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IMPROVE THE NAVY.

In all the discussions upon the absorbing questions of the day, there seem to be but one conclusion, and that is that this country should have and maintain a first-class navy.

The actual possession of a sufficient number of first class fighting war vessels, would give us a surer guarantee of peace and unmolestation from European nations, than any other action or all other measures combined.

"A few days ago it was announced," says the San Francisco Chronicle, "that Russia was preparing to making imwere told some months ago of contracts with American manufacturers for large quantities of armor plate for that country. There is little or no doubt that in spite of the temporary opposition which has developed the German emperor will secure the appropriations which he asks determined to expend a very large sum footing. France is all the time adding that time. to her naval strength, especially in the guns and matters of that kind, while together and at the same time, which 000,000 a year in strengthening and im- was unanimous, as I stated before. But tive crime of the century. proving her navv.

and the United States could hardly be on the succeeding day, when Mr. Dufur, embarrassing to McKinley, and those in doubt, but prevention is better than through the telephone, gave me an out- who know Foraker best believe he knew cure, and when we see every great na- line of what he had written, which was this and intended this. tion of the world improving its navy, virtually in accordance with your stateand understand that there is a deter- ment of the conditions of the contract in mination to check the bully of the seas today's paper. But in addition thereto on his own ground, it is not well for us be said they were "bound to interfere in to be wiser than everybody else. Had no way with any riparian or irrigation we today a first-class navy even that ob- rights of anyone taking water from stinate and truculent leader, Salisbury, river." I then told the judge that I would change his tone materially on the could see no objection to the contract Venezuelan question and would receive and thought it all right, since which a new and sudden light on the Monroe time I have heard nothing further. I doctrine and the principle of interna- did not know the contract was signed

end of the matter. EDITOR CHRONICLE:

from Winans Bros. and an explanation in your issue of today in regard to the action of the county court at its last session in declaring Hood river a public the other members of the court I should be heard in the matter.

from the Glacier is concerned, I was not correctly quoted, and as soon as I noticed it I wrote a reply and went to the editor with it, intending also to reply

county, as the records will show and the present price of county warrants prove.

A. S. BLOWERS. through your paper; but discovering it | Hood River, Jan. 29, 1896.

Blythe's part, I thought it an act of courtesy to set the matter right through the columns of the same paper in which the mistake occurred; also believing

mills here would be the making of our ence to the "crime of 1873." little city, besides bringing a large amount of taxable property into the worthless. But knowing the propensity some of our good citizens have for kicktract until a very few minutes before for the increase of the German navy, action, and left the matter as it wasand now comes the news that China has unsettled, so far as the contract was concerned: but had declared the river a in putting her navy upon a genuine war public highway several days prior to

upon my arrival home I had scarcely

until this morning; but supposed it was. The communication which is published below was received this many suptraction to justify the two or three days time in which the matter was being ar
Jos T Peters, sup I write this long explanation to justify lished below was received this morning ranged between the judge and Winans from Mr. Blowers. We are very glad to Bros., I consulted with the people here give the requested space, as it is the de- and told them the condition of affairs, sire of this paper to give both sides the and thereby got their opinions and sevstrictest justice. As THE CHRONICLE eral suggestions, which I communicated has no interest in the matter further to the judge. But, now, taking your than this, we do not make any comment statement that the matter was all closed upon the contents of the letter, though up before court adjourned. It appears Mr. Blowers, in writing that The CHRON. as if I had been simply "trumping" up ICLE said the matter was "all closed up telephone messages to make the people in open court," does not quote us cor- here believe I had nothing to do with it. rectly. What this paper said was that Judge Blakeley, Mr. Dufur, Winans whatever was done, was done with the Bros. and the operator at this end of the full concurrence of all the members of telephone will all agree that my statethe county court, and Mr. Blowers was ments are true. I cannot understand present when the granting of the fran- why you make the statement that the chise was decided upon. This is the matter was all closed up in open court, granting an extension of time for the when it is not the truth. If I were in payment of bonds due on March 1st. politics and this came from my oppo- Attorney W. H. Wilson was instructed is a mistake on your part.

