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ABOUT RUSSIA AND JAPAN.

From all appearances a struggle
for supremacy in the far East will
commence this week, between Russia
and Japan. For the past five years
it has been manifest that each of
these powers was quietly strengthen-
ing their positions and gathering
fleets to decide the inevitable con-
flict.

The first intimation thinking men
had of the coming struggle was in
1899, when a series of articles ap-
peared without any apparent cause in
the leading papers of this country, in
which it was asserted that Russian
sympathy was with the United States,
and that at all times and under all
circumstances Russia had been our
friend; and to thoroughly inculcate
the theory into the heart of the
American people and to create a sen-
timent in favor of Russia, twenty or
more daily papers were subsidized to
defend Russia's policy in the far East
and to create ill-feeling against Ja-
pan and England; and later, to up-
hold Russia in her wanton seizure of
the Chinese province of Manchuria.

These pro-Russian newspapers have
done their work well, and today are
receiving money to allow the biggest
bully among all the nations of the
earth to trample upon the rights of
Japan. There is not a single prin-
ciple of honor or integrity known in
Russian diplomacy. As a nation it is
the monumental liar of all nations.
As to being a brave nation, it never
was known to battle except where it
had the advantage in numbers and
position and success was absolutely
assured beforehand. So far as brav-
ery is concerned, it is of that kind
which is exemplified by a pack of
wolves attacking an old sentinel bull
on the plains, while another pack sur-
rounded a cow to steal the calf. In
modern history the most disastrous
campaign was that made by Napoleon
against Russia when the French army
retreated in the dead of winter from
Moscow, and the Russians, afraid to
give battle, hung on the French rear
to cut off small bodies of troops, and
butcher them like dogs, or to skewer
the weary, starved, half-frozen, but
still brave men. This is the first pic-
ture of Russian bravery, is the pic-
ture at it exists in the victorious
march as it in the past fifty years has
nearly doubled its territory and tyr-
annized the smaller nations of Central
Asia or extended its bounds to the
boundary of Norway and Sweden in
Europe and aspires to bring the
whole of Europe under one mighty
government.

Russian gold, scattered among the
leading newspapers of the United
States, may succeed in preventing
this country from asserting the just-
ness of Japan's cause; but Russian
gold can never create a hostile feel-
ing to such an extent that Uncle Sam
will consent to join issues with Eng-
land.

If the nations of Europe could put
aside their little petty strifes and
bickerings they would all unite in one
confederation against Russia. After
Turkey has been crushed, Norway
and Sweden Russianized and Germany
or Austria whipped a confederation
will be consummated but not till
then. As the case now stands France
is lined up with Russia; Italy is
courting Russian favor; Spain cannot
take sides so she is neutral. Ger-
many would like to see Russia
whipped, but is afraid to line up with
Japan, England will give Japan all
the moral support possible if not ac-
tual support. The United States loves
courage and manhood and believes in
giving the smallest man a chance and
will never line up with Russia to
pound the life out of the Japanese
people.

Japan in size contains approxi-
mately 146,655 square miles of territory
but that of about one-half is worth-
less for any purpose. The number of
inhabitants are about 43,000,000.
The government is a constitutional,
limited monarchy. As a power she
was unknown until a few years ago
when she whipped the Chinese navy,
and Russia and several European na-
tions then robbed Japan out of the
fruit of her victory. The Japanese
fleet at the present time is equal to
Russia's fleet in China and Japan
water. The Japs can put 500,000
men in the field but they have never
been tried. The Russians can put 2-
500,000 men in the field if necessary.
The Russians cannot be depended up-

on to fight as they are forced into
the ranks and though they are well
drilled yet they are serfs and under
the control of the most despotic
monarchy known on the globe. The
total population of Russia and Rus-
sian possessions, it is estimated, num-
bers about 150,000,000 people, while
the Japan nation is centralized on a
small spot on the globe. The Rus-
sian Empire now governs one-sixth of
all the land on the earth; and like
the horseleech the daughter crying:
"Blood, more blood," so Russia cries
continually, land, more land.

Recently Russia has seized the
Chinese territory of Manchuria, a dis-
trict of country about 500 miles wide
and 800 long; a territory three times
as large as Japan in area. Japan's
population is so thick on the ground
that colonization in another country
is the only possible relief. Corea lies
to the east of Manchuria and Japan
wants to colonize Corea on the same
basis as Russia is going to colonize
Manchuria. This Russia refuses to
sanction and says Japan shall not do
so. This is the whole issue and this
the true statement of facts is what
the hired newspapers of this country
are trying to keep the people from
knowing by bringing in other issues
of a doubtful nature and telling us
what a notable friend Russia was to
the United States when she sunk the
rotten Spanish tubs in Manila Bay
and later the terror stricken sailors
with their ships at Santiago and the
Admiral Schley made the loup which
put him out of the reach of the
Spanish guns and let brave American
commanders win victory for Old
Glory.

VERY QUESTIONABLE METHODS.

