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 Ever brought to Medford was received by S. Rosenthal this week.
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 Medford, Oregon. **S. Rosenthal.**

THE MEDFORD MAIL
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A. S. BLITON.
 MAN WAS BORN TO HUSTLE.
 He is of few days; but quite a plenty.
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MEDFORD, FRIDAY, May 6, 1898.

MANTANZAS is about eighty miles east of Havana and has a population of 88,000 people.

HERE is that unlucky 13 again. A scientist says the world will come to an end Nov. 13, 1899.

SPAIN'S warships are black. To be consistent with its history on the high seas her flag should also be black.

Now that the United States has secured Manila a piece ought to be reserved with which to hang Weyler if ever caught.

GERMANY has sidetracked her notion of friendliness to Spain and is now professing that she meant to be friendly to the United States all the time.

THE typical hobo would be fit subjects for the United States to set up in some real handy place, as targets for Spaniards to waste ammunition on.

ADVERTISING, in some cases really works an injury to business—it takes it away from the fellow who don't advertise and gives it to the fellow who does.

THERE are enough people in the United States wearing the title of colonel, who are not entitled to it, to whip Cuba—if they would take up a gun and earn the title.

IT MUST make the average member of the Oregon "hold-up" legislature sore to read of Li Hung Chang receiving from Russia a bribe of \$1,500,000. No Chinese cheap labor about that.

AN EXCHANGE heads an article "Our Navy in a Nutshell." Not so bad as that, as can be proven by news of a little skirmish a small part of it had recently near the Philippine islands.

SOME of the so-called statesmen who say Hawaii isn't worth anything seem to forget that several nations which are not in the habit of picking up worthless things are very anxious for an excuse to step in and grab the islands referred to.

IT is an acknowledged fact that Medford merchants do more business than those of any other town in Southern Oregon. They are a live class of people. Their manner of trade warfare is purely American—there is nothing Spanish about it—it is modern in every respect and their trade victories are easily won. A glance at the advertising columns of this paper will convince any reader that these advertisers are anxious for your trade. There is a

MRS. POWERS
 WILL SERVE
FREE
 A cup of AROMELLA next Thursday, Friday and Saturday, May 12th, 13th and 14th. Tillman & Bendel's Spices and Extracts.
 WE SELL **GROCERIES** **WARNER & WORTMAN**

sparkle and snap about their advertisements which bids you call upon them with a welcome that is whole-souled. They don't advertise to help out the newspaper—we don't want or expect charity—but they do advertise to get trade—and they get it.

THERE is food for thought, for others as well as for preachers, in the action of a Brooklyn minister who has announced his intention to give up a church which pays him a salary of \$6,000 a year and go into the country to preach for nothing, in order, he says, to be rewarded in a future life. There will be no trouble in filling the city appointment made vacant when he takes to the country.

Political Announcement.
 James M. Whipple, of Woodville, the regular republican nominee for representative, was born in California and is now about twenty-seven years of age. While he was yet an infant his parents moved to the Rogue river valley and settled near Woodville, where they have resided ever since. Mr. Whipple, having grown up in this county, is well versed in its wants and needs. He was educated in the public schools of the county and completed his studies in the high school at Grants Pass in 1893. For the past several years he has devoted a considerable portion of his time to the study of law. Being educated in Jackson County and growing to manhood among us, he has no axes to grind not immediately connected with Jackson County and her best interests. He is a young man of good judgment, temperate and industrious habits, and if elected to represent Jackson County in the legislature the people can rest assured that his whole time and best judgment will be devoted to their interests. We bespeak for him the support of the voters at the coming election.

The Carter-Rodgers Wedding.
 Married—April 27, 1898, at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Rodgers, F. J. Carter, of the Meadows, and Miss Flora A. Rodgers, of Table Rock. Mr. Carter has a fine farm and nice home in the Meadows to take his most estimable wife to. C. C. Gall, justice of the peace, did the honor of uniting the happy couple. After the ceremony and congratulations were over the company were ushered into the dining room where a most tempting and beautifully arranged table groaned under the weight of everything imaginable in the way of edibles that go to make occasions of this kind a success. Too much praise cannot be given our worthy host and hostess in making this, their daughter's wedding day, such a complete success—long to be remembered by relatives and friends. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Houston and J. B. Rodgers, grandparents of the bride, Mrs. Chaffey and daughter, Mary, mother and sister of the groom, Frank, H. E. and Lester Rodgers and Misses Winnie, Lulu and Myrtle Rodgers. These composed the little company which had the pleasure of witnessing and mingling together for only a few short hours but probably a lasting impression was made on some never to be forgotten, and certainly not by the old justice who had been fasting for the last three months for the occasion.
 C. C. GALL.

An "advance in lead" because of the war is reported. Lead generally does "advance" when somebody pulls the trigger.

