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Taft, North and South.

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principles of growth for a short or long time becomes inactive. The history of parties here and in England is illuminating on the fact, its causes and progress toward dissolution.

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Battles at sea will heretofore be fought at eight-mile distances. American gunners have out-shot the world since the revolution. War looks like a minor league series with the Pirates, the way they now have the art arranged.

Around New York

Supplies on the Coast of Life at Sea on the Great American Metropolis from Day to Day.

Statistics compiled by the Public Service commission show that the street and electric railways of Greater New York carried in 1917 nearly 80 per cent of the fare passengers carried by all the street and electric railways of the United States and more passengers than were carried in Chicago, Philadelphia and Boston put together.

The American vulgaris may not know what anterio polio-myelitis is, but he fully understands polio vertigo. It is what a man has when he sees the North pole, shuts his eyes and opens his mouth.

Useful Dates for V. P. Boston Herald. Mr. Sherman has discovered a new use for vice presidents by stepping in to make a base ball umpire confess his mistakes.

Four of a Kind. Washington Herald. It is generally conceded that there are four express reasons why a parcels post law will not be enacted by the present congress.

Cheerful State of Duty. Indianapolis News. But doubtless such capable men as congressmen the tariff board will be able to do enough to secure the maximum salary of \$1,500 a year.

Some Spasms to Come. Pittsburgh Dispatch. If J. Pierpont Morgan succeeds in the control of the Harriman lines in addition to those he already rules will not that impose on Wall street the necessity of going into a convulsion whenever Morgan has a headache?

Are National Debts a Blessing? St. Louis Republic. If a national debt is a national blessing, Great Britain with a debt of \$1,000,000,000 is a very happy nation.

Explorations Higher Up. Baltimore American. It may be that the unexplored fields of the upper air will prove as fertile for scientific research as the untraversed lands on the globe.

Rivalry for the South Pole. Philadelphia Record. Lieutenant Shackleton ran \$750,000 in debt to get an outfit for his Antarctic expedition, but the success of two Americans in reaching the North pole has touched the national pride of Britain and loosened up the British purse strings.

Embarrassment of Riches. The State department is palpably staggered by the polar riches thrust upon the government by Commander Peary in his dispatch to Secretary Knox.

Test of Speaking Power. Will President Taft Trust to the "Inspiration of the Moment"? Washington Star. It is reported from Beverly that the president has not prepared any of the speeches he will deliver on his western and southern trip.

Lawyers often—in fact, as a rule—adopt this course. They are so frequently on their feet, and therefore so quick in reading the spirit of their hearers, they have not the time for, and do not feel the need of, slow preparation.

Ernest W. Smalls, New York manager of a glove manufacturing firm, has been sued for \$100,000 by Emily Jones, his cook, because, it is charged, he kicked the cat through the window screen.

AN INTERESTING RETROSPECT. An Age of Expansion and the Great-Fire of 1907. Pittsburgh Dispatch. Perhaps the point that most impressed itself upon the public mind in the story of Harriman's career was the fact that his rise from comparative obscurity to becoming a railroad colossus that transcended the continent was achieved with the last eleven years.

PERSONAL NOTES.

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Sections Where Their Utility is Consciousness. Boston Transcript. A correspondent of the Transcript who has divided his sixty years of life nearly evenly between his native Massachusetts and the lower south, writes that the postal savings bank scheme should be infused because of the uses that it promises to serve in the ports of the country.

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