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ENGLAND'S WAR POWER.

By her insular position England has enjoyed immunity from foreign invasion ever since the successful adventure of the Normans eight hundred and forty years ago; for the incursion of William of Orange was rather invited than repelled by the majority of Englishmen, and therefore was not to be treated as a foreign invasion. With probably the best army ever mustered in Europe, Bonaparte drew back from his design to cross the channel in 1803 because the French fleet was not a reliable support for his transports as against the naval power England had at hand for the struggle. But since the beginning of the era of steam and armored ships the insular security of England has been much impaired, and if an army as numerous and complete in all its equipments as that of Napoleon in 1803 should now attempt to invade England, supported by an armored fleet nearly equal to her own, the chances of a successful landing would be very great. Once landed, the conquest of the country might be as easy and as rapid as that of the Normans. On the 21st of last June General Wolsey testified before a joint committee of the two houses of parliament on the subject of the proposed channel tunnel, which he condemns on purely defensive military ground. In the course of his testimony he said the construction of the tunnel would add to existing dangers of invasion others which could not be overstated. And he added that even now "the invasion of England by an army from France is a feasible operation, and will continue to be so until the country is put in a proper state of defense." This startled the committee, and the General was asked to explain what he meant by a "proper state of defense." He replied that "if all the men in the service should be called out we would have half a million men with muskets, but I cannot call them soldiers." There are not indeed as many as 60,000 real soldiers in the United Kingdom, and most of them are necessarily kept in Ireland. And should France or any other strong military and naval power undertake the invasion of the United Kingdom, Ireland, as the weakest point, would be first assailed, and England necessarily stripped of the handful of regulars she kept there. By comparison with the great military nations of the continent, England has but the shadow or skeleton of an army. She has a considerable armed militia, but the late war between France and Germany showed clearly that an armed militia is not reliable against a real army. The Red Prince, with 70,000 Germans, was an overmatch for Chanzy, the ablest of all the French Generals, with double the number of raw conscripts. "I believe," said General Wolsey, "that if a foreign power were to get possession of a channel tunnel it would be impossible for us to ever raise our heads again as an independent power." And when the possibility of a counter invasion of the foreign power by England was hinted at, said Wolsey: "As to our invading France with our present army, it would be the act of a madman."

These are the arguments which defeated the channel tunnel. They may be, as John Bright thinks they are, unsound and trifling, but they are military and go to the root of England's present weakness as a military and naval power by contrast with the great powers of the continent. If, so General Wolsey says, her navy does not protect her even now against invasion from France, the plain inference is that the French navy is superior to the British, and this opinion has recently strengthened both here and in England.—*Chronicle.*

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Before Jay Gould was 21 years of age it seems he had evolved in his own mind that great plan of forming construction companies by means of which those who have conceived great enterprises have been able to realize large profits without expending any considerable amount of their own money, and which has given us a brood of railroad millionaires whose individual wealth would, had it been possessed in ancient times, have eliminated Croesus from history as a type of abnormal wealth, in modern romance have trebled the paltry estimate of \$29,000,000 given as the wealth of Monte Christo, and later has checked any tendency to specify any single Rothschild as the richest man in the world. Not being a railroad man at that time, he conceived the idea of constructing the largest tannery on earth, and although poorer than a church mouse, he succeeded in carrying out his scheme. He broached it to Colonel Zadoc Pratt of Prattville, N. Y., then the John Jacob Astor of Ulster county, and susceptible to flattery, saying:

"Colonel, you are a statesman, farmer, tanner and sheep grower. You ought to make yourself more famous still by building the largest tannery in the world."

"By George! I would," said the Colonel, "if I knew where I could get plenty of bark." "This was enough for Jay Gould. He went to what is now known as Gouldsborough, a great bark region, and seduced the natives, whom he impressed with the advantages to them of having the biggest tannery in the world in their midst, to such an extent that they readily made contracts to supply sufficient bark at 25 cents a cord for twenty-five years. Although the name of Colonel Pratt was used in securing these contracts, they were all taken out in his own name, and the constructing price was so favorable to him as to make it virtually a popular subscription to and guaranty of the undertaking.

Colonel Pratt was astonished at the success of the youngster and told him to go ahead and he would furnish the money, and the firm of Pratt & Gould was formed, which soon did so large a business that banking facilities became necessary and Gould organized a wild-cat bank at Gouldsborough (named after its great patron), in which he induced all his relations to take stock, as he was under age, and appoint him their proxy. Gould afterwards withdrew \$25,000 of the bank's money and deposited it with Messrs. Leupp & Lee in New York, where it later did him some good. All this time Colonel Pratt was putting money into the business, getting experience all the time, but no cash. He got scared and sent a trusty friend to Gouldsborough to investigate, who reported, "You had better get out of there or Gould will break you up." He met Gould in New York and offered to sell out to him for \$40,000 or pay him \$10,000 to quit the business. Greatly to his surprise Gould took up the former proposition and bought out the tannery.