I have done nothing since I have been county commissioner that I am ashamed highway. etc., I feel that in justice to of, nor have I ever shirked my responsibility. My official acts are public prop-

was an unintentional mistake on Mr. IS FORAKER ATTACKING MC-KINLEYS

Joseph B. Foraker, says the Globethat no one of my friends would for a tion to the senate a few days ago to sucmoment believe I would stoop so low as ceed Calvin S. Brice, made a speech to to prevaricate in order to shun my share the legislature, in which he used these exceedingly pleasant one, there being of responsibility in any action taken in words among others: "I believe also enough on the floor to add brilliancy to open court, when I had acquiesced in bimetallism. I believe the world the scene, and yet not too many for the there. (But it appears I was mistaken made a mistake when it demonetized silin my estimate of my friends.) I there- ver. I sincerely hope some safe fore wrote a reply setting everything way may be found for the restoration of tumes and looked their prettiest, the right; but as our paper is not issued un- silver to its rightful place alongside of gentlemen not lacking in gallantry. til Saturday, although my explanation gold as a money of ultimate redemption. was in the hands of the editor long be- I shall favor every measure calculated, fore I saw the article in your paper, I in my judgment, to bring about that refeel that I am entitled to an explanation sult, subject always, however, to the conthrough the columns of THE CHRONICLE. dition that it provides for the mainte-The affidavit above mentioned is of nance of the parity of the two metals." course true, and so is your statement so This extract is from the speech as given far as it goes; but to make matters plain in the Cincinnati "Times-Star," a paper to Hood Riverites I will explain fully, very friendly to Foraker. Some of When Mr. Winans approached me in the other reports made Foraker use regard to the matter I was much pleased harsher language in condemnation of with the idea, knowing that the opening "demonetization," and appeared to of the river and building and operating make a more direct and specific refer-

The last clause of this extract may seem to take the free silver sting out of county and making large and almost it. It is a straddle and a scuffle, yet it endless forests of timber tributary valu- is not quite so skillful as the work in able, whereas it is now comparatively this line which is done by some of the state and national conventions. It is not the sort of an utterance that John ing, I advised Mr. Winans to go down Sherman would make in this exigency. and see how they felt in regard to the The man making it could certainly never matter; which he did. Upon his re- be a member in good standing of the turn he reported everyone in favor of Hayes branch, which was the dominant the project, and those along the stream branch of the Ohio Republican party. willing to sign away their rights to the It is evident that the man who used bank for the purpose of making im. these words thinks that the act of Febportant additions to her navy, and we provements. Being very favorably im- ruary 12, 1873, dropping the standard pressed with the proposition myself, and silver dollar from the list of coins to be believing that all my neighbors felt the issued thereafter from the United States same as I did, I, of course, favored it. mints was a terrible blow to the coun-Mr. Winans did not hand in his con- try's prosperity, and to the cause of sound finance. Of course the real "decourt adjourned, when we looked hur- monetization" was brought about by the riedly over it, but had no time to take legislation of 1834-7, which made silver. at the new ratio, worth more as bullion than as coin, and consequently kept silver, except in trifling amounts, away H Logan, Dr A Sturdevant. from the mints, while the law of 1873 was merely the legal recognition of Your article would lead readers to be- something which had been a physical direction of torpedo boats, rapid fire lieve that the whole matter was settled fact for nearly forty years. It is clear, Dalles this winter has been one of the however, that the senator elect thinks Great Britain is spending nearly \$100,- was not done, except so far as the court the law of 1873 was the greatest legisla- A rivalry among some of our leading

most British statesmen and politicians sieged with all manner of questions, and sue at the present time, and will not, defensive purposes chiefly, but the scheme was being carried out on the gressional canvass of 1896. There must nificantly, 'whatever confidence we phone and informed me that Mr. Winans the time. He is well aware that every project: Englishmen may have in the sense of was there to close up the contract. I presidential aspirant, and McKinley in justice and moderation of our govern- suggested that the matter lie over until particular, is taking especial pains to ment in any difficulties with France, we our next session, but he informed me dodge the silver question. That is the may be prepared to admit that our lan- that Mr. Winans was anxious to close one subject that none of the presidencythreat which the United States cannot had Attorney Dufur drawing up a con- he is aware that McKinley dare not for-

The Water Commision Meeting.