The late special session of the Ore-
gon Legislature developed the fact
that the state is cursed by men who
would disgrace the penitentiary to
send them to it. The stealing or
making away with the anti-gambling
bill was a disgrace to the House and
to the Senate and the State at large.
The man or men engaged in the dis-
honest, disreputable transaction ought
to be sentenced to imprisonment for
life, so as to strike terror to other
anarchists. We do not think there is
any law that would fit the case. Had
Brownell been a man worthy of the
office he occupied, he would have
caused at least a thorough investiga-
tion to have been made and not let
any man think that he knew all about
the steal. The Senate itself, when it
knew the bill had been stolen, and
made no investigation, or if it did
only a farce comedy was enacted; and
thus the Senate heaped opprobrium
upon itself. And now comes the re-
port that two votes were checked up
as voting for the game law and the
bill was declared carried, and now af-
ter it has been certified to and passed
by the Governor, it is declared to be
passed illegally because of the wilful
negligence or rascality of officials.

Verily, the penitentiary yawns for its
prey while Oregon makes of herself a
laughing-stock for the United States
at large. Is it any wonder that Ore-
gon is fifty years behind the other
states, when such transactions are
winked or connived at by the leading
politicians and scoundrels of Oregon
and the people themselves do not re-
sent such rascality?

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nell who did the Julius Icarus and
Benedict Arnold act to Scott? Rose-
burg-PLAINDEALER. And also to Cor-
bett and Simon once? Salem. "The
very same" Brownell who
also convinced Bishop Barker once
that he was dying and made a death-
bed confession to the Bishop. He is
the man who expects the people to
trust him—Woolburn Independent.

This is the same Brownell under
whose presidency of the Senate the
anti-gambling bill was lost; and it is
about time if he wants to run for
Congress that he make another con-
fession and obtained absolute abso-
lution from his sins from the Vice
Regent of the god of the Roman
Catholic church, before seven
democrats can trust him. So far
as his flip-jacks are concerned they
are burned to a crisp in the Re-
publican party.

The Radium.

The PLAINDEALER has received No. 1,
vol. 1, of the Radium published at
Wedderburn, Oregon, with the
name of Baron R. D. Hume, of the
Lower Rogue, as editor. The Radium
is a three column, eight page
paper and is taken up with a discus-
sion of the proceedings of R. D. Hume
vs. Jesse Turner et al, in the
Circuit Court for Curry County,
State of Oregon. The Baron is after
Judge Hamilton's scalp and the Radium
as a campaign paper is O. K.

The Railroad Survey.

The railroad surveyors who have been
working on a line from Drain down the
Umpqua valley to Gardiner and Win-
chester have passed Ten mile creek
and will move to McFarlin's place in
Slough in a few days. They are
camped at present on J. H. Hibbard's
place on Ten mile, diving and cooking in
tents, although clerical work and
drawing of plots, maps, etc. is done in Mr.
Hibbard's residence. The party averages
about twenty-five men, headed by
Mr. Cooper, chief engineer and manager
with Mr. Drum, clerk and paymaster.

The work done appears very complete
and accurate though no one claims to
know for whom they are working ex-
cept for a "rich company." The line
will cross Coos Bay below North Bend
and the surveyors expect to continue
south until they meet another party
working their way northward, probably
in the neighborhood of Bandon—Mail.

Prohibition in Texas.

ARREST, TEX., Jan. 1.—Beginning to-
day, Texas virtually takes rank among
the prohibition states of the Union. The
anti-alcohol movement was begun sev-
eral years ago, but it was not until the
last summer that its success became as-
sured. In three months more than 200
counties "went dry" as a result of a
vote of the people. The saloon element
put up a bitter fight, both at the polls
and in the courts, but it was worsted
everywhere with the result that the
Lone Star begins the new year as a te-
totaler.

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extensive, will increase to an appreci-
able extent with the more connections
accommodations the new brick barn
will give. Plans for the proposed struc-
ture are already under way, and the big
improvement will soon be a reality.—
Register.

Register Your Names.

The registration books for voters
for the next two years were opened
by County Clerk Shambrook, this
morning. It is the duty of every Re-
publican in Douglas county to see
that his name is properly enrolled
either at the court house or with the
precinct officers appointed for that
purpose.

We are waiting for some democrat
to come out with an article on tax-
ation showing the great extravagance
of the Republican House and Senate,
backed up by every democrat in the
State Legislature and approved by
Brother George, by the grace of Re-
publican tailsmashers, Governor of
Oregon.

TRIUMPH OF OSTEOPATHY.

Senator Joseph B. Forsaker, of Ohio,
Responsible for a Great Stride
of This Important Branch
of Medical Science.

In gratitude for a marvelous cure ef-
fected through the application of the
Osteopathic treatment to an erstwhile
ailing son, now fully restored to the
pink of perfect health, Senator Joseph
Benson Forsaker, of Ohio, called a dis-
tinguished Osteopathic physician to the
bedside of his daughter, Mrs. Randolph
Matthews, of Cincinnati, whose little
6-year old son began his earthly career a
few days since. The attending Osteopathic
physician was Dr. Orelia Locks and
Dr. Clara Wernicke, of St. Haden Hall,
Avalon, Cincinnati.

