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On its property, 50 miles west of Tampico, on the Mexican Central railway, a Mexican petroleum company has about 15 wells in oil and several others sunk to within a few feet of the oil sand.

Civet is a pesty, yellowish substance that is taken from a pouch, near certain glands, of the civet cat, which is found in Abyssinia.

It may be surprising but doubtless gratifying to the public to know that the Bible is still the world's best-selling book.

A London wholesale haberdashery concern has introduced a species of paper undershirts and hosiery.

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Naturalists can not fail to be surprised at the weight of some of the deer caught in Vermont woods this season.

Three buildings for the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research in New York will be completed in six months.

The application of electricity to general agriculture has been successfully made in France and has been followed in Germany on an even greater scale.

A chemist in Odessa has just finished some interesting experiments with petroleum secured in the Caucasian mountains.

OUR "IMPERIALISM" WINS.

The People of Porto Rico Are Well Satisfied with Government of Americans.

Those who regard the annexation and retention of the Philippines as a hideous national crime must regard our treatment of Porto Rico as a crime still more horrible.

For most of the Porto Ricans seemed to be entirely contented under Spanish rule. They had repeatedly proved their loyalty by aiding Spain in her wars.

America took the 900,000 Porto Ricans and began to govern them without going through any sort of form of getting their consent.

We found 88 per cent. of the Porto Ricans wholly illiterate. There were about 500 public schools, mostly with teachers so incompetent, and occupying such wretched quarters.

We took hold of this situation in the most imperialistic manner. We told the people that their children had to go to school.

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NEW CONGRESS OUTLOOK.

Republican Majority a Little Top-Heavy, But Speaker Cannon Will Balance It.

In both the senate and the house the republicans will make gains as a result of the election.

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POWERS SHOULD BE ENLARGED.

PRESIDENT'S VIEW ON INTER-STATE COMMERCE COMMISSION.

HE EXPECTS CONGRESS TO ACT.

The President Believes that the Commission Should be Given Authority to Decide Whether Rates Are Reasonable or Unjust.

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AN INVITING PROSPECT.

Will Canada in the next quarter of a century take the place of the United States as the great wheat exporting section of the western hemisphere?

Everything points that way. In the opinion of experts the United States has reached high water mark as a wheat exporting country.

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ELECTRIC LOCOMOTIVE.

For New York Central & Hudson River Railroad Company.



The New York Central's New High Speed 91 Ton Electric Locomotive.

The most powerful electric locomotive in the world has just been completed for the New York Central & Hudson River Railroad in the shops of the General Electric Company and the American Locomotive Works at Schenectady, N. Y.

This locomotive is one of between thirty and fifty which will be used by the Railroad Company for hauling the through passenger trains within its Electrical Zone from Grand Central Station through the Park Avenue tunnel to Croton on the Main Line, a distance of 34 miles, and to White Plains on the Harlem division, a distance of 24 miles.

This will be the heaviest steam railway passenger service which has ever been handled by electric locomotives. With one of these locomotives trains of ten or more cars will be hauled at express speed of 60 to 70 miles per hour, and the design and method of control are such that two or more locomotives can be coupled together and operated by a single engineer from the leading cab, so that the size of the train that may be under the control of one engineer is practically unlimited so far as the question of motive power.

In general design the locomotive is double ended and symmetrical in construction, so that it can be run in either direction with equal facility.

Mounted on the main frame of the locomotive in the steel cab in three divisions, in which are located the various devices for operating the locomotive. The locomotive is equipped for both straight and automatic air braking, signaling devices, bell, whistle, headlights, air-riding device, electric air compressor, etc., being as complete in every way with respect to operating devices as a steam locomotive.

Anatomical Note. Mrs. Nolan had made some disparaging remarks about the costume of her husband's bosom friend, Mr. Herby, and they were promptly resented.

"His hat is turning green with age," is it? said Mr. Nolan, with fine scorn, "and his boots is rusty and cracked-looking; did I hear ye say? Listen now to me, Mary Nolan. If every man's hat an' boots covered as warm as them Herby's there'd be more proud wimmie in the world!"—Chicago Record-Herald.

A clever Swiss inventor has originated an instrument which tells the exact condition of the air in a room—that is, its degree of impurity.

A practical folding umbrella constructed on the telescopic plan has been evolved. The 28-inch size folds up to 18 inches, and the other sizes in proportion.

A Norwegian named John Eggen has invented an electric apparatus for indicating the presence of a school of fish in the deep. It consists of a metal plate and a microphone in the water, connected by wire with a telephone on board ship.

Swiss watchmakers have now added a phonograph to some of their wonderful watches. A small rubber disc is put in the watch and arranged in such a way that the record is repeated every hour. Anything can be put on the record that the owner wishes.

