

WHAT A "DRAG" DOES

Why the Transport Seward Goes to Seattle.

RANK INJUSTICE TO PORTLAND

After Lying Here All Winter, Vessel Is Suddenly Shifted to Puget Sound by a Discriminating War Department.

The transfer of the transport Seward from Portland to another illustration of Oregon's want of influence at Washington. Seattle has a "drag" that always prevails in matters of this kind.

Portland shipbuilders don't like the way they are treated by Uncle Sam. The order of the Government to have the transport Seward taken to Puget Sound for repairs they regard as too much "shenanigans."

"There is no excuse for the order of the Government," they say. "We can repair the vessel as well and as cheaply as Puget Sound shipbuilders. The Government habitually discriminates against Portland in favor of San Francisco and Puget Sound."

The protest at Washington, inspired by Puget Sound interests, is that since Portland has no drydock, it would be impossible to repair the Seward here. There are many ways in this city, three of them, that could receive the Seward easily, without the least danger of straining her.

The Seward is a small steam schooner of 667 net tons. She is 124 1/2 feet long, 32 1/2 feet wide and 14 1/2 feet deep.

The vessel was built at Seattle by the Morans and was named the G. W. Dickinson. When bought by the Government she was rechristened. It has been well understood that Uncle Sam's gold brick when he bought her, and the fact that extensive repairs are called for, to machinery and boilers, does not flatter her builders.

The vessel is wanted by the Government for the Alaska transport service by April 1. This indicates that the repairs will be made in immediate order. Just how Seattle gets its "drag" nobody knows, but the "drag" is recognized as the same old thing over again, that has often deceived Portland and its desire for recognition.

Fred A. Ballin, consulting engineer of the local Quartermaster's office, made a survey of the Seward several months ago. He recommended that the vessel be repaired at two new Scotch marine boilers. The present boiler is not adapted to the machinery, and has not enough capacity.

Moreover, the Seward could be repaired completely and cheaply by having her down in the part quarter of a century. The Chesapeake, which was repaired for over 1400 tons, was repaired here this way many years ago.

Shipbuilders and mariners men of the city are thoroughly worked up over the matter. The vessel has been here ever since last Autumn, tied up on the east side of the river. Portland shipbuilders have not had any opportunity to look her over or to submit estimates for repairing her.

Other thoughtful papers that presented from time to time, have been greatly under-estimated. Owing to a system and circumstances under which the insurgent armies were organized, it is impossible to obtain accurate or complete statistics. But it might not be very far out of the way to say that in the Province of Laguna, Cavite and Batangas the insurgents, counting in everything, have in the neighborhood of 10,000 rifles. To the force of infantry must be added the insurgent artillery. The rebels in Southern Luzon have at least two new four-inch Krupp, several excellent rapid-fire guns of small caliber, and perhaps 300 old brass cannon, and a reserve of, say, 30,000 bolomen.

Trainers in Lipa. The duplicity of the residents of Lipa has been uncovered, and the facts brought to the notice of the authorities. In return for favors received and courtesies shown, the prominent resident of Lipa laughed in his sleeve. Perhaps he took the oath of allegiance, but he did, he certainly had no intention of keeping it. Possibly he would tell some officer that he was an ardent supporter of all things that were American, and then a few hours later would write a letter some insurgent relative, in which it would be stated that his "purse and all he had were at the disposal of the insurgents."

WHY PLATT WAS LET OUT

Chinese Consul Dismissed Him as Attorney on Ground He Made Insulting Remarks About Celestials.

GENIUS OF WOMAN

Her Activity in Various Spheres the Topic at the Woman's Club.

The meeting of the Woman's Club yesterday afternoon was very well attended. In spite of the almost constant downpour of rain, after the regular routine business had been transacted, the club members listened to a very delightful programme, which was in charge of Mrs. L. M. T. Hidden.

Mrs. Mabel Ploverman read a very bright paper on the subject of "Woman as Dramatic Artist." In which she said: "In creative works, music, literature, painting and sculpture, woman has not equaled her brother, but in dramatic representation, even in the beginning of the 19th century, her serious work and evident ability had already overcome the extensive hindrances with which prejudice delights to bar her way."

Mr. Reginald Hidden delighted the audience with a violin solo, "Hungarian Airs," by Ernani, and responded to an enthusiastic encore with Popper's dainty and spirited "Erlin Dance," which was followed by a paper on "Woman in Literature," by Mrs. Rogers. The most ardent champion of the equality of the sexes, said Mrs. Rogers, "is compelled to admit that woman in literature is conspicuous by her absence. I do not mean to say that woman has not been active in literature. On the contrary, she has seized the pen as the most ready instrument of self-expression, and upon the written page has poured out the thoughts, emotions and aspirations which have swelled to utterance in the silent chambers of her soul. She has done some good work, too—work that will endure the test of time.

There were good reasons for saying, "Let the women keep silence in the congregation" at Corinth, where the people reviled in the excesses of wealth and where they abandoned themselves to vice and profligacy.

