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OPENING OF THE FAIR.

The Astorian this morning presents its readers with a full and complete telegraphic account of the opening of the great Lewis and Clark exposition in Portland, a feature that can only be accomplished except by newspapers taking the official Associated Press dispatches. It was certainly the grandest and most imposing event that has ever occurred on the Pacific coast and will bring Oregon into prominence throughout the entire world as no other event in its history could possibly do, from the day Captain Gray, an American sailor, who in 1792 discovered the great Columbia river, sailed up the river exploring it for some distance. Under the law of nations the United States owned all the territory drained by the Columbia river and its tributaries.

This claim was further strengthened by the Lewis and Clark expedition in 1804. They blazed the trail from the Mississippi river across the continent to the Pacific. Following this trail, without encouragement by the government, but rather discouragement, the pioneer with his wife and children, crossed the mountains and took up his residence on the Pacific slope, bringing with him his morals, his religion and his law. This is, in brief, the history upon which the state of Oregon commemorates as the first century mile stone in its history.

It is not a local exposition, but a national one in scope and character, and a world's exposition in the exhibits of the arts and sciences. The president of the United States, Theodore Roosevelt, to whom the people of Oregon are under lasting obligations for his efforts to make the great world's fair possible, and who was represented in Portland by Vice President Charles W. Fairbanks. Our national congress was represented by representatives and senators, and there were representatives from nearly every state in the union, every nation in the world.

Every schoolboy and schoolgirl on the Pacific coast should visit the exposition, as it will afford an opportunity to acquire information upon many matters not taught in the public schools and give the rising generation an idea of the grand resources; the wonderful inventions of the past century and impress upon their minds the grand and glorious possibilities of the future greatness and grandeur of this nation and its people. They will be given an opportunity to study the arts and sciences, the American inven-

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ticultural resources and possibilities
of the great state of Oregon, so that
when they step upon the world's field
of action to uphold and direct our
commonwealth, they will be better
prepared for the great responsibilities
and duties that will be enjoined upon
them. It will be one of the greatest
educational institutions ever conceived
in the mind of man and what will be
seen and displayed there is certain to
make a lasting impression upon the
minds of the boys and girls, and be a
valuable assistance on pursuing their
studies at the public schools.

Even the older people will be sur-
prised at the rapid advance this coun-
try has made and will impress upon
them more thoroughly the duty they
owe their children in educating them
up to the advantages of acquiring an
education that may place them in the
front ranks of manufacturing and in-
dustrial arts that have only begun,
and the evidence of the fact that every
bounty of nature has been placed at
the disposal of mankind for their bene-
fit, requiring only advanced education
to utilize them for the purposes for
which they were intended. One hun-
dred years ago, the people had no idea
of the great possibilities in store for
this nation, and we of today cannot
conceive the great possibilities in store
for future generations.

Oregon is comparatively a young
state, although discovered over 100
years ago. Its progress during the
past century has been slow, but built
upon a solid foundation of enduring
fame and greatness. No other state
possesses so many great natural ad-
vantages, and the Lewis and Clark
fair will be the medium of peopling
the state with the enterprising and
progressive people of the east, a state
abounding in mineral and agricultural
wealth, with beautiful streams and
mountain forests adapted to all the
pursuits of all kinds and conditions of
people, only waiting to be developed.

LET US HAVE PEACE.

In discussing the Japanese victory
the Tacoma Ledger voices the opinion
of the large majority of the people of
his world when it says, the annihilation
or capture of the entire Russian fleet
under the command of Rear Admi-
ral Rojestvensky is now practically
certain. Rear Admiral Nebogotoff and
3000 Russians are prisoners. Thirteen
warships have been known to
have been sunk, six more have been
captured by the Japanese and the re-
maining vessels of the fleet, including
Rojestvensky's flagship, are seeking a
refuge, some of them, no doubt, in a
crippled condition. There is but one
harbor in the orient in which they can
take refuge without being required to
leave within 24 hours or be dismantled
and put out of commission. That is
Vladivostok, but it is doubtful if the
remnant of the magnificent fleet can
escape to that port. Tidings will be
received from time to time of the fate
of the other vessels, and victorious
Japan will undoubtedly press their
advantage to the bitter end. This is
Japan's opportunity to force Russia
to use for peace. The entire civilized
world, barring a small element of ir-
reconcilables in Russia, must recog-
nize now that the Russian cause is
absolutely hopeless and there is no
justification for a continuance of the
struggle.

