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DEWEY'S VICTORY.

The news from Dewey is glorious. It may be barbarous to exult over the death and destruction which have visited the enemy, but such feeling belongs to war and it is war which is occupying our minds these days. The long expected battle near the Philippine Islands has resulted as every American believed it would and a different outcome would have caused as great a shock to the nerves of the nation as did the defeat of the Union troops at the first battle of Bull Run, a shock from which it took several years for the North to recover. All the details of Dewey's fight have not reached us but enough is known to warrant the statement that the Americans have achieved a great victory. Three of the Spanish ships are destroyed and it must follow that many Spaniards have gone to where Captain Evans says Spanish should be exclusively spoken.

The result of this battle is far reaching than the number of ships destroyed or men slain. Its effect cannot be otherwise than to reveal the utter weakness of Spain and the total inability of her navy to compete with that of the United States. It would not be surprising if Dewey's fight would bring about the close of the war. This is by no means certain but it is possible. The other nations have now a pretext of telling Spain her cause is hopeless and the surrender of Cuba would be her cheapest and wisest plan. In the meantime all honor to the war officers and gallant seamen of the Asiatic squadron.

The Republican campaign opens today when T. T. Gear speaks at Toledo. From now till June 6th the contest between sound money and fiat theories will be fought. Just why the advocates of free silver should have the temerity to longer continue a hopeless struggle is hard to understand unless it be under the explanation that this free silver talk is but a ruse to gain the offices. All the dire calamities which the silver men predicted would happen after McKinley's election have turned out to be blessings and the country is rapidly regaining the prosperity which wise legislation always insures.

Governor Lord has seen fit to ignore Eastern Oregon entirely in his distribution of the offices for the new regiment which is going forth to face the Spaniards. There are many worthy men east of the mountains from whom a choice could be made for a regimental position, which act in itself would be an encouragement for the militia in the future. As it is Eastern Oregon has been singularly overlooked and neglected.

Soon the wool of 1898 will begin pouring into The Dalles in immense quantities. What a fine thing it would be if we had a woolen factory in which the fleecy product could be transformed into finished goods! Think of the labor which would be employed and the constant stream of wealth which would pour into our midst!

F. X. Schoonmaker of New Jersey will make campaign speeches in Oregon this year. He will be pleasantly remembered as a man who did a great deal of effective work in the campaign of 1896. A very different

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