This new science of art and healing is
becoming very popular among the best
people. It is recognized as a most im-
portant method of treatment, and is
based wholly upon a thorough knowl-
edge of the structure of the human body.
The art of healing practiced by the
Osteopathic physician is similar to that
of the regular practitioner, consisting
in determining any departure from the
normal condition and in removing all
interference with the course of nature.

Can A Nigger Change Color?

The Philadelphia Record publishes
the remarkable story of the use of X
rays in the university of Pennsylvania
hospital, whereby the black skin of the
negro is made white. It is alleged that
the discovery was made while negroes
were being treated with the rays for
cancer and lupus. Dr. Pancoast is al-
leged to have discovered that in every
instance after the negroes had been
treated for some time with the rays the
skin became perfectly white in every
place that the light touched. As yet no
attempt has been made to try the ef-
fect of the light on the healthy negro skin.
Dr. Beck, an X-ray expert of New York
doubts the truth of the report. He says
that experiments have been tried in
the use of rays to destroy the pigment
and that they met with no success.

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one of A. W. Rolker's pleasing "Zoo"
animal stories, "The Wild-Animal
Savagery and His Patients," and a stirring
account of "Tunneling Out of the Liberty
Prison," by James Wells, one of the
admirers of this daring epic.

Of fiction, there is to suit every body.
Henry Wallace Phillips begins his new
"Red Sanders" series by a rollicking
account of the blossoming out of the
Sander Ranch. There is a tale of a
highwayman in the good old English
times stage coaches, by Eden Phillips,
with the suggestive title of "A Pickaxe,
and a Snail;" a tragic and compelling
story of Manila, "The Failure," by Jas.
Hopper; and a whimsical tale of love
routing mathematics, "The Tree of a
Thousand Leaves," by Alice Brown.

The January McClure cover is to be
remarked. It is by Jessie Wilcox Smith
and one of the most beautiful child
drawings, certainly, ever made.

Something Good.

Next Saturday night "Under Two
Flags" will be presented at the Rose-
burg Opera House by amateur talent,
ably directed by Mr. Wm. Edgar
Graham, lately of the Frawley Company
and under the auspices of the East
ern Star lodge, Roseburg Chapter, No. 8.
Those who have read the novel of
the same title, or have seen the drama-
tization of Under Two Flags know what
a really beautiful drama it is aside from
being one of the unusual strength and
brilliance, and one such as is usually at-
tempted by none save professionals. The
production, however, promises to be far
in advance of the average playhouse
Roseburg theater-goers have the oppor-
tunity of seeing. Special scenery will be
used, and the costumes alone repre-
sents an expenditure of \$700. The
drama will be represented in its entirety
from start to finish, and the handsome
horse in the city will appear with Cigar-
ette in the saddle.

The cast is as follows:
Bertie Cecil, of the guards, afterwards
Louis Victor, Wm. Edgar Graham
Berkeley Cecil, his brother,
Lord Rockingham, Warren McWilliams
Rake, an Irish Knight, E. C. Giddie
Col. Chateaufort, A. Q. Johnson
Baroni, Roy Bellows
Capt. Leroux, Nelson Omondson
Raymond Leroux, Guard, John Ryan
Petit Piccon, Will Van Leuwen
Pierre Maton, George Norman
Ben Davis (a Weicher), Milo Atterbury
Leon Raynon, Tom Whitman
Chatterhouse, Frank Watson
Cigarette, the Friend of the Flag,
Gertrude East
Venetia, Audrey Bridges
Princess Corona, Rockingham's sister
Hopfield, R. G. Marsh
McMullen, R. T. Schmitt
Gilliland, R. E. Pool
McMullen, L. G. Mitchell
Johnson, L. T. Graham
Ferguson, L. E. Steelquist
W. Faulkner, Q. Galloway
Hanan, R. H. Horn
Ragsdale, F. Wentz
Officials—Clyde Faulkner, referee; W.
King, umpire; time of halves, 25 min.;
Bazzell, time-keeper.

A Prisoner in Her Own House.

Mrs. W. H. Layha, of 1001 Agnes Ave.,
Kansas City, Mo., has for several years
been troubled with severe hoarseness
and at times a hard cough, which says,
"Would keep me in doors for days. I
was prescribed for by physicians with
no noticeable results. A friend gave me
part of a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough
Remedy with instructions to closely fol-
low the directions and I wish to state
that after the first day I could notice a
decided change for the better, and at
this time after using it for two weeks,
have no hesitation in saying I realize
that I am entirely cured. This remedy
is for sale by A. C. Marsters & Co.

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by local applications as they cannot
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tachian Tube. When this tube is in-
flamed you have a running sound or
imperfect hearing, and when it is en-
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unless the inflammation can be taken out
and this tube restored to its normal con-
dition, hearing will be destroyed for-
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