Russia has been overwhelmingly de-
feated on land and sea. Two fleets
have been sacrificed. Port Arthur has
been lost and an army of half a mil-
lion men has been driven far into the
interior of Harbin. Vladivostok is
the only port in the orient under Rus-
sian control and the Japanese have be-
gun the execution of a campaign which
will result, if continued, in the loss
of that base. The Japanese will cut
Vladivostok off from communication
with Harbin and invest it by land.
They will blockade it by sea as they
did Port Arthur. It might hold out
for a month as did Port Arthur, but
its final occupation by the Japanese
would be as certain as the fact that
Port Arthur surrendered nearly six
months ago. If the czar is sane, he
will save Vladivostok by the only
method now possible, which is to make
peace with Japan and satisfy the vic-
tor's demands in such a way as to re-
tain Vladivostok as the terminal and
Pacific port of the Trans-Siberian
railway.

The czar would be advised by every
friendly power in the world, whose
opinion might be asked for to make
peace. The war should stop in the
interest of commerce and civilization.
If the advice of outsiders be neither
asked or heeded, the czar will find that
sentiment in his own country is so
strongly in favor of a settlement that
he can resist only at the peril of his
dynasty. Indeed it will be surprising
if the humiliation and overwhelming
defeat of Rojestvensky do not revive
the revolution in Russia and precipi-
tate a new internal crisis, graver than
any that has previously arisen. It
may be incumbent upon the czar not
only to admit defeat and seek peace
with Japan at the sacrifice of his in-
terests in Manchuria and upon the
payment of a large war indemnity, but
also to yield to the demand for a con-
stitutional government in Russia as
the price of continuing the Romanoff
dynasty in power.

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When Mammy Met

The Painless Dentist

EVER since we came to New
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"our old mammy has been en-
during tortures with toothache. Time
and time again I've tried to get her
to go down and have the tooth out, but
till last week I never could persuade
her that New York dentists aren't
'night doctors.' You know, down home
the colored people all believe that doc-
tors roam about after dark trying to
catch people to cut up. You can scare
a pickaninny by saying 'Night doctor'
when nothing else will bother him a
bit. Well, at last mammy consented to
go with a daughter of hers to one of
these painless dentists.

"Did it hurt? I asked when she
came home.

"'Lan', no, chile, she said. 'I suttinly
am glad I went to him. He taken
an' hooked them tongs on to my tooth
an' he says:

"'Good thing you didn't go to Dr.
Jones, downstairs. This is the way he
pulls teeth.'

"Then he give a powerful yank at
my jaw, an' I lets out a screech.

"'Unhuh,' he says, 'I reckon you
better be glad you ain't a got Doc
Jones a-workin' on your jaw. An' Doc
Smith ain't no better. This is the way
he pulls teeth.'

"With that he shows me how Doc
Smith would a-done me, an' I lets out
another screech.

"'An' now,' he says, 'I'm a-goin'
to 'monstrate my own method of sub-
traction.'

"'An' he gives that tooth just a little
twist, easy as can be, an' out it comes.
Never hurt a bit. My land, chile, I suttinly
am glad I didn't go to none of
them other doctors.'—New York
Press.

Not a Matter For Gossip.

Four-year-old Dorothy was being put
to bed. She had been very naughty
that day, and when she knelt down to
say her evening prayer her mother
said, "Dorothy, hadn't you better tell
God how naughty you have been?"
Whereupon she replied, "No, mother.
I'm not goin' to tell God." "Why not?"
said her mother. "Because," said Dor-
othy, "I don't want it to get out of
the family."—Boston Herald.