STEVENS
 Is showing today a fine line of
Printed Dainties
 12 Yards Fro \$1.00
 About the price of calico, yet they are dainty and cool for hot weather dresses; see them in west show window
 A Bargain in
Boys Tan Shoes
 Size 3 to 5—Solid Goods
 No Shoddy. Just the thing for hot weather, at **\$1.25**
 Will be talking about a very desirable thing in
MISSES' SHOES
 Next Week
 A line of choice samples at about half price . . . **STEVENS**

COMMODORE DEWEY IS A HERO. PHILIPPINE ISLANDS ARE OURS.

RIOT AT SANTIAGO DE CUBA IN WHICH THE BRITISH CONSUL IS KILLED BY A HOT HEADED SPANIARD.—SPANISH ASIATIC SQUADRON IS A THING OF THE PAST.

KEY WEST, May 5.—Spaniards in ambush have fired upon Americans and insurgents near Havana, killing and wounding fifty.

The American gunboat Wilmington has issued a challenge by throwing several shells into her forts.

There is rioting in Spanish towns. Display of American flag in Spain by Spaniards causes bloodshed.

Sampson's objective point is Porto Rico, and he will shell the city.

Troops have landed on southern coast of Cuba. Preparations are being made for shelling Havana. Insurgents gained a victory this afternoon. Moro Castle preparing to receive American fleet.

Commodore Dewey by cipher message tells the war department that he had fifty men killed and 100 wounded in the Philippine encounter. Gunboats Petrel and Concord were badly damaged. He asks for 2000 men.

KEY WEST, Fla., May 4.—Sampson's fleet sailed this morning quietly. The people here believe a naval battle with the Spanish fleet will occur before many days.

Five hundred Cuban prisoners recently petitioned the Spanish general to be allowed to enlist in the Spanish army. General Blanco has granted the request.

WASHINGTON, May 4, 4 p. m.—A mob composed principally of Spaniards, attacked the British Consulate at Santiago, Cuba, today. The Consul was killed by a Spaniard who is now in jail in that city. The consulate building was wrecked. A riot is in progress in the city and the Spanish soldiers seem powerless to maintain order. The excitement is intense. The Spaniards since their defeat at Manila, Philippine Islands, have become desperate. It is believed by many that the British government will now take a part in the war. The Spaniards hate the English extremely on account of their sympathy being with the Americans.

HOW THE CAPTURE WAS MADE.
 The cables and wires since last Sunday have been kept hot with news of Commodore Dewey's success at the Philippine Islands. His success is briefly told in the following:
 Commodore Dewey's squadron completely destroyed the Spanish fleet in Manila harbor Sunday morning. Three of Admiral Montojo's ships were burned; one was sunk and the rest of the Spanish warships rendered hors du combat by the American guns. Our fleet entered Manila bay Sunday morning at 5 o'clock, and anchoring before Cavite the ships took up their positions in line of battle. The forts on shore at once opened fire on our ships at long range, and the Spanish fleet anchored off Cavite immediately followed with their heavy guns.
 Commodore Dewey's flagship, the Olympia, then signaled the rest of the American fleet to draw closer to shore, and soon afterwards our ships opened a terrific cannonading. After half an hour's hot fighting Dewey's ships moved out of range of the lighter Spanish guns and continued the bombardment with the big guns with terrible effect. Twenty minutes later the Olympia again signaled to close quarters and rapid and incessant cannonading began.
 This terrific bombardment, soon ended the fight. One after the other the Spanish vessels were silenced and three of them caught fire, including Montojo's flagship, the Reina Christina, from an explosion of a shell from one of our vessels. The admiral at once transferred his flag to the Isla de Cuba. One Spanish vessel was sunk and several were run ashore, to escape capture. Commodore Dewey's attention was now drawn to the land batteries, which he silenced after an energetic bombardment.
 The battle lasted an hour and a half, and it was a great and terrible spectacle. The Spaniards fought bravely against a superior force and suffered heavy losses. Four hundred Spaniards

Boyden & Nicholson,
The Hardware Men,
 Have received their spring stock of Hardware. It is the largest shipment ever made to this city, and consists of everything from a candlestick to a cooking Range.
Granite Ware IN BLUE and GRAY
TINWARE
 Made into every article known to kitchen use. Water Hose and water sprinklers, water pipe and water fittings. Garden Tools, etc, etc.

are reported killed, including two commanders. Their losses by fire are also probably very great.
 The Spaniards would not give in, and when the American fleet returned to Cavite some shots were still fired from the forts on shore, but our ships poured in such a terrible cannonade that further resistance was impossible. The Americans were apparently unajured. Commodore Dewey's attack was well carried out. The maneuvering of his squadron was a beautiful sight, and the navigation of the bay by our ships was a remarkable feat of seamanship, avoiding as they did successfully the numerous shallows.
 Commodore Dewey and the insurgents are practically in possession of the Philippine Islands.
 The war department has telegraphed to San Francisco for nine steamers to transport the California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and Arizona troops to the Philippine Islands. It now seems certain that all Pacific coast troops will be taken to Manila.