A meeting of the water commission was held this morning, at which were present Commissioners Robt Mays, J'O Mack, J B Crossen, H C Nielsen and Hugh Chrisman. As the president, T A Ward, was absent, Hon. Robt. Mays was chosen to act as president protem. After the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved, the following bills were ordered paid:

I C Nickleson, sup Gunning & Hockman, labor Hugh Chrisman, secy Mays & Crowe, mdse	1 35 2 90 5 00
The report of Treasurer	
which was read and accepted	, 18 as fol-
lows:	
Dec 31, '95, cash on hand	
Jan 31, cash from water rent.	
County warrant water rent	2 00
Total	. \$1367 82
CONTRA.	
By warrants paid	\$ 156 04

A communication was received from the Aetna Life Insurance Company meeting. This finished the business are unknown. before the commission.

"Five years ago," says Anga A. Lewis, Ricard, N. Y., "I had a constant cough, erty. All I ask is that the whole truth night sweats, was greatly reduced in so heard in the matter.

So far as my part in the article quoted ways ready to abide the consequences of physicians. I began to take Aver's physicians. I began to take Ayer's bottles was completely cured."

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A merry crowd of dancers assembled at the Baldwin opera house last evening Democrat, immediately after his elec- and from 9 o'clock to 12 danced to the inspiring strains of the Orchestra Union's music. The occasion was an comfort of the dancers. The young ladies were attired in becoming cos-The hours sped quickly away, and the arrival of midnight brought to a close a delightful occasion. It was the expressed wish of those who were present that a repetition would soon occur, Among the dancers were: Mr and Mrs Briggs, Mr and Mrs T J

Driver, Mr and Mrs Chas Hilton, Judge and Mrs G C Blakeley, Mr and Mrs E O McCoy, Mr and Mrs W H Moody, Mr and Mrs L E Crowe, Mr and Mrs F Faulkner, Mr and Mrs Geo Faulkner of win last evening; but a good-sized au-Oakland, Calif, Mr and Mrs A J Tolmie, dience, and one that was very appreci-Mr and Mrs B S Huntington, Mr and company in Alexander Domas' well-Mrs T J Senfert, Mr and Mrs W E Gar- known play, "Camille," We have no retson, Mr and Mrs Newman, Mr hesitancy in speaking in the highest and Mrs Jas A Crossen, Mrs E C terms of the acting done by the mem-Price, Mrs J T Peters, Misses Eckler of bers of the cast. The play, as all thea-Portland, Minnie Lay, Clara Davis, ter-goers know, is one that calls out all Mattie and Mamie Cushing, Edna latent histrionic force - the dialogue Moody of Salem, Ione Ruch, Elizabeth is quick in thought and word and the Sampson, Minnie Michell, Cad Booth, situations very dramatic. Maybel Mack, Lena and Lillian Snell, Etta Story, Aimee Newman, Virginia Messrs Ed G Patterson, H W French, J H Worsley, C W Lord, Chas Clarke, M A Moody, R H Lonsdale, J F Hampshire, J G Miller, J Bonn, F S Rogers, L Porter, V Marden, Max A Vogt, B Oppenheimer, G W Phelps, F W Wilson, F Weigle, J Weigle, L E Dawson, G D Snowden, Gene Moore, C Snipes, F W Wilson, T C Nye, Vic Schmidt, W H Fowler, H Liebe, E Jacobsen, Geo Dufur, H H Riddell, John Booth, Dr

A Cordwood Trust.

The low price of cordwood in The marked conditions of the season's trade. firms has put the price down to a figure But why did Foraker bring up the sil- that makes it cheap to keep warm. "The general idea, and the one which stepped off the train until I was be- ver question at all? Silver is not an is- Large quantities of cordwood have been brought up the river and the great supseek to cultivate, possibly to placate the was informed that a report was being outside of the mining states, figure in ply coupled with the fact of the mild taxpayer, is that the navy is needed for circulated to the effect that this whole any shape in the presidential or con- weather we have been having, made the wood a drug on the market. The beach Right Hon. G. Shaw Lefevre, in an ar- part of Winans Bros. and myself to be some reason for this outbreak which has been, and is yet, covered to a large ticle published in 1891, put a different thwart and prevent the building of a does not appear upon the surface. For- extent with wood. The cutters beaspect on the enormous increase in the proposed ditch or canal; besides any aker is something more than a political tween here and the Cascades have not naval strength of Great Britain. He amount of other nonsensical rumors. "enfant terrible." It would be a mis- enjoyed the cut war here, and are murpointed out that while France main- In fact I found that, after talking to take to attribute his periodical irrup- muring because of decreased return for tains its navy in the proportion of two- favorably to Mr. Winans, through the tions to mere moral perversity or physi- their labor. They are thinking of imithirds that of England, it can, by alli- workings of our chronic kickers, an en- cal exuberance of wantonness. There is tating some of the big eastern concerns ance with some one or more other naval tire change of feeling in regard to the method in all of them. Foraker is not and forming a trust and by means of it, powers, be in a position not far short matter had been effected. The next day a reckless and rattle-brained blunderer, cause the price to raise. Here is what that of England, and he adds, very sig- Judge Blakeley called me to the tele- but is one of the shrewdest politicians of the Stevenson Pioneer has to say of the