A new invention for insuring dry seats on electric cars in wet weather has been displayed in Edinburgh. As explained by the inventor, the new arrangement is a simple one, and can be fitted to any style of garden, tramway or ship's deck seat. It is practically a wooden covering for the seat, can be lifted in wet weather, the ordinary movement of the back rest of the seat locking it in position. When raised, it forms a shelter for the back of the passenger. In dry weather, the cover forms the ordinary seat.

Glass that can be heated white hot and then plunged into cold water without breaking seems an impossibility, but it has been recently made an accomplished fact. It is made from Brazilian quartz pebbles heated red hot and then thrown into distilled water. Then the purest pieces are selected and welded with the oxyhydrogen blowpipe into long stems like straws, from which glass vessels of any shape can be made. Thus far the quartz glass has been employed chiefly for making laboratory apparatus. A test tube made in this way will not break when a white-hot coal is dropped into it.

In a Hurry. "Why does Wheeler always speed his automobile so fast along this street?" "His tailor lives on the corner."—Kansas City Star.

A Sensational Story. Laporte, Ind., Dec. 10.—Abram Mullen, who is in jail at Knox, charged with the murder of Charles Haines, has revealed what he declares was a plot to kidnap Dr. W. W. Brown, a wealthy Lafayette physician, confine the doctor in a cave and demand ransom. The plotters, Mullen declares, were Charles and George Haines. Mullen refused to become a party to the conspiracy and reported it to State's Attorney Courtwright. This came to the knowledge of the Haines brothers, and Mullen's attorneys claim that when Charles Haines forced an entrance to Mullen's house it was to murder him. Mullen seized a shotgun and shot Haines dead.

An Appeal to the President. Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 10.—Mrs. Julia A. Young, who gives her home address as Boston, Mass., has made a direct appeal for help to President Roosevelt. She has telegraphed the president as follows: "I am a prisoner in the jail in this city at the mercy of a person who holds my daughter under control and has threatened me. I ask protection at your hand."

Fatal Accident in a Mine. Joliet, Ill., Dec. 10.—One miner was killed and seven others were badly hurt, one probably fatally, in an elevator accident at Mine No. 1 in South Wilmington yesterday.

Assaulted a Would-be Briber. St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 10.—Attorney Doran, who was appointed referee in bankruptcy by Judge Lochren, of the United States district court, in connection with the affairs of a local firm of woolen merchants, was approached yesterday by a member of the firm for information as to what report he would make to the court. Mr. Doran informed him that the report must be unfavorable. Mr. Doran's visitor returned later and handed him a roll of money, whereupon the referee knocked him down and kicked him out of the office.

A Big Blunder. The democrats should have waged this campaign, so far as the tariff is concerned, against the abuses, not against the policy of protection. It was a big, bad blunder to declare that "protection is robbery." It cut the party loose from any bond of sympathy with republican tariff revisionists, and it declared a doctrine that is foreign to the views and feelings of a majority of democrats. All the conservative utterances that followed the "robbery" declaration in the text of the platform and in Judge Parker's frank deliverances cannot antidote that outburst of passion.—Washington Post.

It takes the democratic party a long time to find out that crowds hanging on the lips of Bryan don't do the electing.—Cincinnati Tribune.

John Morley's declaration in his speech at Delmonico's that "in your new president you have got a man—a man who has behind him the American people," puts the result of the election, happily and forcibly. It is the verdict of a man—a man who has long enjoyed the respect and honor of England and America. As an ambassador of good will, John Morley ranks second to none of the eminent Englishmen who have visited our shores.—N. Y. Tribune.

Statistical Facts Show Advantage to This Country Derived from Protection.

The protective tariff is bringing about the condition of things anticipated by increasing exports of manufactured articles instead of raw materials and farm products. The figures of the bureau of statistics indicate that the percentage of manufactures exported during the calendar year 1904 will be larger than ever before, while that of agricultural products will be smaller.

Another pleasing feature, says the Philadelphia Press, is in the increase in the imports of materials in a crude condition for use in domestic industries. In the nine months ending with September over 33 per cent. of the imports were of raw materials for use in manufacturing. In the corresponding months of 1895 the percentage of such imports was a little over 26 per cent. There was an increase this year over last year, demonstrating the growth of such manufactures.

Agricultural products formerly exported are now consumed at home. Instead of supplying them to workmen in Europe, who manufactured articles for use in this country, those products are consumed in a much larger degree in the United States, where are produced the articles formerly imported. That is immensely to the advantage of this country, increasing its wealth and producing power.

The advantage of the protective tariff is so clear that it is difficult to see how intelligent men can support the democratic party which declares that protection is "robbery," and seeks to put the nation on a free trade basis, at a time when even Great Britain, with its narrow territory, is seriously considering the abandonment of that policy.