To apply this "keep silence" to woman now, is to deprive her of her voice, and to shut her out from the world of action, and to shut her out from the world of thought.

At the close of the programme a motion picture was shown, depicting the life of a woman in the Philippines. The picture was very interesting, and was well received by the audience.

The law as it now stands requires oleomargarine manufacturers to file with the Secretary of the Treasury their formulae of the ingredients of the product, which their product is manufactured. It is singular that from these statements it does not appear that a single pound of beef fat is used in the manufacture.

One hundred and seventy million pounds of oleo was consumed last year. Yet it is doubtful if there was a man in the House who ever saw any one who ate it and knew it was oleo.

Now, Ladies, Move Up! Henpecked Husband Makes a Pitiful Plea for Consideration.

Portland, Feb. 28.—(To the Editor.)—Please announce to the ladies of the City of Portland that when a laboring man, or a man who looks tired, or in any way at all, enters a street-car, and all the seats are taken, but there is still room for several more, that it is quite proper for a lady to move over and let the gentleman sit. I am sure that if you will only call this matter to the ladies' attention they will gladly be a little more considerate in that regard. It may be that they do not consider it proper.

There is a tendency nowadays to ascribe cases of lost vitality to lack of nerve force and to treat them as such, with tonics, electricity and stimulants, resulting in but the most temporary benefit. At all times in order to gain true and clear views as to the probable influence of the nerves as a factor, I have made many observations and examinations and have supplemented these by long-continued and extended experiments. These experiments have been unbiased by any theory and have not been prejudiced by any ideas or views of my own; and a proper interpretation of the facts carefully elicited and the appearances presented. As a result of these observations and practical experience I have been convinced that the nerves play but a subsidiary role in the production of the disorders. It is very unusual to meet any trouble, in an otherwise strong man, other than a damaged prostate or deep urethral inflammation, particularly in those who are afflicted with long-continued and 100-to-1000-repeated excitement, or the harmful influence exercised by an ill-treated, contracted disorder, and if exhausted nerve force seemed to be present it is only as a concomitant, or perhaps we may say a complication, of chronic prostatic and disappeared with its cure. Still further these facts are verified by purely local treatment, for procedure directed toward repairing the damaged gland are always rewarded by the most brilliant cures. Colorado's best remedy is sold on application.

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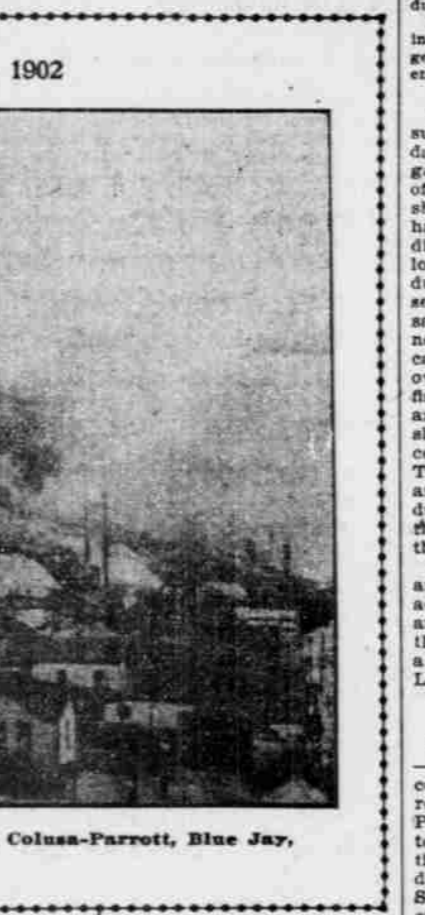
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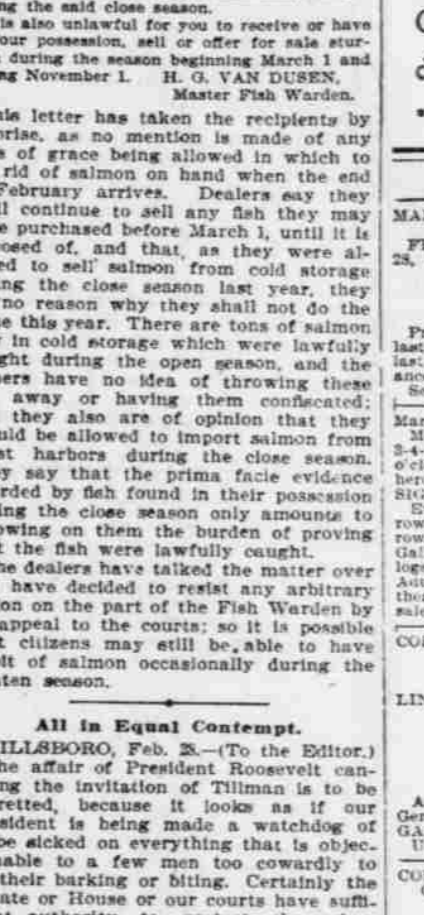
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