We understand there is a movement on foot among the cordwood men along purpose of putting up the price of wood. This is a step in the right direction, and guage and attitude on many questions it up, and that the judge and clerk could seekers will "define" himself upon it seems to be the only way out of the would be different and less conciliatory legally close it up, whereupon I advised squarely and specifically. No man so low that wood cutters can scarcely if the navy of France were reduced to a him to be very careful not to give a mo- knows better than Foraker that a sus- make their grub, and it is foolish for this always-popular organization shared point where it would give us no concern nopoly whereby interested parties could picion that McKinley held the Foraker men to wear their lives out at work at whatever.' "There is in these remarks a veiled judge called me again and told me he the convention, while at the same time the greatest economy, of getting ahead applause of the evening. The Dalles at all. When a man works hard he can well be proud of its orchestra, and should get such compensation for his the compliments paid to it by the memafford to disregard. It is true that the tract, which he would submit to me for final outcome of a war between England my opinion, or sanction, which he did Foraker outbreak must prove seriously in case of sickness. If a man cannot get such compensation he had better rustle for another job. Therefore we say let size is unusual. the cordwood men all along the middle Altogether it river combine, and not sell a stic of wood for less than living prices. They have everything in their own hands if they will only take advantage of the situation.

Killed at the Locks.

Coroner Butts returned this morning from Cascade Locks, where he went to hold an inquest over the remains of William Murray, who was killed yesterday afternoon by having a portion of its verdict as follows:

We, the jury, empanelled by the coroner to inquire into the cause of the death was about the age of 30 years, light complexioned and light mustache, weight about 140 pounds, height about five feet six inches. That he came to his death while working on embankment at the Cascade Locks, the said and the gather herself together for the stately steamer paused a moment as if of William Murray, find that said Murray ment at the Cascade Locks, the said em- to gather herself together for the plunge bankment sliding upon him and killing and then moving slowly at first, started

From Mr. Hix.

EDITOR CHRONICLE: Cherry Pectoral, and after using two given at the I. O. G. T. hall at Dufur to be painted, but a new coat will be given my sickness.

and he is doing all in his power to save my leg. I went under two severe operations. My knee has been very bad the last month. An amputation may be necessary yet, but he says there is a chance of saving it. I suffer a great deal of pain, but it gives me a great deal of encouragement to know that my friends have not forgotten me yet, and I shall always remember the kindness tendered myself and my family during my long misfortune.

periences I have gone through, but with sincerest wishes for your future welfare and most heartfelt thanks to you all for your substantial sympathy shown us.

I remain as ever. Yours sincerely,

Marden, Anna Moore, Mamie Wenner, Ellsler had the audience as her admirers. Her first words showed her to be an actress of finished art. Possessed of great natural ability, she has trained her talents till they have reached that point which may be called high development. The story of "Camil'e" is Three or four more days will complete familiar to all readers of literature. The life of the gay and frivolous society of Paris is pictured with stern reality, and the touch of true love, which forms the basis for the tale, is shown with touching tenderness. Miss Ellsler had varied opportunities to prove her ability as an actress, and she has improved them all. Her acting is natural, graceful, and not lacking in force.' In the third act. where the great sacrifice occurs, she showed that reserve, that suppressed emotion in a manner which only the

maining members of the cast without giving them their just due. Mr. Holbrook Blinn as "Armand Duval" shared with Miss Ellsler the honors of the evening. He is a young actor, who showed by his performance last evening that his future in theatrical lines is a bright one. As "Monsieur Daval" Mr. John Ellsler was a great success. Mr. True S. James made a capital "Count De Varville." The "Gaston Rieux" and "Gustave" of Mr. George D. Baker and Mr. Andrew Hitchcock deserve much praise. Miss Stannard as "Nanine," the French maid, acted her part very well, while Miss Lestina as "Madame Prudence" added much strength to the cast. Miss the river to form a combination for the Dauncourt and Miss Benson as "Nichette" and "Olympe" were fully up to the remainder of the cast.

