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TO TEST THE RATE LAW

Mysterious gatherings of railroad officials and railroad lawyers have been held lately. The new rate law has been the subject under discussion and what to do about its requirements has been the vexed problem. It seems to have been decided that some test suits will be forced to make the courts say whether or not the law is constitutional.

Three important provisions of the rate law will be attacked: The section that makes the initial carrier responsible to shippers; the section that authorizes the interstate commerce commission to determine what is a just and reasonable charge for services rendered by the owner of property transported; the court clause. Then there are other sections including the vital one conferring rate-fixing powers upon the commission that will be forced to the judicial test. One suggestion has been that the Pennsylvania railroad take the lead in throwing down the gauntlet.

The relative productivity of large and small cows in the line of milk giving has been the subject of considerable controversy. While it is too soon to regard it as positively settled, the preponderance of evidence is in favor of the large cow. The dairy contest at St. Louis in 1904 has thrown some light upon this question. As noted in a bulletin recently issued by the agricultural department of the Michigan college, the 25 Jersey cows entered in the test were much heavier than the average of many animals of the breed, and indeed of many herds. They weighed 910 pounds at the commencement of the test and 938 pounds at its close. These cows were chosen with a view to economy of production. This fact is very significant in its bearing on the question, as it shows that the men who brought the material together for the contest, found it most readily among large specimens of the breed.

Henry Watterson makes the following comment on the domestic life of the democratic party:

"No great party should ever have been divided on a question in fiscal economy and especially upon a money ratio. Except that democratic discipline has grown lax under inefficient leadership, no such issue could have divided us. Yet in proportion that the masses of the party were ignorant of the subject they became the more

hatred and intolerant. Free silverism got to be a craze, pure and simple. It is over now, and we are well out of it. Let the dead bury its dead. Precisely as the democratic party, having split wide open in 1860, upon "our rights in the territories" came together in 1868, should democrats in 1908 forget all about the "16-1" fetish of 1896. In each instance the issue cost us ruin, the loss of our place in the government, and the popular confidence and recurrence to the one were as foolish as to the other."

Many stories have been told about the long telegraphic messages sent by women as if the feminine mind were incapable of expressing itself concisely. How false and slanderous such an impression is well known by the following incident is: A gentlemen went to London on business. As he left he said something about buying her a new dress. Just before starting, homeward he wired to his wife: "Which shall I bring you—a diamond ring or a silk dress?" The reply was concise and explicit—"Both."

GERMAN SUGAR BEET EXPERT IN UNITED STATES

Herr Ernest Grotkass, of Magdeburg, Germany, who four years ago was the special representative of the German government to the United States to report upon the conditions prevailing in the sugar beet industry, was in Caro, Mich., according to the Advertiser of that city, and with Manager Martini made a long drive among the beet fields in this vicinity. He is reputed to be one of the best sugar beet experts in the world and every year visits all beet raising countries on the globe. He reports that crops all over the world are excellent and since his visit of years ago sees great advancement in the sugar beet industry in America. He believes that the fine crop now growing will thoroughly establish the industry in the favor of farmers and that it will henceforth rapidly develop to great proportions. —American Sugar Gazette.

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