

THE FIELD OF ELECTRICITY

Effect of a Law of Congress on the Cost of Arc Lights.

LOW RATES OBTAINED BY WASHINGTON

American Trolley Builders Stirring Locomotives to Life—Electric Motors on Steam Roads—Other Developments.

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Taking the top figures, \$91.25, as a criterion, Washington obtains arc lights on terms much below the average. In Buffalo, with power obtained at Niagara Falls, the rate is \$100 per lamp per annum.

Albert and Tom Johnson, the American trolley car capitalists, have been seeking a foothold in London and believe that their plans are about to be realized, at least partially. Surveyors in the employ of the Johnsons are now making maps of the topography of a route from London to Brighton.

Albert Johnson is enthusiastic over the fact of electric roads in London. In speaking of it he said: "In London all the street railroads are owned by the city. They are, however, leased to corporations which run them as far behind the times as London is old."

Those who have studied the city say that its mapology is not to be despised. There is no trolley and only one cable road. If you want to get across the city you must change from one bus to the other until the fare becomes enormous in comparison with what we pay here.

When the cars reach the city line inspectors will call controllers on the cars, which, when locked, will not permit the motorman to run the cars over six miles an hour. There will be several stops on the road, like Crofton and some other towns."

It is understood that the plan is to put into the new trolley lines in London will come from the American capitalists who have been interested in the Johnsons' railroad enterprises in this country.

The New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad company has established an electric plant on its Plymouth division. This division is twelve miles long and extends from Trainee to Cohasset. The motor car is in appearance like a regular combination baggage and passenger car on the steam roads.

There has been shipped recently to the La Capital company, Buenos Ayres, South America, a booster to be used in connection with the extensive electric system of this company. The machine consists of a 100-horse-power motor adapted to use current from the railway feeders, varying in pres-

sure from 550 to 650 volts. At the latter pressure the speed is 1,000 revolutions per minute. The generator has a double commutator and is commuted wound, with a capacity of 1,000 amperes at sixty volts, or 500 amperes at 110 volts.

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S. S. S. For the Blood (Swift's Specific) is the only remedy which can eradicate Contagious Blood Poison. It is guaranteed purely vegetable. Book on self-treatment mailed free. Write Swift Specific Company, Atlanta, Ga.

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The democratic primaries to select delegates to the county convention that will be held in Ostoff's hall next Monday to select delegates to the state and district conventions were held yesterday, and lively contests in the Second and Seventh wards interested in the occasion. The issue in the Seventh was purely whether Charley Fanning and his crowd should control the delegates in the Second ward, or the voters of C. R. Scott for district judge, and Fanning won out by a small majority. There were 150 votes cast, and the O'Connor delegation was beaten by from ten to twenty votes.

O'Connor laid his defeat to the fact that the better element of the party did not take enough interest in the contest to come out and vote, and while Fanning's strength was voted entire not one democrat in five who would have voted against him took interest enough in the matter to come to the polls. In the Second ward it was the same old factional fight, but the Herdman delegation made a ten-strike by charging the opposition with being secretly friendly to Scott. The result was that the Herdman ticket was elected by nearly three to one in a total vote of about 400.

The result of the primaries is regarded as indicative of a lively fight in the Douglas county delegation in the judicial convention. It is admitted that the Scott steering committee has succeeded in getting enough of its pluggers on the various delegations to make a demonstration, and as the sentiment of the rank and file is overwhelmingly hostile to Scott the fur is bound to fly. The differences are accentuated by the fact that there are those who are opposed to the nomination of Scott are beginning to believe that they have been nearly worked by Scott's steering committee.

Scott's Tricky Play. The significance of Scott's pretended withdrawal from the contest has now dawned on his opponents and they realize that they have secured as much as they can get out of the game. It wasn't so very smooth, either, and that makes them all the more inclined to go out in a back alley and hire a cheap man to kick a little political sagacity into them.

Three days ago the movement to nominate Scott was opposed by such an overwhelming party sentiment that his opponents were confident that they had an easy thing. In fact the feeling against Scott was so evident that his managers were compelled to admit it and they at once hit on a scheme to get Scott before the convention without risking his defeat. The plan was to induce a number of men to go to the convention and to make a demonstration, and to make them all the more inclined to go out in a back alley and hire a cheap man to kick a little political sagacity into them.

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Not until it was too late did they discover how neatly they had been tricked. When they took time to examine the "uncontested" delegations they were amazed to discover how many known adherents of the "gang" had been covertly worked in from the various wards under cover of the so-called "compromise." When they had separated the sheep and the goats they found that they had made it possible for at least a score of Scott men to go into the convention from seven wards without a protest. With these are eight or ten more who are under suspicion of being subject to the domination of the Fanning-Moise combination. This disposed of all question in regard to the possibility of the Scott manifesto being settled all doubt as to the ability of the gang to make a Scott demonstration in the convention.

