

PUERTO RICAN SMOKERS.

The Tobacco is Bad, But the Natives Love It and Use It Constantly.

Home-made molasses-soaked plug tobacco, in ropes a hundred feet long, is one of the primitive wonders of the island.

Smoking is almost universal in Porto Rico, the cigar and the cigarette being alternated by most natives with any apparent preference.

THE PALMIST'S REVENGE.

How Laska Turned the Tables on an Intractable Snuffer Who Annoyed Him.

The latest adept in palmistry to excite attention in New York is a young man named Laska, who is said to have created a furor in certain cultured circles.

CAKE WALKERS.

A Place in Chicago Where Good Ones Are Turned Out Every Day.

It may not be generally known that Chicago has a factory for the production of cake walkers, says the Chicago Chronicle.

MERCHANT MARINE.

It Has Come to Be an Important Subject in France.

Steps to Be Taken for Upholding Its Tonnage Entered at Marseilles Compared with Other Cities.

Consul Skinner, at Marseilles, sends to the state department an abstract of the annual report of the Marseilles chamber of commerce to the minister of commerce on the state of French merchant marines.

This state of affairs, if prolonged, would lead to the most disastrous social, political and military results; and it is but natural that the government should give its attention to the best methods of ameliorating such a serious condition of affairs.

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IMPROVEMENTS NEEDED.

Hill of the House of Representatives at Capitol Building to Be Remodeled.

After the adjournment of congress the architect of the capitol will remodel the hill of the house of representatives, its lobby, the seating of the hall, and the ventilating and heating system.

THEY WILL AVOID MEXICO.

New Extradition Treaty Spoils the Haven for All Fugitives from Justice.

The department of state has received a report from Ambassador Clayton at the City of Mexico showing that the governments of the United States and Mexico have just agreed on the terms of a new extradition treaty to replace that which lapsed about a fortnight ago.

GLASS FOR WEIGHTS FOR SEALS.

It is said that the government of Switzerland has approved the use of glass for making weights to be employed with balance scales.

ALASKA'S FIRST WHITE CHILD.

Its Father Was Colonel Brady, Who Died in Chicago the Other Day.

Lieut. Col. George K. Brady, U. S. A., who died a few days ago at his home in Chicago, was the father of the first American child born in Alaska.

There were about 500 Americans and 600 foreigners in the territory in addition to the native population, variously estimated from 30,000 to 60,000.

There was great mourning when it was announced that death had come to Alaska's first American child, and there was an impressive funeral service.

KILLED BY A YUKON BEAR.

Plucky Fight of a Gold Hunter Which Ended in the Death of Both.

F. H. Browning, of Seattle, Wash., who has just returned from Dawson over the ice, brings news of the terrible death of Carl Joel, of New York, who was killed by a Yukon bear on the banks of Indian river.

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TURN A MAUSER BULLET.

The Remarkable Results Which Are Obtained with a New French Cuirass.

Remarkable experiments with a new cuirass constructed by a French inventor named Thuraud were made at Anieres. The cuirass is composed of a sheet of metal fitted with an inner and an outer lining.

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