With the entire Atlantic ocean to maneuver in, the Spanish torpedo fleet, on leaving the Cape Verde Islands, managed to bring about so general a collision that three of the craft were disabled too badly to proceed. We shouldn't need many guns to subdue Spain's warships. Just give them a chance at each other.

Our Spanish friends were very anxious to meet with the Puritan, when she was scudding home, an unarmed merchant craft. In a week or two, when she has her guns mounted and puts to sea again as an auxiliary cruiser, it will be rather a safe bet that they won't be a quarter so eager to interview her.

Advices from Santiago de Cuba say that on April 23 Pombo, commanding general of that division, proclaimed that every man between 15 and 50 must volunteer in the Spanish service under penalty of arrest, trial and death. A reign of terror exists in the city and thousands leave nightly.

The government of Uruguay has forbidden the public subscription of money for Spain.
 The battleship Oregon has arrived safely at Rio Janeiro. It is expected she will join Sampson's fleet.

On all our boats a strict watch against a possible torpedo attack is being kept. All the available officers take deck watches at night, including the chaplain, paymaster's clerk and assistant surgeon.
 A Spanish troop of cavalry opened fire from an eminence along the coast of Cuba at one of our gunboats Sunday night. A couple of shells from our boat scattered dead Spaniards in Cuba—and possibly in the port where Bob Evans says the ruling language will be Spanish for the next two years. The land firing ceased immediately thereafter.

This war proposition costs big money. The payroll at Mare Island, Calif., of the construction and repair departments for labor in the first half of April amounted to \$63,000, and during the three months ending March 31, Paymaster Barry had disbursed to the employees of all the departments of the Mare Island navy-yard \$332,000.

Charles Y. Glasias, the Spanish fireman on the monitor Puritan, who was discovered trying to drill a hole in the 12-inch magazine of the vessel, and convicted by the court of inquiry, has confessed that

- POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.**
- FOR STATE TREASURER,
JOHN O. BOOTH,
 OF JOSEPHINE COUNTY,
 Regular Nominee on the Union Ticket.
 - FOR SECRETARY OF STATE
H. R. KINCAID,
 OF LANE COUNTY,
 Regular nominee on Union Ticket.
 - FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER
G. S. BUTLER,
 OF ASHLAND,
 Regular Republican Nominee.
 - FOR REPRESENTATIVE
MATHEW STEWART,
 OF TALENT,
 Regular Republican Nominee.
 - FOR SHERIFF
ALEX ORME,
 OF FOOTS CREEK PRECINCT,
 Regular Republican Nominee.
 - FOR ASSESSOR.
J. C. PENDLETON,
 OF TABLE ROCK,
 Regular Republican Nominee.
 - FOR REPRESENTATIVE
J. M. WHIPPLE,
 OF WOODVILLE,
 Regular Republican Nominee.

he wanted to blow up the Puritan. He will be shot.
 The United States gunboat Marietta, as well as the United States battleship Oregon, arrived at Rio Janeiro, Brazil, last Sunday and in company with the dynamite cruiser Nictheroy they are now making their way north.
 The Austrian cruiser Maria Theresa has been ordered to sail immediately to Cuba to protect the interests of Austro-Hungary.
 Naval officers at Madrid assert that Spain has ample money for coal supplies for six or eight months. In the colonies coal can be obtained through neutrals.
 It is reported that a new Spanish iron-clad, which is being fitted out at Carthagena, will soon join the Spanish squadron at Cadiz.
 Refugees from eastern Cuba bring an urgent message to the local junta from the insurgent leaders begging that food be sent to them instead of arms and ammunition. In two weeks starvation will be rampant in Santiago and eastern Cuba, all food heretofore brought by the Ward line steamers having been stopped.
 There are indications in London that sympathy is felt for Spain. It is becoming so pronounced that all resident Americans, even among diplomats, are compelled to admit it. Although the government's friendly attitude is unchanged, it is questioned whether a majority in Parliament now is Spanish in its

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 GRAY & BRADBURY, Prop's.
 Rough and Dressed **LUMBER,**
 Rustic, Flooring, Ceiling, Sash, Doors, Moulding, and Lathe Work.
 North D Street, Medford, Oregon.

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LIVERY, SALE and FEED STABLES.
 The best Livery turnouts in Southern Oregon. Commercial men always trade with us. . . .
COX & OWINGS, Prop'r's.
 Medford, Oregon.