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THE WAR CLOUD. Its Gloomy Folds Beaming Darker.

LONDON, April 13, 8 P. M.—Russia is still engaged in seeking explanations of the causes leading to the battle of Penjdeh.

A GOOD BALE. NEW YORK, April 13, 7 P. M.—The English government to-day purchased here the steamship America.

ABOUT THE SAME. Gen. Grant's condition is about the same. He had a pleasant rest this afternoon and partook of some nourishment.

THE TELEPHONE SERVICE. The following communication has been received under date of March 25th:

TO ONE OF OURS: We have received from Dr. Tuttle your petition for a reduction of our rates.

THE LADIES' GUILD. The Ladies' Guild of Grace church are preparing for an apron fair and a cup and saucer party, to be given on Thursday evening, April 18th, in Liberty Hall.

COMPLIMENTARY INVITATIONS. Complimentary invitations are out for the celebration of the sixty-sixth anniversary of Old Fellowship at the Mechanics' pavilion in Portland, Saturday evening the 25th instant.

THE PREVAILING DROUGHT. The prevailing drought was broken up Sunday morning by heavy showers from the south which were most welcome.

THE NEWSPAPERS THROUGHOUT THE STATE speak in the most complimentary terms of the coming tournament in this city.

BISHOP MORRIS and attendant clergy will arrive tomorrow and on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday will hold a missionary convocation at Grace church.

A PARTY OF thirty economical ladies and gentlemen of Seattle have chartered an emigrant sleeping car on the Northern Pacific.

ARTHUR P. PECK, manager of the Wheeler & Wilson manufacturing company, died in Portland last Sunday.

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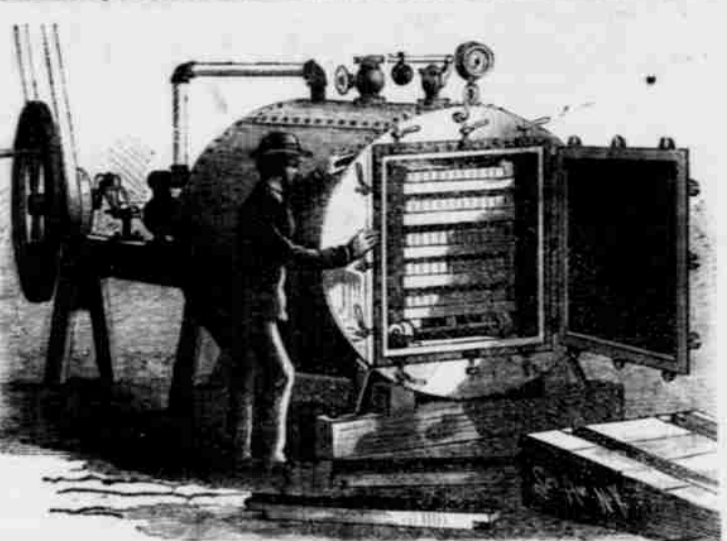
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HUTCHINGS' PATENT PROCESS FOR TESTING SEALED CANS.

THE OLD AND THE NEW. TWO WAYS OF DOING WORK—WHICH IS THE BEST? A Few Points of Interest For the Careful Perusal of Cannermen in General.

Having been employed in the canning business for about nine seasons, on the Columbia river, I beg leave to give a little of my experience in regard to the testing of cans in which branch of the business the greater part of my work has been.

In testing the cans in this way we will not trust this very important part of the work to any but an expert in the business. We must know that this man has had plenty of experience in testing, and that his previous work has shown for itself that he is trustworthy before we dare to trust to him.

Now we know that a man in testing in this way, if he is not very careful with his work, will pass a great many of those fine leaks as first class goods, and then the result will be a reclamation of so many blown tins.

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Test Your Baking Powder To-Day!

Brands advertised are absolutely pure. CONTAIN AMMONIA.



DOES NOT CONTAIN AMMONIA. A healthful and NEVER BLENDED.

THE TEST: Place a can top down on a hot stove until heated, then remove the cover and smell.



THE BEST DRY YEAST IN THE WORLD. BREAD RAISED BY THIS YEAST IS LIGHT, WHITE AND WHOLESALE LIKE OUR GRANDMOTHER'S DELICIOUS BREAD.

CROCCERS! SELL THEM. Price Baking Powder Co., Chicago, Ill.

For a neat fitting Boot. For further particulars see Scientific American of April 4th, 1885.

How He Got a Position. I applied for a position in a banking house in Wa. three or four months ago.

THE CREAM OF IT. Now the weather's growing warmer. There is not a single charmer.

Now, having given a pretty correct account of the old and quite imperfect and expensive way of testing cans for leaks.

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Spring and Summer OPENING!

We will make a grand display of New and Fashionable Goods on

Thursday, April 16th, And following Day.

Inspection Invited. C. H. COOPER'S,

The Leading Dry Goods and Clothing House OF ASTORIA.

The New York Novelty Store

The Leading Stationers and News Dealers of Astoria.

We defy any and all competition. Call, examine our goods and be convinced.

PARKER HOUSE Shaving and Bathing Saloon. Astoria Bakery AND Columbia Candy Factory.

CITY BOOK STORE

Fine Stationery, Blank Books, School Books, Music Books.

SHEET MUSIC AND MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.

GRIFFIN & REED.

REMOVAL!!

I have removed my entire stock into the new store formerly occupied by R. Dixon.

D. A. MCINTOSH.