The Orchestra Union distinguished itwith the members of the cast the hearty bers of the cast showed that the possession of such musicians by a town of this

Altogether it can truthfully be said that the Ellsler company is one of the very best that ever came to The Dalles, and in the minds of some critics, really Lime. surpasses any troupe before in the city. The Baldwin should be crowded this evening. The company is deserving of

The Launching of the Regulator.

Without a hitch or bobble the Regulator was launched vesterday afternoon. the embankment, under which he was In expectancy of the event the directors working, fall upon him. Murray was of the D. P. & A. N. Co. and quite a working with two other men in a place number of the friends of the boat line not considered dangerous. When the had assembled at the boat yard, where bank began to give away the men started all was excitement with the hurry and to run and the other two succeeded in bustle of preparation. The stately craft getting away, but Murray was not fast rested upon the ways, as if she felt she enough. A jury was summoned this were the cynosure of all eyes. The hour morning and the following witnesses for the launching had been set at 4 called: Dr. C. F. Candiana, W. H. Mc- o'clock and before that time everything Kee, M. Keating, J. M. McIsaac. After was in readiness for the plunge. Upon hearing the testimony, the jury returned the decks stood a number of ladies and gentlemen to whom the ride down the ways was a novel experience. When word was given the keen edges of the down the ways. As the hull struck the From all reports the accident seems to water, those on the boat and on shore be classed as "unavoidable." The un-saluted her with cheering and the wavcoming from supposed friends, I hope it light plant and to report at the next living in Albany. His other relatives was in every way a great success, and Mr. Hannahan, who had the active charge of the repairs and launching, felt well pleased with the result.

I wish to express my sincere thanks thoroughly repaired and painted, the to the people of Kingsley, Dufar and water line being marked by a streak of The Dalles for the second beneficial ball red. The interior of the boat will not enable me to pay my expenses during to the outside. After being towed to ber wharf, the repairs on the Regulator I am under the care of Dr. Andrew will be completed, and these prepara-C. Smith, and I wish to say that he is tions, it is hoped, will make ready for

I hope none of you may suffer the ex-

DAVIES HIX.

A Meritorious Performance.

Not every seat was taken at the Bald-Mr and Mrs Frank Menefee, Mr and Mrs ative, was present to witness the per-W H Groat, Mr and Mrs A N Varney, formance of Miss Ellsler and her capable

> From the rising of the curtain till after the death scene in the last act. Miss best of actresses can do.

We would not wish to pass by the re

PHYSICAL STRENGTH, cheerful spirits and the ability to fully enjoy life, come only with a healthy body and mind. The young man who suffers from nervons debility, impaired memory, low spirits, irritable temper, and the thousand and one derangements of mind and body that

result from, un-natural, pernici-ous habits usually contracted in youth, through ignorance, is thereby incapac-itated to thoroughly enjoy life. He feels tired, spiritless, and drowsy; his sleep is disturbed fresh him as it

should; the will power is weakened, morbid fears haunt him and may result in confirmed hypochondria, or melanin softing of the brain, epilepsy, ("fits"), paralysis, locomotor ataxia and even in dread insanity. To reach, re-claim and restore such unfortunates to health and happiness, is the aim of the publishers of a book of

136 pages, written in plain but chaste ge, on the nature, symptoms and language, on the nature, sympton accurability, by home-treatment, of such diseases. This book will be sent sealed, in plain envelope, on receipt of this notice with ten cents in stamps, for postage. Address, World's Dispensary Medage. Address, World's Dispensar ical Association, Buffalo, N. Y. For more than a quarter of a century physicians connected with this widely celebrated Institution have made

treatment of the diseases above hinted at their specialty. Thousands have con-sulted them by letter and received advice and medicines which have resulted in Sufferers from premature old age, or loss of power, will find much of interest in the book above mentioned.

ber early appearance in Portland. the work on the boiler and the steamer will then be ready for service.

Among the ladies who were on board at the launching were, Mrs. Capt. Waud, Misses Edna and Grace Glenn, Vergie Cooper, Anna Mann, Georgia Sampson, Clara Sampson, Hattie Cram and Grace

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The Dalles, Oregon.