

# The Dalles Chronicle

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## PART I.

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### ACTIVITY IS UNABATED

#### Purchase of Rapid-Fire Guns Has Been Ordered.

THE ORDER WAS MADE BY ALGER

Navy Department Officers in Conference Regarding the Sending of Coal South of Cuban Waters.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 11.—Negotiations are proceeding for the purchase of the Brazilian cruiser *Amazonas* and her sister ship, the *Barbosa*, by the United States, but so far as the navy department is advised, have not been closed. The negotiations for the purchase of two Japanese cruisers now building in Philadelphia and San Francisco are off, and present indications are that no further steps will be taken toward acquiring the ships. The Japanese government appears to be even more desirous of securing these ships than the United States, and owing to the delicate character of the aspect of affairs between Russia and Japan, it is felt that the needs of Japan are just as urgent as those of the United States.

Lieutenant Stone, a representative of the Carnegie Steel Company, was at the navy department today in conference with officials regarding the preparations for a possible war, in progress. Officers of the navigation bureau were very busy translating cipher messages today. It is said that all of these came in overnight, and they presumably related to the purchase of ships abroad.

Secretary Long spent a good deal of time today in consultation with Assistant Secretary Roosevelt and Captain Bradford, chief of the bureau of equipment, concerning a supply of coal for the vessels now cruising south of Cuba. The gunboats *Wilmington* and *Indianapolis* reported to the navy department overnight from the Caribbean sea.

The torpedo flotilla at Key West will soon be reinforced by two fine boats, which have been under repairs.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 11.—Secretary Alger has ordered General Flagler, chief of ordnance, to make arrangements at once for purchasing a large number of rapid-firing guns for the sea and coast defenses. The action is taken without waiting for an allotment among the different bureaus of the war and navy departments of the \$50,000,000 voted for the national defense.

It is now stated by the ordinance officials that directions have been given to the various arsenals and armories controlled by the government to increase their working force to the fullest practicable extent, with a view to hurrying to completion existing projects. Likewise all firms having contracts to supply the government with ordnance have been required to work night and day in order to finish the work in hand and to arrange their business with a view to increased orders.

As to the small arms and extra ammunition, orders have already been placed with the Union Metallic Cartridge Company and the Winchester Arms Company. Negotiations for a large supply of small arms, army equipments and accoutrements are now being made.

Fort McHenry and Baltimore harbor, will be selected as headquarters for one of the new regiments of artillery, instead of Fort Wadsworth, N. Y., as originally proposed. The selection of Fort Stoom as headquarters for one of the regiments will not be altered.

General Greeley, chief signal officer, has been given authority by the secretary of war to proceed without regard to ordinary restrictions, in establishing rapid telegraphic connections between coast defenses.

#### ROSECRANS DEAD.

His Services to His Country During the Late War.

LOS ANGELES, Mar. 11.—General William Stark Rosecrans died at 7 o'clock this morning at his home near Redondo. His death was not unexpected, it having been realized several days ago that his illness could not have other than a fatal termination.

General Rosecrans' death was peaceful in the extreme. For several days he has been between life and death, at times unconscious and again in a comatose state. His splendid vitality kept him alive for days. At the bedside when the end came were the son and daughter of the general, Carl and Anna Rosecrans, and a number of immediate

### SYRUP OF FIGS



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Syrup of Figs is for sale in 50 cent bottles by all leading druggists. Any reliable druggist who may not have it on hand will procure it promptly for any one who wishes to try it. Do not accept any substitute.

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friends of the family, besides the attending physician, Dr. Haynes, from this city.

Rosecrans was stricken with no particular disease, and the end came through a gradual weakening of the system. When he was first stricken, more than two weeks ago, it was not supposed to be more than a light attack of la grippe.

A daughter of Rosecrans, Mrs. Toole, is now at Helena, Mont., where her husband resides.

Rosecrans was possessed of a fine property and his last days were spent in peace and plenty.

Arrangements for the funeral have not yet been announced.

#### THE DAY IN CONGRESS.

Private Claims Bill Considered Under Special Order.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 11.—Under the special order made last week, today was set aside in the house for consideration of a bill containing provisions for claims aggregating \$1,200,000, reported by the court of claims under the provisions of the Bowman act.

Hull of Iowa, Republican, chairman of the military affairs committee, reported a complete agreement by the conferees on the army appropriation bill. The report was agreed to without debate.

The house then went into committee of the whole and took up the special order. Loud of California demanded the reading of the bill, which covers 80 pages.

