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IN QUEST OF TARIFF JUSTICE.

The President goes back to tariff revision, in order, he thinks, to satisfy popular clamor against spoliation by the "protective" system.

Protective tariff confers special privileges and special benefits on the citizens who it favors at expense of others. Any protective tariff does just that.

Great many tariff revisionists in the East think raw products, like those produced in the South and the West, should come in "free," while manufactured goods, like those made in the East, should be kept out with heavy duty.

Mr. Pinchot has, with his own reading of the term, permeating and coloring their every utterance the dogma that the aim and essence of conservation is "keeping in an entire state" the natural resources of the Nation.

DO THEY OPPOSE TAFT?

In the course of some interesting reflections upon Mr. Roosevelt's relation to his party, the New York Times makes frequent reference to the "insurgents." Of course nobody can use a word without assigning some meaning to it either vaguely or definitely.

The Times is not very definite in its handling of the term "insurgent," but upon the whole our learned contemporary seems to understand that it signifies an opponent of Mr. Taft.

In Iowa it expresses rather ferocious resentment for Mr. Wickersham's suggestion that Cummins and Dooliver are not genuine Republicans.

OREGON'S LITTLE BOSSES.

Behind the war between President Taft and ex-President Roosevelt on the one hand and the selfish gang of intriguing New York machine politicians on the other is the direct political cause of the war.

TAKING PORTLAND FOR ROADS.

Certain parts of Clackamas and Washington Counties wish Portland taxpayers to build them roads; therefore they "initiate" bills to annex their districts to Multnomah.

Portland property owners who pay the great bulk of the road tax should be taken into consideration. This is not a matter of interest solely to residents of the parcels of Clackamas and Washington Counties.

DEFINITIONS OF CONSERVATION.

Before discussing any subject it is well to find out just what the term in question means. When inquiry is made, varieties of meaning and of usage appear.

GALLAGHER'S PRAYERS.

The politician out of a job who shot Mayor Gaynor must be a singularly vain individual. There is a story that he has been praying for the eminent "luck" either good or bad, are invited to ponder over the calamities which have befallen the Brodovole family at White Salmon.

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