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PATRONIZE HOME INDUSTRY.

OREGON CITY, DEC. 27, 1901.

EXCLUSIVE of the enlisted men of the army, we support 22,000 federal officeholders. And the number of tax-eaters is constantly increasing.

One of the greatest hindrances to the increase of population in this county is the high rate of taxation and the large county indebtedness. What is the cause of it? Why, the stupidity of the voters.

THE railway earnings for the year 1900, according to Poor's Manual, the recognized authority on railroad matters, show an increase over the previous year of 27 per cent. Operating expenses, of which wages figured as a part, show an increase of one per cent.

WILSHIRE'S Magazine, suppressed by Third Assistant Postmaster-General Madden, is now published under protection of the more liberal English government in Toronto, Canada, at Temple Building, whence it is mailed as second-class matter into the United States.

In spite of drought and cyclones, Oklahoma cannot complain of being left out in the cold, for it produced over \$50,000,000 worth of agricultural products during the past year and its population increased over 100,000. Mercurial Kansas is not in the rear of the procession, unless its \$50,000,000 worth of wheat and \$87,000,000 deposits in the banks count for nothing.

THE four transcontinental railroads have an aggregate mileage of 47,372. On this, allowing an average cost per mile of construction of \$25,000, the four roads have issued nearly two billions of watered stock, on which they pay 4 per cent—nearly \$80,000,000. This eighty millions is a tax on the country, as much so as any government tax. The levying of such a tax is no less a violation of law than a "hold-up" by a lone highwayman. It is a heavy load placed on the shoulders of commerce, mining and agriculture by the modern robber barons.

THE conference which was held in New York city between J. P. Morgan and other millionaires, besides distinguished clergymen and lawyers, on one side, and leaders of organized labor on the other, was a distinct advance toward the eventual goal of industrial democracy, or to put it in other words, toward economic freedom without which the political freedom we have is but an idle phrase. The great strike of the steel workers has borne rich fruits, for any differences between the United States Steel Co. and its 125,000 hands will hereafter be arbitrated by a standing committee of 30 gentlemen selected from both sides. The captains of industry perceive that without a loyal army of workers they are helpless.

THERE is a hue and cry about anarchists, and justly. But anarchists of what stripe? They are pictured in the funny papers as unkempt, haggard and of slovenly garb. But there is another kind: a horse of different color, sleeker and of faster gait. The Wall Street Journal says the great railroad monopoly formed by means of the Northern Securities Company "will stand regardless of the laws on the statute books. There will be no real trouble for the corporations no matter what the laws may be." Is not this a distinct avowal that the railroad monopoly defies law, is anarchistic? If the country makes laws against little anarchists what shall it do with big anarchists which who disregard law and are determined to do as they please?

THE Electrical Review calls attention to an interesting explanation of the burning of coal. Coal, petroleum and illuminating gas are related to one another much as are ice, water and steam. For this reason, perfect combustion of liquid fuel is already advanced a long step toward vaporization, just as ice is advanced toward steam when turned into water. The volatile elements of coal are locked up in the solid form, or virtually frozen solid. Professor Dewar has demonstrated how great an amount of heat must be taken from the so-called permanent gases to make them solid.

Yet nature has solidified gas into the form of coal, and solid coal, like solid ice, will only dissolve into vapor through the expenditure of heat.

A LARGE number of Germans have settled in Argentina and Brazil. By furnishing them with German schools, the Kaiser provides a means of retaining their descendants as Germans, and consequently should the Brazilian government go to pieces at any time or even become involved in sectional wars, there would be a strong German element ready to set itself up as an independent state. It is surprising by some authorities that the German government is working for just such an object in Brazil and Argentina. One of these says: "Germany believes the life tenancies of the dying nations are running out. She thinks she sees such places in South America, in Asia Minor and in the far East, and there she plants her schools. There she hopes in future to direct her surplus population."

NEARLY all the ancient nations celebrated the winter solstice as a religious festival. In India this custom is found to be of great antiquity. The people cover their houses with leaves and flowers and distribute gifts to their friends. The date of this celebration has always corresponded nearly with that of Christmas. In China, in time of the winter solstice, the last week of December is celebrated with religious solemnities, and business of all kinds is stopped. The same may be said of Persia and Egypt. Badha and a number of mythical heathen gods are said to have been born on or near December 25th, that is, at the point in the earth's orbit when the god of light, the sun, is reborn, the days beginning to lengthen. Mr. Gibbon, in his "Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire," says: "The Roman Christians, ignorant of the real date of his (Christ's) birth, fixed the solemn festival to the 25th of December, the Brumalia, or Winter Solstice, when the Pagan annually celebrated the birth of Sol." Thus the Pagans were weaned from idolatry.

IN '53 or '54, Captain Strain, a government officer, accompanied by a party of sailors and natives of Nicaragua, started from the town of Darien on the Atlantic side of the Central American isthmus, on an exploring tour with the object of crossing the same to the Pacific. The map he had for his guidance proved very defective; where he had expected a plain course and easy traveling, he encountered great obstacles for the surmounting of which he had made no preparations. Rivers not on his map confronted him. At last, after incredible hardships, to which not a few of the party succumbed by death, the exploring party reached the Pacific, the redoubtable captain, like a true leader, proving himself to be the most courageous and spirited of them all. The isthmus has at Darien a width of only 23 miles, and the outlook is now that the straight route across which Captain Strain endeavored to explore, will be pierced by a tide-water canal having a length of 26 miles, which will connect the Atlantic and the Pacific.

INSULAR TRADE.

THE bill applying Dingley tariff rates to imports from the Philippines, passed by the lower house of congress, could not be more unstatesmanlike. It shows the supreme power of the fat protected interests in congress. They fix and control the financial policy of the country. As it is, European countries control most of the Philippine commerce, their total for a year being \$48,000,000, and this insane folly of congress will only tend to lessen the small American trade with the islands. The situation is similar with regard to Cuba, which is now buying \$37,000,000 worth of goods a year from other lands than this, and her purchases from such lands are rapidly increasing, while those from the United States are decreasing. In the seven months ending on January 31, 1901, as compared with the corresponding months a year before, there was a decrease of \$1,164,846 in Cuban purchases from the United States, and an increase of \$564,512 in Cuban purchases from Germany alone. Cuba buys \$6,000,000 worth of cotton goods a year, of which the United States supplies only \$500,000; and \$2,000,000 worth of vegetables and vegetable fibres, of which we supply only \$171,000; and \$2,500,000 worth of oils, of which only \$713,000 worth comes from this country; and \$3,470,000 worth of animals and animal products, of which this country contributes less than \$2,000,000. The same is true in respect to wines, leather goods, woolen goods and other items. Our Cuban trade is discreditably small, and is growing smaller. But what hope is there of getting a better hold upon the Cuban market if we do not open our market to Cuba, or a better hold upon the Philippine market if we do not open our own market to the Philippines?

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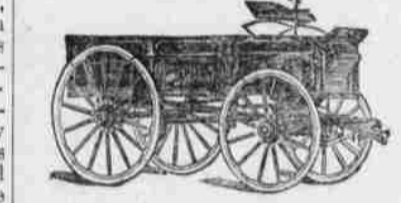
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