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STRONG SENTIMENT AGAINST THE SCHOOL TAX. Resolves for the Cumberland Mills Apportioned—Trial of Berry Cook for Murder—J. B. Foreman's Work on a United States District Court Clerk.

some strange and unaccountable freak of the post that letter got lost and continued lost so long that it never saw official light.

With such leadership as that what is there to hold a party together, assuming that party to be composed of men of ordinary intelligence and reasonable self respect?

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for a material revival in business depends upon the foreign demand for American products, but unfortunately at this time when the indications point to a large surplus of foodstuffs, which other countries will need, the party in power is pursuing a tariff policy which will handicap our foreign trade...

There never was a legislative device so thoroughly permeated with fraud as the protective tariffs that the Republican party has thrust upon the people of this country, and none that ever approached in this particular the tariff now under consideration.

Both sides introduced a host of witnesses in support of their respective contentions. The State's main witness was Alice Andrews, colored, who nursed the Andrews woman while she was confined during her sickness.

The great obstacle in the way of the development of the beet sugar industry is the determination of the Sugar Trust to prevent its growth. That monopoly is in the hands of the refining new tariff and its present attitude is against an increase in the number or output of beet factories.

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A few weeks ago a "human ostrich" in Kansas City succumbed to a surgical operation to relieve him of the cargo of junk he had taken on.

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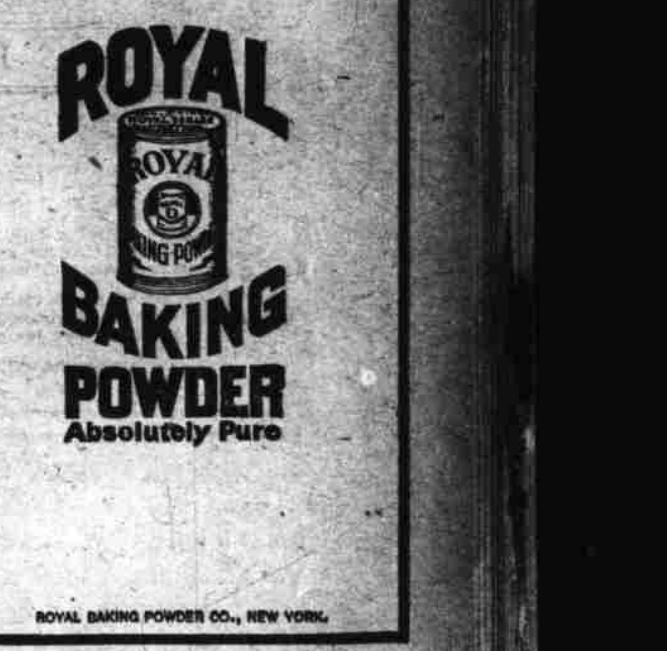
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