60c value for.....40c	\$3.00 value for.....\$2.00
65c value for.....45c	\$3.50 value for.....\$2.40
75c value for.....50c	\$4.00 value for.....\$2.65
85c value for.....55c	\$4.50 value for.....\$3.00
\$1.00 value for.....65c	\$5.00 value for.....\$3.35
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Ladies' Corset Covers.

Daintily trimmed in many kinds of lace and embroideries. All having the latest neck styles.

35c value for.....25c	\$2.50 value for.....\$1.65
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60c value for.....40c	\$3.00 value for.....\$2.00
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Fancy Aprons.

Fancy tea aprons—long plain tucked and embroidery trimmed Gingham aprons, all go at one-third less than regular prices. Made with plain tucks—tucks and hemstitching—embroidery and lace insertion and edging effects. Our variety is large and well selected, and you are invited to call and see them.

Millinery Sale For One Day Only!

Monday, Jan. 7th, all Millinery will be greatly reduced. Attractive and becoming Hats for Winter wear at unheard of prices.

100 Hats at 25c 100 Hats at 50c 100 Hats at \$1.25

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