## DELAYS AND THEIR CAUSE

## Transport Dix Affords Strikin

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THIRTY HOURS ON THE TRIP

## Win Probably Be Weather Be Bound Because of Loors Passuge Down the River Bound Because of Longry Passuge Down the fiver Yrom Porthand.

The government' transport Dix ar rived down the river yestertaye she viouuly and reached Astoria at 4 yer-
tertay afternoon. having made the trip in the exceptionally sood ume of 30 Houri. Pllot Patteroon, the gold medal Portiand anisgat. Nas
the stibo, and "worked the thes" so hit bot tom. She proceeded on to the There hasbere of the Dix affords a strik-ing instance of the delay occosioned
because of the inland trit made oy mhips. Had the Lrauspor antwe
down :he river yesterday morning of tome tume during the previous sish terday, when the bar was smooth. Her uip down the river delayed her solong
that she did not get down in time to ake advantase of the favorabie weathcondillons yesterday, and the indier would be bad for a spell. If thi
proves to be the case the Dix will be mather bound for some, days, and the delay will be attributed by the of the river, when, as a matter of fact It will be due purely to the greal
length of time required for vessels of larse dratt to make the passage dow from Prortiand on the too of the tues
The Dix has on board a quantly o oats. She goes from Astoria to San Franclec, there to take on 450 head
horses. The cargo is tor the goveri meent and gees to Manila the depth on the bar.

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pllots have had a reeent pipe dream clal anterest at this time, is reproducee herewith:
provement in the ber channel at the
pouth of the Columbia river. mouth of the Columbia river. Bar
pilots were entrely mistaken in alleg ing that the channel had deepepened two
or three feet and that the dredse Chl nook had alr
fectiveness.
"Thastes. June the engineers made thelr
annual survey and found the mintmum depth at low tide to be between 20.and
y2 teet. The announcement of the
 a pipe dream; stlll, they set aboin The Chlook has done litte or noth
ing tor the bar as yet, and probabl| cannot get to work before the latte part of April, owing to the severity of
the weather untll that time. Major Langfitt hopes to put the dredge to good Chinook needs new bollers, the old
can be made to last for this season. What the dreage can accomplish is still a matter of speculation. At most it
benefis can be only temporary. The jetty, however, will bring perm
resulta and upon the jetty most ping men place thelf rellance.

## moner avanalable to e ertend the jetety a cording to plans. The money on har

 whil add lessvould be two and a half milles. L about $b 00$ feet. Should congress
to appropriate money for the jetty this seesion, next years work will cet
tainly be curtalled and perhaps not ing wir be done al 194 , the har amounted to some $\$ 900,000$. hat sum 3100,000 will be expended $\$ 200,000$ will be reserved for con gencles. The rematnder, 3600,000 as it cosse about si70 a foot to bund lengthen the jetty the $\$ 600,000$ "Bullding of the jetty will be $r$
 meat as st the depth found by the tug
the bar pilots deeline to admit that the bar pllots decline to admit that
they have been smoking hop, and stuI
maintati that there is now more water maintann that there is now more water
on the bor then was the case last fall.
One of the pllats said yesterday to an Astorian representative:
"Tou may put it down as certaln that
the Chinook will do as much for, the he Chinook will do as much for the
kar as the jetty has done. If it doesn't, therell be no improvement there. I do
not mean to say the jetty will not help the bar, but I do maintain that it has
not thus far given greater depth. It
seemis to me, after past fallures, the engineers would manifest a disposition
to give the Chinook a square deal." Marine Notes.
The French bark Armen was towed up the river yesterday.
The steamer Charies Nelson arrive The steamer Charies Nelson arrived
yesterday from San Francisco and proThe four-masted schooner Virginia, with 666,000 feet of lumber for San
Francisco, put to sea yesterday. The steamer Alliance arrived down
the river yesterdy and departed for
San Fruncticco. She takes lumber and grain.
The schooner viling arrived Wed-
neesday night. She will lond lumber four schooners looding.
Captaln Farry, of the Thistlebank, reports having spoken, in sif north,
west, he ship wilam the bound for
Sydney. The vessel reported all well. PREPARED FOR LONG WAR. San Francisco, Feb. 18.-will McC . Osborne, collector or customs at
Fusan, Corea, is here on a vacation trip. Mr. Osborne was in the Chinese
customs service for many years prior to the Japanese-Chinese mur, and sine yce at Fusan. Speaking of Japan and
her ability to maintain a long war, str. osborne says she has lald in large
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