Crop prospects east and west of the mountains are more cheerful than even a week ago. We have seen a letter from Whitman county to a business firm here stating that quality and yield are better than for 1882, and improve on what was anticipated a short time since. Moderately cool weather enables grain to ripen well everywhere. Here in the Willamette valley, as well as up the Columbia river, Western Oregon will show a good crop south of this valley, and in many parts of this valley crops are really good. Mr. Herren of Salem mills puts the valley crop at three fourths of a full yield.—*Willamette Farmer.*

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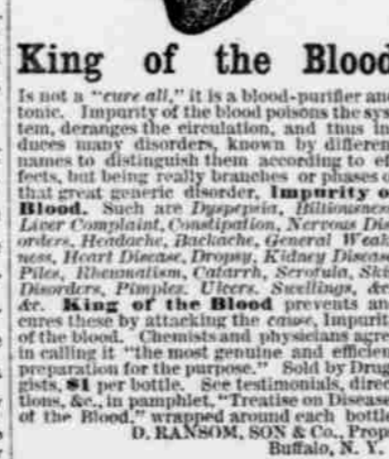
From Washington comes a portion of Capt. Powell's report concerning river and bar improvement. The object of these improvements is to secure to navigation a ship channel twenty feet deep at low water. The appropriation for the work to date has been \$505,265, of which \$100,000 was appropriated by the Act of 1883. The amount available on July 1, 1883, was \$12,168, and the amount required for the completion of the work is estimated at \$183,630. For the improvement at the mouth of the Columbia river, Or., and Washington Territory, the plan consists in building a jetty from the South Cape to the entrance on the spit. There is attached a detailed hydrographic survey of the mouth, including the harbor now being made. The Act of 1882 appropriated \$7,500 for the work, of which \$2,965 remains unexpended. The estimated cost of the completion of the work is \$500,000.

A man leaped from a railway car while in motion, only once, but it was a fatal leap. A youth who was unable to swim ventured out into the water beyond his depth, only once, and he never came back alive. A clerk who had made a good record and gained the confidence of his employers tried the experiment of taking and using a little money for an emergency, intending to restore it again, but the act was discovered and it struck dead his reputation. A hot-tempered man gave way, only once, to a furious impulse, but in that one tempest of passion he struck a cruel blow that left its deep marks for a lifetime. Only once did a young girl tamper with a seducer, but it blasted her life for time and eternity. Beware of risking the "only once." One shot is enough to kill. One word is enough to embitter a lifetime. One rash act may darken the sky of hope forever.



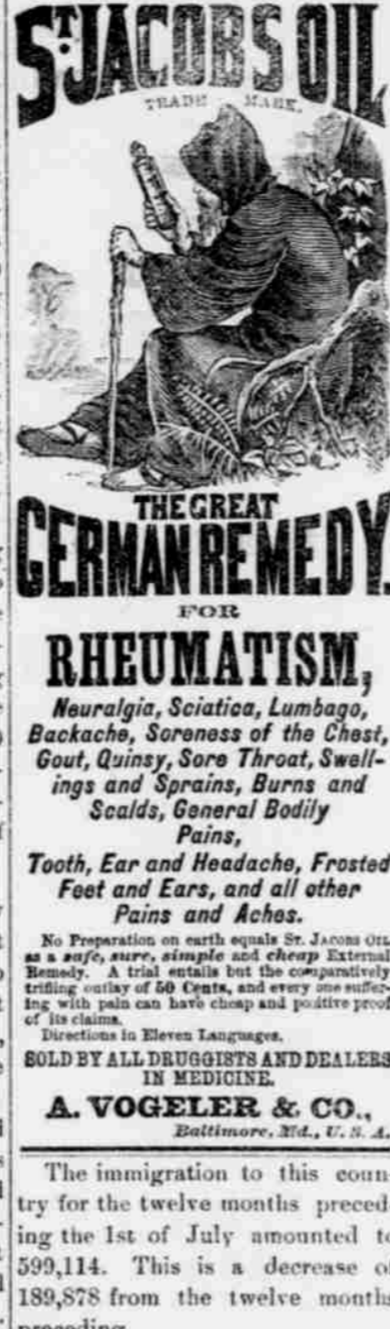
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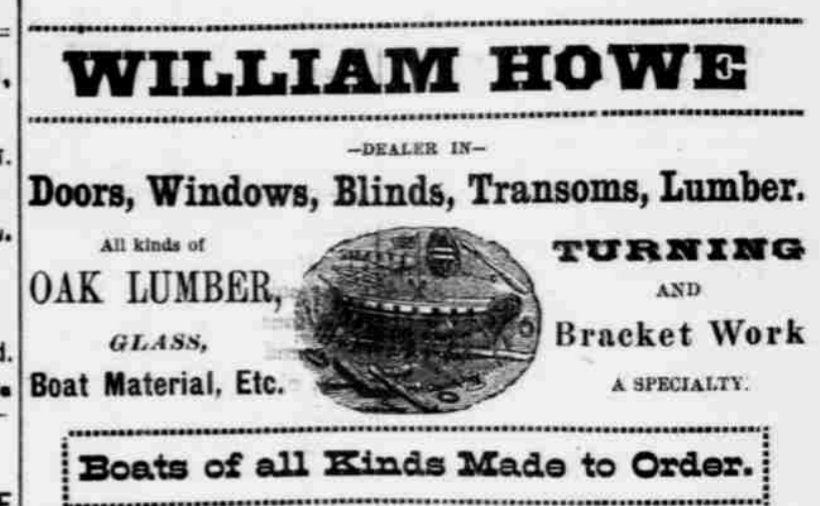
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