A Precocious Boy.

A boy seven years old was walking
with his little fox terrier. The dog,
running ahead, bit a pedestrian on the
ankle. The man, very indignant, turned
around and said to the boy, "Your dog
just bit me on the ankle."
"Well," said the boy, "that was as
high as he could reach. You wouldn't
expect a little dog like that to bite you
on the neck, would you?"—New York
Globe.

Another Expert.

A little boy was telling a story and
trying to make it more forcible by the
frequent introduction of profanity.

A kindly stranger approached and
said, "Little boy, don't you know that
your swearing is very wrong?"

"No, sir," replied the youth, "it ain't
wrong. I learned it from Tommy Du-
gan, an' his father's a expert."—Cleve-
land Plain Dealer.

Asking For It.



"Don't you know—ah—the biggest
fool—er—usually marries the prettiest
girl? What?"

"Oh, Mr. Softpate, this is so sudden!"

THINGS THEATRICAL.

Miss Etta Pearce has replaced Ma-
rion Stanley in the prima donna role
of "Me, Him and I."

Miss Alice Lannon has been re-en-
gaged by E. S. Willard as his leading
lady for his autumn tour, which begins
in Montreal Oct. 2.

W. H. Windom, the ex-minstrel, who
is now in vaudeville doing a mono-
logue, spent twenty years in the min-
strel business. He is the author of
many song hits.

There was a remarkable display of
enthusiasm in London recently when
Sir Henry Irving reappeared as Thom-
as a Becket. Crowds of first nighters
had waited in line for hours to insure
their admission to the theater.

Nixon & Zimmerman and Charles W.
Allen announced recently that they
would star James Young next season
in a modern comedy by Rida Louise
Johnson. Mr. Young is now appearing
as Prince Florizel in "A Winter's Tale."

HOOP SKIRTS.

Is this country sufficiently aroused to
the impending return of the hoop skirt?
—Boston Herald.

The plan to bring hoop skirts back in-
to vogue should be discouraged! The
car seats are too narrow already.—
Kansas City Star.

If the women begin to wear hoop
skirts again there will be another rea-
son to widen the streets.—Baltimore
Sun.

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ans who desire to witness the evening
exercises "Astoria Day" at the fair,
the evening train of June 10 will leave
Portland at 10:30 p. m. instead of 7:00
p. m.

Saved by Dynamite.

Sometimes a flaming city is saved
by dynamite a space that the fire
can't cross. Sometimes, a cough hangs
on so long, you feel as if nothing but
dynamite would cure it. Z. T. Gray,
of Calhoun, Ga., writes: "My wife had
a very aggravated cough, which kept
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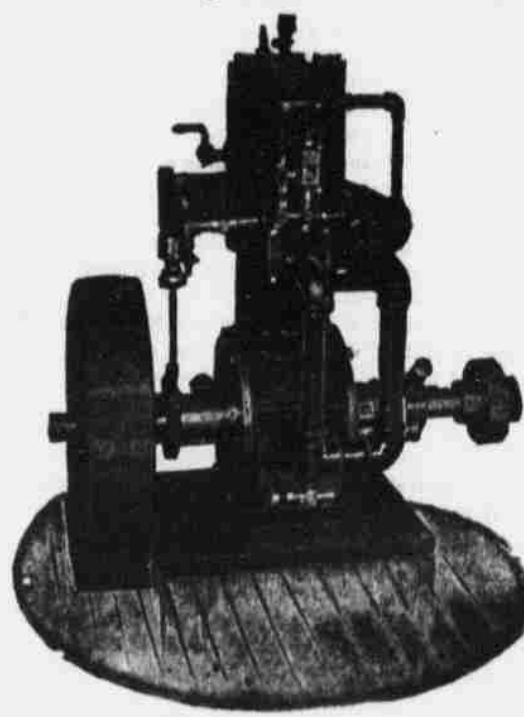
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