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The Pearce mine in Cochise county has got back on its old pay streak and is turning out bullion by the car load now. The mine has paid better the past six weeks than ever before in its history.—Gazette.

The coal famine in Europe and the difficulty of filling Europe's future want for coal, ought to be a matter of anxiety to the nations beyond the Atlantic. The cost of coal in Great Britain has so increased that it cannot compete with American coal anywhere in the Mediterranean ports.

What would be the difference to us, asks an exchange, whether a foreign foe were to conquer this country and levy a tribute on the people of several hundred millions a year and the trusts doing the same thing? Are the people not despoiled just the same? If you would have reason to defend your property against the one who vote for a system that makes the other possible?

Electric cartridges are offered by an Italian, Señor Donato Tommassi, as a substitute for dynamite for mine work and warfare. The composition used in the cartridges is carbonate of potash and chloride of ammonia, the proportion varying according as it is to be used for dynamite effects in rock work, or powder effects in ordnance. The discharge is effected by an elec-

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tric current, or spark, which produces instantaneous electrolytic effects upon the chemicals which are contained in separate compartments of the cartridge. The inventor claims that the cartridges, until subjected to the effect of electricity, are entirely inoffensive and perfectly safe, so that there will be no necessity of isolating the magazines where they are stored.

A writer in Ainslee's Magazine points out that the world's output of gold in 1898 was \$287,428,600 and that in the United States was \$64,463,000. The value of the cotton crop in the United States, that is, the raw cotton—in 1897 was \$319,491,412. The cotton crop in the United States is, therefore, 11 per cent greater than the gold output of the world, and five times greater than the gold output of the United States.

Statistics of the above character betray an inevitable defi-

ciency of money consequent upon the gold standard. There is not enough annual output of gold in the whole world to pay for the annual cotton crop of the United States! The entire gold output of the United States five times less than sufficient to meet the annual American cotton bill! Add all the American products and we are forced into using wild-cat money as a make-shift for good money.—Ex.

A restaurant conducted on biblical principles "as Christ would conduct an eating house," is in successful operation in Chicago. The walls are decorated with quotations from the scriptures. Meetings are held in the restaurant every Saturday evening and it is closed on Sundays. Persons whose appearance betokens poverty are not allowed to pay for meals, and departing patrons are sent away with a blessing. The proprietor of the place is a reformed drunkard.