The Shakers of Mount Lebanon, a community of simple, honest, God-fearing men and women, have prepared the Shaker Digestive Cordial for many years, and it is always the same, simple, honest, curative medicine that has helped to make the Shakers the healthy, long-lived people that they are. The Shakers never have indigestion. This is partly owing to their simple mode of life, partly to the wonderful properties of Shaker Digestive Cordial. Indigestion is caused by the stomach glands not supplying enough digestive juice. Shaker Digestive Cordial supplies what's wanting. Shaker Digestive Cordial invigorates the stomach and all its glands so that after awhile they don't need help. As evidence of the honesty of Shaker Digestive Cordial, the formula is printed on every bottle. Sold by druggists, price 10 cents to \$1.00 per bottle.

#### Favorable Report Ordered.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 11.—The house committee on public lands agreed to report favorably the Shafoth bill for the cession of all arid lands to the state in which they are located. Under the Carey act, 1,000,000 acres have already been ceded to the respective states, but none but Wyoming have taken advantage of the act.

We are anxious to do a little good in this world and can think of no pleasanter or better way to do it than by recommending One Minute Cough Cure as a preventive of pneumonia, consumption and other serious lung troubles that follow neglected colds.

**One Minute Cough Cure, cures.**  
That is what it was made for.

### HOLE IN THE MAINE

#### Everything Points to an External Explosion.

#### VIEWS EXPRESSED BY AN EXPERT

Captain Pearl's Arguments Refuted—Method of Work of the Spanish Divers.

HAVANA, Mar. 15.—It is impossible to send direct from Havana anything in refutation of Captain Pearl's statement yesterday regarding the views of the Spanish board of inquiry on the Maine disaster.

As to the whole in the Maine, an expert in question makes the very important statement that the Maine drew 28 to 30 feet at the time of the explosion and had about 10 feet of water beneath her bottom. On the port side, where the United States divers are now at work, there is at present 27 feet of water. May this not be the hole which Captain Pearl says could not be found? If it was, the whole was more than seven feet deep when the explosion took place, and had greatly filled since.

As to the finding of dead fish, the court of inquiry has not seen a solitary fish since the work began on the wreck. The bodies removed from the Maine have not been touched by fishes. Some of the fishermen in Havana testified that there were no fish inside the harbor the water being too foul for them.

Further, as to the alleged discoveries of Spanish divers reported to Captain Pearl, five American divers have been working on the port side of the wreck on an average of seven hours a day each for nearly three weeks, in a space 50 feet long and 20 feet wide. The Spanish divers have never been inside the wreck at all, neither have they ever been on the port side, devoting the short hours which they spent under water to the starboard and forward parts and outside the hull.

Recently, to their own surprise, they brought in two cans of ammunition for the 6-inch guns, not exploded. They dropped them back when the light of surface showed that they were not exploded and what their nature really was.

The Spanish divers often go down only long enough to get their suits wet, and then come up and hide behind a blanket on the barge, where they sleep or rest for a couple of hours, and then go ashore and report that they cannot see anything in the water and mud.

The expert interviewed by the correspondent expressed the belief that the Maine was blown up by what is known as a Newport torpedo, a stationary torpedo, or something of the same nature. This engine of destruction is the joint production of the labors of Commander Converse, commander of the Montgomery; Lieutenant-Commander McLean, now in command of the torpedo stations at Newport, and Lieutenant Holman, ordnance officer of the Maine at the time of the explosion. The Newport torpedo can be planted from a small boat, and the expert believes that this one was exploded by being struck on the port side of the Maine forward of amidships as she swung at her moorings. He thinks this more likely than that wires were laid ashore, as the wires, if laid for any length would sink deep in the harbor mud.

It would be singular if it should be proved that the Maine was blown up by a torpedo in the invention of which one of her principal officers, Lieutenant Holman, played a notable part.

All the foregoing statements come from an authority on which the court depended for much of its evidence, and is given the correspondent without reservation, except as to the name and rank of the giver. The expert further believes that the destroying mine was made up of four torpedoes of thirty-six pounds each, of wet and dry gun cotton, or 144 pounds in all.

In the judgment of the correspondent, the United States court of inquiry is fully aware of the views which the Spanish court of inquiry will promulgate, and has also made a careful investigation on the same lines, so as to be able either to confirm or refute the forthcoming report of the Spanish board.

#### Survivor Wants Pardon.

LINCOLN, Neb., Mar. 15.—Patrick Ford, an ex-member of the Omaha city council, visited Governor Holcombe to plead for a pardon for his son, Patrick Ford, jr., one of the survivors of the Maine disaster. Young Ford two years ago was convicted of burglary and sentenced to 15

years in the penitentiary. He escaped from jail, made his way to Boston, enlisted in the navy under an assumed name, and was assigned to the Maine. A letter from him to his parents details his experience in the wreck, where he was wounded. Letters from other sources tend to confirm this story.

