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community. We cannot say as to his qualifications in an executive way for mayor, but we do know he is a man of honor and integrity.

The wreck of the steamer South Portland, and the loss of 18 lives on the Cape Blanco reefs, brings an unusual disaster for Oregon, to our very doors. Compared to the Atlantic coast, the shipping of the Pacific coast has been most fortunate.

The spectacle of the New York police removing Mrs. Nation from the Dowie meetings for "disturbing the peace," is unbelievable. Why New York City would wish to separate these two egotists and spoil two houses in the city at the same time, is beyond understanding.

Judging from dispatches to Portland papers, the entire time of the Oregon delegation to congress is taken up in quibbling over appointees for federal offices in this state.

No wonder the wood trust advises the people to burn coal. There is more profit in \$8 coal than there is in \$7 wood. It reminds one of the remark made by a French empress, when told that the poor had no bread to eat, "Bless their souls," said she, "why don't they eat cake?"

The opinion of Charles Francis Adams on the subject of street car ownership was elicited by R. T. Snedeker, a Kansas City municipal ownership advocate, who had asked his opinion on the subject.

The fact is, when it comes to handling private business any and every government is, in my opinion, utterly incompetent. Look at our school system. It is one mass of jobbery from beginning to end.

The telephone girl is progressive. For years and years in repeating a number which had a zero included, she would always say it "ought."

But the world moves. The "naught" is commencing to be realized in the most exclusive telephone circles. It could not be expected that the telephone girl would surrender all at once.

undefiled. Optimists can now see dawning that glad day when the telephone girl will say "naught" right out loud.

THE LOST GALLEON.

Her decks are drowned in sea-wrack, her guns are sunk in sand, Where she lies in the still water, hard by the Irish strand;

Broad o'er the beam they built her, that they might load her deep, They sowed a goodly harvest for the fierce salt seas to reap.

God rest their souls where they lie low, where she swirled down of yore With chanting priest and shrieking slave a stone's throw from the shore!

Far o'er the gray-green waters goes sound of gull and gale; White caps are on the breakers and but she lies lost and mouldered, with the sun on a patched sail;

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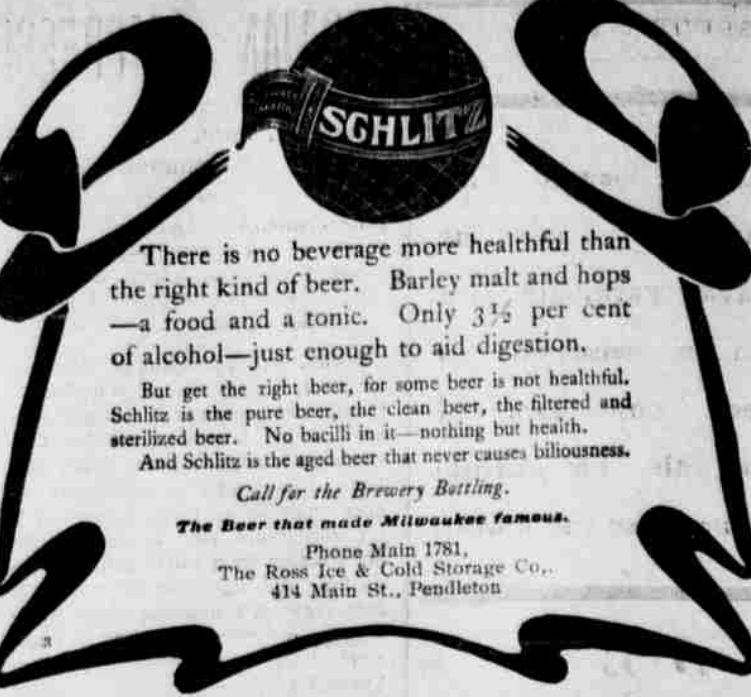
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