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JOB PRINTING. The Job department of the Press is complete and affords facilities for doing the best class of work.

The service one renders another in commending to him a good book, which a Good Book is a he comes to value, Good Friend.

The Baltimore school board, having decided to establish a cooking school, advertised for a teacher, offering a salary of \$540.

Postmaster General Payne is opposed to female rural mail carriers, and is likely to dismiss some that have been appointed.

Two "leper missionaries," as they are called, were recently received by President Roosevelt in the white house.

The Chinese of New York are planning to erect a hospital in the Chinatown of that city, where their sick may be treated by physicians of their own race.

A Detroit woman grabbed the hat of a thief who snatched her purse the other day. That's just like a woman.

California ranks sixth as an onion-producing state, according to the census reports, having 2,297 acres that yielded 314,859 bushels, worth \$296,671.

HOME COMMERCE PRODIGIOUS.

Enormous Business of the United States Built Up by the Republican Protective Policy.

Americans are accustomed to seeing big figures, for this is a big country and the figures which tell of its development are necessarily in keeping with it.

Dealing especially with internal commerce, Mr. Austin said it aggregates as much as the total foreign commerce of all the nations of the world, and has grown from a comparatively insignificant sum at the beginning of the last century to fully \$20,000,000,000 at the present time.

Another practically solid section of the country is that part of it included in the 15 states west of the Mississippi river.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS. The populist yell captured the democratic party in 1896. Look out for the socialist shout of short division in 1904.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

There is some comment because the president failed to put a bear story into his message. He had a trust story, however, and that is more important.—Cleveland Leader.

President Roosevelt makes it clear that he does not agree with those political doctors who prescribed tariff smashing as the exclusive nostrum for trust evils.—Omaha Bee.

A PARTY FOR AMERICAN MEN.

This is What the Republican Party Has Been Made by Its Leaders in Every Section.

The Birmingham Age-Herald asserts that the president has designated three well-known and highly respectable gentlemen of Alabama as referees or consultants with reference to federal appointments in that state, and that these gentlemen are opposed to the so-called "Bily white" movement.

It is entirely characteristic of President Roosevelt's frank and open temper that he should openly use a method which all presidents have found necessary, but which a former democratic president thought fit to use with more or less concealment, as if he were rather ashamed of it.

The failure of the republican party in the southern states in the '70s was due chiefly to the fact that many of its local leaders tried to make it a black man's party—or at least gave it the semblance of an organization of more or less ignorant black men against the intelligence and property of the community.

For the republican party is neither a white man's nor a black man's nor the rich man's nor the poor man's party. It is what its real leaders have ever made it all over the country, and what the president is trying to make it in the south—just an American man's party, thoroughly American in every sense of the word, because it is, without discrimination of race, color, religion, or material condition, for the upright American man.

"REVISIONISTS" OF TARIFF.

Where the Demand for a Ripping Up of the Whole Tariff System Comes From.

The "tariff revisionists" are simply free-trade democrats, except as they are reinforced by a few selfish manufacturers who have hitherto called themselves republicans because they desired protection for their products but now hope for still further profit to themselves by conspiring with the free traders to take away the protection which others enjoy, says the San Francisco Chronicle.

There is conclusive evidence that republicans desire no change in the fact that there has not been named on any republican platform or in any republican journal a single article on which a reduction of duty is demanded. If republican protectionists desired any change it would be in respect to some particular article or some particular schedule. They would state their specific demand and give their specific reason. A vague demand for "tariff revision" is simply a demand for ripping up the whole system. The term was invented by democrats as more alluring than the "free trade" for which it stands.

Ex-President Cleveland has again been lecturing the democratic party on its duty. He says it must not imitate the example of the man who sat down between two chairs and consequently fell with a dull, sickening thud, but it must return to its old seat and adopt its old principles, which are summed up in "a tariff for revenue only," better known as free trade.

ANGLO-GERMAN ALLIANCE.

Englishmen Are Sick of It—Opinions of the British Press Concerning the Venezuelan Embroglio.

London, Dec. 18.—The developments in the Venezuelan embroglio, as revealed by Premier Balfour's statements in parliament yesterday, have resulted in bringing out in the press this morning stronger expressions than ever of the desire to reach some pacific settlement of the difficulty.

Henry Norman, M. P., in a newspaper article published this morning in which he emphasizes the dangers of the position into which Germany is dragging Great Britain, contends that the only safe and dignified course for Great Britain is to seek satisfaction through co-operation with the United States.

Mr. Norman's opinion reflects a very widespread feeling with regard to the Anglo-German agreement and concerning the question of how the United States would view the existence of a state of warfare between the powers and Venezuela. The newspapers this morning ask:

"What would happen should Germany choose to seize Margarita island as a base for the blockade?"

The Daily News, in an editorial declares that the new European concert "is not to coerce a bankrupt republic, but is a revolt against the Monroe doctrine."

