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OREGON PACIFIC TIME TABLE

Table with columns for Arrives and Departs, listing times for various routes like Astoria, Seaside, and Clifton.

AMERICAN SHIPPING

The present situation of the United States, in the matter of naval structures, is brought to prominent view by the little brush that is being had with Chile. Our exposed condition without the means of making any practical defense, should that little nation choose to train its guns upon us is painfully apparent.

The Chronicle in summing up the causes of this condition says: For ten long years, during which period we should have been putting our navy into a condition of effectiveness, we did simply nothing because a succession of Democratic houses of representatives would not vote money for building a navy lest it should be expended under the direction of a republican administration, and now, when we need a navy, the people must suffer for this painful action.

In order to assemble a squadron at Valparaiso which shall impress Chile with the folly of blustering and talking big to the United States the globe must be scoured to collect enough scattered vessels to make a showing, and even then every American seaport must be left uncovered. Suppose that Chile to assume the offensive and make a dash for this coast, what means have we or could we get on short notice for the defense of San Francisco? A Chilean cruiser armed with a single gun could steam into that port and levy tribute on it and we could do nothing.

On this subject of American shipping, both merchant, marine and war vessels, in a Forum article Charles H. Crump says that commerce has its "strategy" no less than war. In war, strategy depends on lines of operation and communication. At this time we possess neither, for either commerce or war. Our great rival controls both in every sense of the word. This pitiable condition of the ocean is emphasized by the contrast of our unrivaled power, resource, and enterprise within our own borders. It seems indeed the strangest anomaly of modern civilization, that the most enlightened, most ambitious, most energetic, most productive, and internally most powerful, nation of the globe should be externally among the weakest, most helpless, and least respected.

The solid remedy for this situation is ships with seamen to handle them, whether for peace or for war; whether to carry our enormous exports, and bring our immense imports, and receive therefor the tremendous tolls which now flow into the foreign coffers, or to vindicate the majesty and power of our flag abroad in the world to a degree befitting our status in the community of nations. There is no lack of raw material, no lack of skill to fashion it into the instruments of commerce. We have the iron and the steel; we have the men to work them into the finished forms of stately ships; we have the money to promote the most colossal of enterprises by sea. All we need is assurance of a steady national policy of liberal and enlightened encouragement, based upon a patriotic common consent, and elevated above the turmoil of politics, or the squabbles of parties. One decade of such a policy would make us second only to Great Britain on the high seas, either for commerce or for defense; and two decades of it would bring us fairly into the twentieth century as the master maritime power of the globe.

THE ELECTIONS

The elections in the East have resulted in a way that leaves no room for any great demonstration by either political party. The democrats elect Flower in New York by about 40,000. Boies in Iowa by about 6000 and Russell in Massachusetts by about 4000. The republicans elect McKinley in Ohio by about 20,000 and secure the Ohio legislature. The legislature in New York, Iowa and Massachusetts are in

doubt, Pennsylvania is republican by 50,000, as is also Colorado, and South Dakota, while New Jersey is democratic. The elections as a whole outside of Ohio are about a stand off, and leave the presidential contest next year to be stubbornly fought. The election of McKinley in Ohio shows that the spirit of American protection will be vigorously defended at the polls. It is the chief feature of the elections, as the people by sustaining the author of the McKinley bill have recorded their continued belief in the doctrine of protection, the issue on which the next presidential campaign will be waged.

The periodical sea serpent comes to light semi-occasionally and has a brief period of fame. Just at present the latest sea serpent story comes from Australia. The captain of a coasting steamer reports seeing a sea monster seventy feet long, with a body like that of a whale. The captain would have enjoyed examining it scientifically, but for prudential reasons he let the monster alone. So this mystery of the sea still remains unexplained and the skeptical will persist in ascribing it to heavy rations of grog.

Peculiarities of the Law. Salem Statesman: In Oregon, upon the death of a county clerk that office becomes immediately vacant, there being no one with authority to file a paper in a suit, issue a marriage license or transact any business of the office that requires a seal. All business to which a seal is not attached can, however, be done by the county judge. Immediately upon the death of Capt. Babcock, the county commissioners were summoned by telegraph and there will be a meeting of the county court to-day for the purpose of making an appointment to fill the vacancy. D. C. Sherman, assistant under Mr. Babcock, is prominently mentioned for the appointment. There are said to be several candidates.

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