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ANOTHER TREATY VIOLATED.

When the American ship George F. Frye was sunk by a German cruiser in January, 1915, the attention of Germany was attracted by the violation of the Prussian-American treaty of 1825.

The free interests and commerce of the subjects of citizens of the treaty remaining neutral with the belligerent powers shall not be interrupted.

On the contrary, in that case, as in full view, the neutral party may not navigate freely to and from the coast of the belligerent parties.

Germany's idea of living up to this agreement is shown by the following announcement which it made on January 21:

On February 1, 1917, within barred zones around Great Britain, France and Italy and in the Eastern Mediterranean as well as in the Adriatic and Aegean seas, all commerce shall be prohibited.

Although Germany thus treated the treaty of 1825 as a scrap of paper, so far as her own obligation to the treaty concerned, she apparently considered it still binding on the United States.

That the American case against Germany is thus much stronger than that of any other neutral nation. The case of other nations which have not established principles of international law.

That of the United States rests not only on those principles, but on express stipulations entered into directly with the United States.

War on alcohol, which has brought about total prohibition in many states, has reached the point in New York, where municipal prohibition is under consideration by the Legislature.

In other states, the bill is opposed because of the great inroads it would make on the revenue.

adopted, it would not last long. New York is doubtless not ripe for state-wide prohibition.

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ON TREASON. The Oregonian is called to the rescue in a controversy raging on Northrup street.

It is quite an old controversy in its essentials, and it was settled, as well as it can be, we think, more than 500 years ago.

Who is right? asks a subscriber, who does not disclose whether he is A or B.

The Jefferson paper, if it has made itself understood, objects to the bonds because the counties must out of county funds prepare the roads to receive the pavement.

It would indeed have been nice if some scheme could have been devised to get out of the money which is needed for good roads.

ONLY DONATIONS WANTED. The \$60,000 road bonds do not need to be sold for the first two years.

AN OPPORTUNITY NOT TO BE MISSED. If Portland desires to build warships, now is the time to act.

The offer of Mr. Damon to give the Government land for fortification of Gray's Harbor is new proof that the patriotism of a man who has worn Uncle Sam's uniform never dies.

Change of "Washington" to "Himey" Street is Offered as Appropriate.

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MANLY IRISHMEN ARE IN VALHALLA But No Albinus Pre-empted, Says Foley to MacMahon.

Problem Without Answer. HOQUIAM, Wash., March 23.—(To the Editor) I wish some friends would give me the correct number of the correct code of this piece of land.

Drop From an Aeroplane. Female passenger (in airplane) some thousands of feet up excitedly—Please, oh, please, won't you go down?

What four is being saved in some countries by mixing a certain percentage of cornmeal with it.

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