

THIS BOX IS MAGIC.

The fuel cell, which may be an abundant source of power before long, was demonstrated by its inventor, Mr. Francis Bacon, at Cambridge. Water, when electricity is passed through it, breaks up into oxygen and hydrogen. The fuel cell reverses the process. The current generated can be applied to anything that can be electrically driven. As Bacon himself put it: "from submarines to space ships". The present demonstration everything was driven by the new power source.

Experiments in trains powered by the cell may be made in a few years time. Cars, lorries, ships - all may be driven by this energy in the next decade. Bacon says that if he had a million pounds it could happen more quickly. Surely that sum can be found for a venture so rich in the promise of power.