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RELIEF FOR THE KLONDIKE.

The reports of the scarcity of food on the steamer sent up to St. Michael seem to be disproved by the assurance of P. H. Wear and M. Cudahy to the secretary of war that there are ample provisions for the month of the Yukon for 5,000 persons for one year.

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Cuba because of its geographical position and the relation its commerce bears to ours. If the Spanish government can insure peace and prosperity to Cuba on such terms as shall secure at the same time a fair and honorable government to the heroic people of the island, this country will not attempt to meddle with the means by which it is to be accomplished.

The whole responsibility now rests with the Spanish cabinet. If the representations of this government result in the formation of a strong popular ministry in Spain, the task of the queen's advisers will be easier.

We must look at the question as it is presented to Spain in order to intelligently follow its policy. No country likes to yield up any part of its territory, and the island of Cuba is the sole remnant of a vast and rich empire which was established three centuries ago by an enterprise which called forth the admiration of the world.

This consideration should not induce us to recede from a position taken with full regard for the interests of the American continent, but it is a fact which should temper our indignation with courtesy and considerate language.

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The Russian empire: The policy proposed, however, is similar to that adopted by the emperor of Austria to that portion of the ancient kingdom of Poland which was annexed to Austria at the time of the distribution of that unhappy country, and which is known now by the name of Galicia.

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his next publication, give us a ratio by all means, or the movement may get away from us, and we can get hold of the Starbuck we are seeking may, after all, prove to be a Boojum. J. K. UPTON.

Labor Shares in Prosperity. Chicago Times-Herald. A marked increase in the number of men at work in the various productive industries, a firm advance in the prices of commodities and a steady increase in volume of purchases were the features of a most satisfactory week's record in the business world.

There appear to be few exceptions to the upward trend in all lines of production. The stock market, the advance of the grain crop and the fact that the farmer is certain to get not less than a dollar for his wheat. That the secretary's prediction is based on actual conditions is supported by the fact that the advance of the past week was not due to a speculative flurry, but to a daily increasing foreign demand.

A gratifying feature of the industrial record of the week was the reports of the New York trade unions, which show an advance over last year of 24 per cent. in the number of men at work. If this ratio of increase has been maintained throughout the country it would indicate that there are between 200 and 400,000 more men employed at this time than were at work one year ago.

There have been enormous speculative sales of wool in the Eastern markets, but there is also more buying by the woolen mills than for years past. These purchases are in response to an extraordinary demand for goods at prices which average only about 10 per cent. higher than was paid early in the year.

Some interesting letters: Office of State Board of Audit and Control and Comptroller of Public Institutions, State of Washington, Olympia, Sept. 14, 1897. J. E. Moody, Esq., Everett, Wash.

Dear Sir: In the last meeting of the state board of audit and control it was decided to request the fusion committee of your county to fill the position of auditor at the Eastern Washington hospital for the insane at Medical Lake.

Office of Fusion Campaign Committee, Everett, Wash., Sept. 20, 1897. Ernest Lister, Traveling Auditor, Olympia, Wash. Dear Lister: Yours of the 14th inst. at hand, offering Spokane county, on behalf of the fusion committee, the position of auditor at the Eastern Washington hospital for the insane at Medical Lake.

San Francisco Post: When a customer wants a sausage in a Chicago restaurant that he simply asks for a "Luettger caramel."

San Francisco Call: No philosopher has yet been able to explain why one railroad accident is invariably followed by another of a similar character until the calamities form a group of three.

Los Angeles Times: The wild and woolly story to the effect that the Vanderbilts are going to build a railway from Salt Lake to a connection with the Terminus railway in this city, is a good running rate for the fake yarn that the English are going to complete the Panama canal.

Portland Oregonian: The Tacoma Ledger views with much pride the arrival of young men who intend taking a course in the university there. It is strange, perhaps, that the advantages of Tacoma as a place for undisturbed study and calm meditation have not sooner asserted themselves.

Astoria Budget: Information is sent over from Victoria, during the late misunderstanding in this country, "and the Union." It was very kind of her, indeed, and suggests the statement of the small boy that pine had saved thousands of lives. It will be remembered that when the small boy was pressed for particulars he kindly cleared the matter by explaining that this had been done "by dead swallowing them."

FACTS OF INTEREST. The census of Egypt, taken on June 14, showed a population of 5,700,000, an increase of 2,900,000 since 1882; in other words, a gain of 42 per cent in fifteen years.

The largest pin factory in the world is that at Birmingham, where 37,000 pins are manufactured every working day. All the other pin factories throughout the world produce about 25,000,000 pins every day, and the population of Europe at 200,000,000, every fourth person must use a pin every day to use up the production of pins per day.

An experiment has been recently made in Vienna in order to test the relative resistance under pressure of the hardest steel and the hardest stone. Small cubes subjected to the test. The corundum broke under the weight of six tons, but the steel resisted up to forty-two tons. The steel gun, breaking into powder, and sending sparks in every direction, which bored their way into the stone.

According to the Atlanta Chronicle, negroes in the South are rapidly filling the trades. As carpenters, bricklayers, plasterers, blacksmiths and wheelwrights they are growing more and more numerous. "A glance at the white schools and the negro schools of the South," adds the Chronicle, "will show that the negro schools of the practical needs of life, and fitting them to earn a livelihood better than the white schools are. For every white child in the South he or she is equipped for earning a livelihood and for advancing the standard of the race."

BITS OF HUMOR. "All the fellows are shaving off their mustaches, don't you know. Do you think I'd better get mine off?" "Well, I hardly think I'd shave it off." "No, I'd just pass a sponge over it."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

With the usual air of a man who is positively sure he is a superior being, when he is talking to his wife, he was telling her of the earth's population and the rapidity with which people die.

"You're getting in pretty late," said the Klondiker. "Yes, my partner," "I was delayed by a big washout." "Having thus spoken, he exhibited 625 ounces of gold, the result of the washout aforementioned.—Indianapolis Journal.

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NOTABLE PEOPLE. Father Kenelm Vaughan, an English Catholic priest, has been gathering money in Spain for the building of a cathedral. In Biscay alone he has raised \$4,500.

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