Governor Holcombe has not yet indicated what action he will take.

#### None Available in Italian Yards.

LONDON, Mar. 12.—A special dispatch from Rome says agents of the United States navy department have been visiting the shipyards at Genoa and Leghorn to buy warships, but have found none available.

#### Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

This remedy is intended especially for coughs, colds, croup, whooping cough and influenza. It has become famous for its cures of these diseases, over a large part of the civilized world. The most flattering testimonials have been received, giving accounts of its good works; of the aggravating and persistent coughs it has cured; of severe colds that have yielded promptly to its soothing effects, and of the dangerous attacks of croup it has cured, often saving the life of the child. The extensive use of it for whooping coughs has shown that it robs that disease of all dangerous consequences. For sale by Blakeley & Houghton.

#### Esterhazy's Grandstand Play.

PARIS, Mar. 12.—Colonel Piquart declined to notice Comte Ferdinand Esterhazy's challenge to a duel, the latter has written a letter accusing him of cowardice and threatening the horse-whip him.

#### Mechanics are Enlisting.

NEW YORK, Mar. 12.—The enlisting of skilled mechanics, machinists, seamen and ironworkers was continued today at the Brooklyn navy-yard.

#### Deafness Cannot be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars; free.

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#### Night Work at the Arsenal.

NEW YORK, Mar. 12.—Fifty more mechanics will be at work at the Watertown arsenal Monday, and night work in the machinery department will be begun.

Sheep marking paint; ready for use. Two colors, black and red. Why you should use our sheep paint. First, because the colors are ground thoroughly in pure linseed oil by fine machinery; second, because it is made of high grade color, with the proper amount of driers added to give it binding and lasting qualities, which prevent it from washing or rubbing off; third, it is much more economical, because it is always ready for use. We guarantee our sheep marking paints to give satisfaction. Try it and be convinced. Clarke & Falk, agents, The Dalles, Or.

#### Spanish Torpedo Flotilla.

MADRID, Mar. 12.—The Spanish torpedo flotilla has not yet left Cadiz. The vessels will sail for the Canary islands as soon as the weather moderates.

#### Ex-Congressman Brown Dead.

SMYRNA, Ind., Mar. 11.—Ex-Congressman Jason B. Brown, of the "Old Third" Indiana district, is dead, aged 59 years.

Rev. E. Edwards, pastor of the English Baptist Church at Minersville, Pa., when suffering with rheumatism, was advised to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm. He says: "A few applications of this liniment proved of great service to me. It subsided the inflammation and relieved the pain. Should any suffer profit by giving Pain Balm a trial it will please me." For sale by Blakeley & Houghton.

#### To Be Transferred to London.

LONDON, Mar. 14.—Senor Domingo Gana, Chilean minister at Washington, has been appointed minister plenipotentiary to the court of St. James.

#### The Fern at Key West.

KEY WEST, Mar. 14.—The dispatch boat Fern arrived here today from Matanzas.

### IT IS NOW ASSURED

#### Investors Awaiting Signs of Action.

#### ALL EYES TURN TO WASHINGTON

Sudden Change of Front on the Part of Foreign Capitalists—Results of Careful Study.

NEW YORK, Mar. 14.—A Tribune dispatch says:

Events in the United States indicate that the test laid down in President McKinley's message for solving the Cuban question are soon to be applied. Testimony to the justice of these tests is furnished from an important source. It comes from the investment of European capital. English capitalists have shown more confidence in the certainty of American intervention than have some of the American people. For months they have been making extensive investments. Now it is understood that English syndicates control most of the tobacco factories. The consolidation of the railroad system is under their guidance. Other enterprises have their direction.

All this has been going on during a period when the shadow of Spanish sovereignty over Cuba was disappearing. No single circumstance would have justified the risk of a dollar if it had rested on autonomy bringing peace or the hope of Spain being able to guarantee of stable government, nor has there been anything to encourage the belief that peace would come in the wake of the concurring arms of the peninsula or that the insurgents would be able to drive the Spaniards from the island.

English investors have taken no such wildcat chances. They have gone forward in the face of what might have proved a temporary period of anarchy or even a 60-days' war. Their business judgment has been based upon deliberate conviction that either the mediation or the intervention of the United States was inevitable, in the belief that Spain would be unable to meet the conditions on which the president would be supported by the facts in saying that the cause of intervention had been removed.

