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THE LOUISIANA PURCHASE.

Curator Ferrill, of the Colorado Historical and Natural History society has revived the old question whether the Oregon country was included in the Louisiana purchase of 1803.

Binger Hermann, commissioner of the general land office, himself an Oregonian, after careful historical research, has reached the belief that Oregon was not in that purchase, and has directed the publication of a corrected official map excluding it from the Louisiana tract. Curator Ferrill takes the opposing view, and Johnson's Encyclopedia, in its article on Louisiana, asserts that the purchase, which Jefferson made from Napoleon for \$15,000,000, included "nearly all of the present states of Louisiana, Arkansas, Missouri, Iowa, Minnesota, Dakota, Nebraska, most of Kansas and the Indian territory, part of Colorado, most of Wyoming, and the whole of Montana, Idaho, Oregon and Washington."

Nevertheless the weight of history is against Mr. Ferrill and with Commissioner Hermann. The boundaries of the Louisiana purchase, as set forth in the treaty with France, were vague and indefinite. When the treaty was under consideration, the American minister directed Napoleon's attention to this fact, and Napoleon drily suggested that it was all the better, then, for the United States, a friendly hint which our minister promptly accepted.

The United States acquired Oregon through a combination of widely remote influences and claims, and the Louisiana purchase was one of the weakest pegs upon which we hung our claim. If we had been limited to that claim, we should have made a sorry show in the long controversy with Great Britain. We should have lost Oregon.

We acquired the northwest coast through discovery and occupation. In point of original discovery no other nation had so strong a claim to the Oregon country as Spain. Her navigators were the first to sight its misty shores. We acquired Spain's rights through the treaty of 1819, by which all territory north of 42 degrees north latitude was expressly declared to belong to us.

Meanwhile the United States had driven a strong discovery peg of its own. Spanish, Russian and British navigators had done little beyond coasting along the shores, of the great unknown land. In 1892 Captain Robert Gray sailed the Columbia across the bar of the great stream which now bears the name of his adventurous little ship, being the first to demonstrate the existence of the river. In the long controversy with England, the United States laid great stress on this undisputed fact.

Importance was also attached to the brilliant explorations of Lewis and Clarke, who commanded the government expedition sent overland in 1804 by President Jefferson. They ascended the Missouri river, crossed over the Rocky mountains, and followed the wild passes and wider rivers to the sea.

Here were the links of discovery and exploration. To them was added the stronger link of occupation—first by the Astor Fur Company, with its posts at the mouth of the Columbia, on the Okanogan, and in the Spokane country. Later came an influx of American trappers and mountain men, then the missionaries of the

Methodist church and the American board, and then, through the '40s, a growing wave of immigration which swept down through the Willamette country and up into the fertile valleys of the Puget Sound region.—Spokesman-Review.

THE GERMAN SPECIALIST

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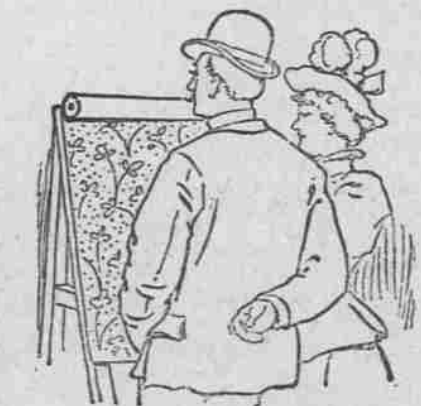
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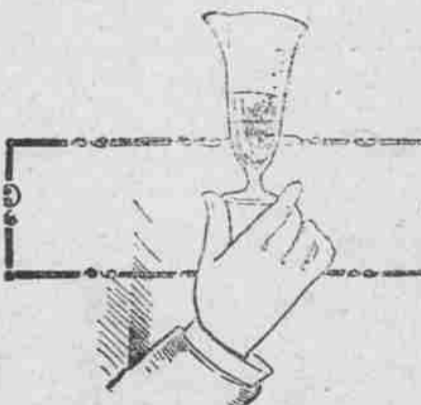
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