The Times gives great prominence to a letter from Sir Robert Giffen declaring that the foreign office gravely blundered in associating itself with Germany against Venezuela. Sir Robert contends that a blockade will be useless against a bankrupt state, while the seizure of customs will be tantamount to annexation and full of danger.

Sir Robert strikes his most alarming note when he refers to the danger of Germany embroiling Great Britain with the United States. He believes that Germany would not hesitate to occupy Venezuelan territory, and he thinks the less said about British claims the better. He says he doubts if Great Britain has any moral claims against Venezuela and concludes with these words:

"The best course is to cry off at all hazards and, at the utmost, exact punishment for the injured seamen by getting hold, if possible, of the guilty Venezuelan officials."

ALMOST IMPREGNABLE.

A French Diplomat Says that Venezuela's Capital Would be Hard to Capture.

Paris, Dec. 18.—M. Thiesse, formerly minister of France to Venezuela, and who lived many years in Venezuela, has been interviewed concerning the situation there. He said: "Venezuela can put 400,000 men in the field, and even foreigners there are liable for military service. A number of the younger officers received their education in the military schools of France and Germany. The Venezuelans are armed with Martini and Remington rifles and have a few Maxim and Krupp guns. They have no cavalry.

Caracas is almost impregnable, owing to the fact that it is situated on the other side of a mountain range about 6,000 feet high. These mountains are impassable except by steep mule paths where 20 men could stop a whole regiment. There is a railroad from La Guaira to Caracas, but the destruction of a single bridge would render the line useless. If, by a miracle, Caracas shall be taken, the Venezuelans would wage a guerilla warfare, as they did against Spain."

Earthquake Destroys a City. Ashkabad, Russian Turkestan, Dec. 18.—The town of Andijan was totally destroyed by an earthquake Tuesday. The number of fatalities is not yet ascertained. The population is threatened with starvation. Shocks were felt in surrounding villages and a railway at Andijan was destroyed for a considerable distance. Andijan is a town of Russian Asia. It had a population of about 30,000 souls.

Insanity Plea Didn't Win. New York, Dec. 17.—Thomas Tobin was yesterday convicted of the murder of Capt. James B. Craft, of Glen Cove, L. I., whose decapitated body was found about two months ago in the Empire music hall. The defense sought to prove insanity, but numerous experts testified that the prisoner was sane.

Clerks Get the Worst of It. Topeka, Kan., Dec. 18.—The difficulty which western railroads are finding in keeping enough mechanical help is affecting in a peculiar manner the clerks they employ.

At the meeting of the committee it is said that in the last three months 20 cases have been discovered where men have been working under assumed names and using cards that had been given to them by the original employees. In many cases, it was said, the men caught had only been in the country a short time. Indication cards are to be used. On these will be noticed the color of the man's hair and eyes, his stature, the length of his feet, forearms and thumbs, the size of his head and ears and any distinguishing marks or blemishes that may be discovered.

TO PREVENT FRAUD.

Berthillon System Will Be Used to Identify New York Employees.

Fraudulent impersonations made by laborers in the street-cleaning department led the municipal civil service commission of New York to adopt a rule requiring such employees to submit to the Berthillon system of measurement in order to permit the identification at any time of men in the city's employ. The system is in use in this country almost exclusively for the identification of criminals.

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"GREAT HEAVENS!" IS BAD.

The Co-Eds at the Northwestern University Now Say "Fudge!" Instead. Northwestern university co-eds at Evanston, Ill., use "swear words" even though they don't mean to be profane in the least.

"Great heavens!" is the favorite "swear word" of the co-eds, according to Prof. Clark, and it is just as sinful in a feminine mouth as "damn" in the mouth of a young man. "Don't shock me by ejaculating 'great heavens,'" said Prof. Clark to his class. "It is a profane expression. I want to warn the young women in this class, especially, because I know they are in the habit of using the expression more than the young men. When you say 'great heavens' you are taking a sacred name in vain. I hear girls using the words every day, and would feel almost like blaspheming if I were not aware that they didn't mean it for anything bad."

The expression which prompted the remark on feminine profanity was found by Prof. Clark in a co-ed theme, which he read before his class. The 30 young women were indignant at the accusation aimed at them, but have decided to throw over "great heavens," and henceforth say nothing stronger than "Oh, fudge!"

Practiced. First Fan—That rightfielder is mighty light on his feet. Look how he went into the air for that fly.

Second Fan—Well, he ought to be. He's jumped eight contracts so far this season.—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

An Exchange.—Mother (who has been out for the day)—Tommy, did you take that medicine that I told you to when I was away? Tommy—No, ma. Willie Jones came in, and he liked it so, I exchanged it with him for a sour apple.—The King.

FILLETTED BY INSTALLMENTS.

He Thought His Bones Were to Be Taken from Him a Bit at a Time.

At the Royal national hospital, Ventnor, recently a patient found a very small piece of splintered bone work out through his skin. Next day he happened to be called up for medical examination, with some four or five other patients. In the consulting room he told the physician of the preceding day's incident, relates the Philadelphia Inquirer.

The vainest hopes are generally the most realistic.—Chicago Journal.

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