The success of the gang in the Seventh ward is believed to add eleven Scott delegates, and this adds to the regular total of the party. The full delegations elected are these: First Ward—John Zellar, Ed. J. Dee, Alton McCann, Joseph Welsner, M. J. Roach, John Heller, Thomas Greeley, John Hirsch, John W. Mulvihill, Antoin Fixa, Frank Lertwick.

Second Ward—Adam Sloup, Lee Herdman, Orlin Jellen, James Kelly, Stanley Jensen, Frank Jensen, James D. Collins, John Endrit, Robert Aitchison, Albert Hoffman, Fred Moore.

Third Ward—Ed Rothery, John Reeves, George H. Carter, Ford, Henry Oshoff, W. H. Gunols, William Atkin, John Shannon, T. Leary, Thomas Harrington, W. R. O'Shoughnessy.

Fourth Ward—P. C. Heafey, Harry C. Miller, P. H. Cooley, Ed. Shaw, Frank Heller, L. J. Platt, Raymond Mullen, William O. Gilbert, W. H. Thomas, Arthur F. Anderson, W. Shoemaker.

Fifth Ward—Walter Moise, John Leahy, John E. Ragan, Peter Remacle, W. Hogan, Charles H. Brown, Thomas Boy, John Jensen, John Carr, John Goodfellow, J. J. Dunn.

Sixth Ward—W. H. Chadwick, John Liddick, George H. Carter, George Tierney, W. Shields, J. C. Donohue, T. P. Thornley, L. R. Cottrell, John Mullen, M. T. Murphy, L. H. Parker.



If Dot had played with common soap What wreck there'd be to-morrow! Her hands all chapped, her dress past hope, Her toys a tale of sorrow. But mother lets her play like this And wash what'er she chooses, For not a thing will go amiss When Ivory Soap she uses. IVORY SOAP—99% PURE PER CENT. PURE. COPYRIGHT 1898 BY THE PROCTER & GAMBLE CO. CINCINNATI

Logan, Colo., where he has been assigned to the Thirty-fourth volunteer infantry, now being recruited there. Lieutenant Dorrington left yesterday for a short visit to Chadron, his old home, from where he will go to Denver. Mrs. Dorrington leaves Sunday morning, and will be joined at Fort Logan by her husband, enroute to Fort Logan. She will remain in Denver until the Thirty-fourth leaves for the Philippines, and then will return to Louisiana, Mo., to visit with relatives during the lieutenant's absence in the Orient.

WILLING TO FILL VACANCY County Attorney Sears of Burt is Mentioned for Judge Dickinson's Place. Whether Judge Dickinson will retire from the district judicial ticket to accept the nomination for supreme judge is the question that is being asked most frequently by local republicans at this time. The impression that he will accept the nomination if he is selected by the voters is being encouraged by reports from Judge Dickinson's home in Tekamah.

G. Sears, county attorney of Burt county, has been in Omaha recently to consult with some of the republican managers. Sears is understood to be a candidate for the vacant place on the district ticket in case Judge Dickinson receives the higher honor and his presence at this time is taken as an indication that Judge Dickinson's friends at home are pretty well satisfied that he will not decline to head the state ticket.

Beleagued by Book Agents. Representatives of the different school book publishing houses are making life a nightmare for the members of the Board of Education. At the next regular meeting of the board a selection of books for the coming year will be the main subject for consideration. Nowadays a member of the board finds a book agent in his office when he comes downtown in the morning, another calls him up during the forenoon and makes an engagement to meet him at luncheon, he finds one hanging on his door when he goes home at night, and there is likely to be one in the front parlor when he goes inside. Of course he has abandoned all idea of getting eight hours' sleep per night.

Will Organize at Fort Crook. Captain Hutchison, acting assistant adjutant general, has received the information that one of the five provisional regiments to be raised for the Philippine service will be formed at Fort Crook and recruits will be sent to Fort Crook. The process of mustering in and organizing the regiments will take some three or four months. Recruits are expected to come to be formed here has not yet been announced.

Omaha Stars Are Defeated. The Omaha Stars and Bert Duke's aggregation of juvenile Omaha Stars crossed bats at the game of the former, Twenty-fourth and St. Mary's avenue yesterday. The game resulted in a victory for the Eagles, the score standing 28 to 8. Only one true battery of the Eagles, were too much for the hitherto unconquered boys of the Stars, while the pitching of the Stars was very poor.

Microscopical Society in Session. COLUMBUS, O., Aug. 17.—The annual meeting of the American Microscopical society convened here today at the Ohio State university. The American Folklore society

Fountain Syringe—with three hard rubber pipes—put up in box. 2-1/2 quart size—75c. 3-quart size—\$1.00. 4-quart size—\$1.25. —add 10c for postage. A fine quality of five pipes for 50c extra.

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