

**INTERESTING INFORMATION.**

Vienna has a cabman who has been fined twenty times for trying to bring bicyclists to grief.

In South Africa there is a great demand for donkeys, as they are proof against climate, plague and flies.

A kind of paper is made from seaweed which is so transparent that it may be used instead of glass for windows.

The present population of Bordeaux, France, is 297,000, of whom 18,864 are in receipt of assistance from charitable societies.

Venice is built on eighty islands, and has 400 bridges, which are steep and have many steps. The circumference of the city is about eight miles.

It is said cowbells are produced only in four factories in the United States, and are made just the same as they were 100 years ago, and sound the same.

One hundred and nine thousand locomotives are at present running in various countries. Europe has 63,000, America 40,000, Asia 3,300, Australia 2,000, and Africa 700.

The suggestion of Henry Watter-son that General "Joe" Wheeler favors expansion because he wants the place of vice-president on the Republican ticket in 1900 is repudiated by the General, who says: "It is true that Mr. Bryan and Mr. Bailey, both of whom I respect highly, take a different view, but I do not think they are sustained by a majority of the Democrats in the United States."

German geographers are usually credited with the closest computation of the world's population. Their latest figures are 1,500,000,000, an addition of 20,000,000 in the last seven years. An increase is found in nearly every part of the world. It is most rapid in civilized countries, especially those that lead in the use of labor saving machinery. Greenland's Eskimo population is growing, but the natives of the Pacific islands are dying out.

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