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It is reported from Vancouver B. C. that the democrats of Alaska will choose delegates at Juneau, May 25, for the national convention to be held at Kansas City, July 4. As Alaska is a gold country it will be interesting to watch the course of its delegates...

Puerto Ricans could scarcely believe their eyes when they saw their first civil governor dressed in a straw hat, blue coat and duck trousers. They had been accustomed to gorgeous uniforms, covered with gold lace and trappings...

And this is the bedizened and happy-satan sent out by the Tyrant McKinley to awe the gentle Puerto-riquenos, according to the hysterical democratic sheets. How the poor down-trodden islanders must tremble before that straw hat, badge of the rapacious and fierce robber baron!

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less republican policy from getting a living! Object of commiseration of the patriotic democratic press, which demands justice for the Filipinos by bestowing the entire porker upon them, with trimmings supplied by the United States government. Poor Puerto Rico! Look at her attempt to do business. She is working under the scale-down, bargain-day Dingley tariff! Yesterday the Puerto Rico Steamship Company's first ship, the Ponce, reached the port of New York from Puerto Rico, with the pitiful cargo of 1,693 hhdns. and 8,999 bags of sugar and 2,121 bales of tobacco. The merchants of the island feel so dependent over the outlook that they will send no more goods to the mainland until the next ship is ready to sail, and then it is not likely they will more than double or quadruple the shipments. Poor Puerto Rico!

A POLICY OF GRAVE-ROBBING.

New York Times (Democratic). The democratic party is sure to win. The people are with us this year, and they are in sympathy with the principles which shall be embodied in the Kansas City platform, and which represent the feelings of the great mass of American people.—W. J. Bryan. Among the principles that will be embodied in the Kansas City platform are those which were declared in the Chicago platform four years ago. They will go in a lump. One of the Chicago principles was set forth in this language:

We are unalterably opposed to monopolism, which has locked fast the prosperity of an industrious people in the paralysis of hard times.

The paralytics of 1896 are up and about now, and they are a pretty brisk and stirring lot. Nevertheless, the association for the exhibition of political dementia which will assemble at Kansas City on July 4 will solemnly declare that we are all in the grip of the paralysis of hard times, and they will denounce the gold standard as the cause of it.

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EDUCATION IN FINLAND.

Chicago Times-Herald. It seems that a Russian author, Mrs. O. R. Papow, has written a sympathetic book on Finland which has inspired a German reviewer to say: "There is in this country practically not one person to be found who cannot read or write. There is perhaps not a single peasant's hut in Finland where a political paper is not regularly read, and scarcely a Finnish peasant can be found who cannot recite from memory large portions of the writings of Runeberg and Topelius. To an unusual extent, political agitation there is the outcome of the development of literature and especially of a higher type of journalism."

So active are the Finns in the journalistic field that thirty out of their thirty-five smaller villages have at least one periodical. In the whole country there are 186 papers, or one to every 12,900 inhabitants.

We have seen the book in question, but in that bright though somewhat sketchy work of Mrs. Alec Tweedie, "Through Finland in Carts," there are instructive chapters on education among the Finns which bear out what is said in the later publication. The foundation of the school system is in the elementary and folk schools, and in order to reach the very thinly populated districts, especially in the months...

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