In a less pronounced way representatives of the French capitalists who have recently been in Cuba have reached the same conclusion. This has been in the face of the French holdings of Spanish bonds.

The German commercial interests long ago strongly entrenched have looked forward with complacency mingled with impatience to the time when the United States would end the struggle.

Doubtless the consuls of these European powers have reported the situation to their respective governments. Most of them have made a careful study of the economical as well as the political and military outlook. They will welcome peace or intervention as a means of releasing them from burdens. In the cities the gas companies and electric light companies can collect nothing. If they press for payment the plants are threatened with confiscation. The railroad company receives promises of future payment for the transportation of supplies.

When they press for compensation they are met with the point that the government may take the roads. Other important creditors are held off in a similar way.

#### CONFIRMED AT WASHINGTON.

Government Has Bought the Amazonas and Admiral Bruen.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 14.—The reported sale to the United States of the Brazilian cruisers *Amazonas* and Admiral Abreu now receiving their finishing touches in English shipyards, was confirmed this afternoon. It is said furthermore that Spain cannot purchase ships either from Chile or Argentine Republic.

The big armored cruiser Brooklyn arrived at Fort Monroe this morning direct from La Guayra, Venezuela. She made a fine run up and it is expected will await at Hampton Roads the arrival of the Minneapolis and Columbia, which are just fitting out at Philadelphia. This force will form an excellent nucleus for a protected "flying squadron," in case the department decides to form one.

Orders have been sent to Commodore Howell, commanding the European station, to send a force of men from the San Francisco to take possession of and hoist the United States flag on the Brazilian ship that is ready to go into com-

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mission at Newcastle. This will prevent any difficulty in case hostilities should break out, as the ship would be under the flag but lying in a friendly harbor.

#### Robbed the Grave.

A startling incident of which Mr. John Oliver of Philadelphia, was the subject is narrated by him as follows: I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised trying 'Electric Bitters,' and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they saved my life and robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them.

#### Wolf Joel Shot.

CAPE TOWN, Mar. 14.—Wolf Joel, trustee of the estate of the late Barney Barnato, the South African millionaire, was shot in his office in Johannesburg, by a former soldier.

JOHANNESBURG, Mar. 14.—The murderer of Wolf Joel, a man named Fieldstein, has been arrested.

I have been afflicted with rheumatism for fourteen years and nothing seemed to give any relief. I was able to be around all the time, but constantly suffering. I had tried everything I could hear of and at last was told to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm, which I did, and was immediately relieved and in a short time cured. I am happy to say that it has not since returned.—Josh Edgar, Germantown, Cal. For sale by Blakeley & Houghton.

#### One and One-Fifth Fare to Walla Walla

For the Dairy and Hog Convention to be held at Walla Walla March 15th, 16th and 17th, the O. R. & N. Co. will make a special rate of one and one-fifth fare for the round trip on the certificate plan. Passengers paying full fare to Walla Walla will, upon request, be given a receipt for fare paid, which, when signed by the secretary of the convention, entitles holder to purchase return ticket at one-fifth fare within three days after close of meeting.

#### JAMES IRELAND, Agent.

#### Torpedo Fleet Sails.

MADRID, Mar. 14.—The Spanish torpedo squadron sailed from Cadiz at 6 o'clock last night for the Canary islands.

#### The Discovery of the Day.

Aug. J. Biegel, the leading druggist of Shreveport, La., says: "Dr. King's New Discovery is the only thing that cures my cough, and it is the best seller I have." J. F. Campbell, merchant of Saffords, Ariz., writes: "Dr. King's New Discovery is all that is claimed for it; it never fails, and is a sure cure for Consumption, Colds and Coughs. I cannot say enough for its merits." Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds is no experiment. It has been tried for a quarter of a century, and today stands at the head. It never disappoints. Free trial bottles at Blakeley & Houghton's drug store.

#### Somewhat Different.

Miss Homewood—Charles Bruston told me that I was looking pretty this morning.

Miss Point Breeze—That isn't what he told me he said to you.

"What did he say?"

"He said that you were looking as pretty as ever."—Pittsburgh Chronicle Telegraph.

#### 'Tis an Ill Wind, Etc.

"Oh, Queenie, such sweet news! What do you think?"

"No idea, Flo! What is it?"

"Papa has been bitten by a mad dog and now we are all going to Paris. Isn't it a bit of luck?"—Pick-Me-Up.

Don't annoy others by your coughing, and risk your life by neglecting a cold. One Minute Cough Cure cures coughs, colds, croup, gripe and all throat and lung troubles.