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ALEXANDER THE GREAT.

Conqueror of the Earth, Conquered by Drink.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 29.—The sarcophagus containing the body of Alexander the Great has been discovered at Saïda.

"Imperial Caesar, dead and turned to clay," was supposed to have left, in Shakespeare's time, enough of his poor mortal tenement to "stop a hole, to keep the wind away," but in Alexander's sarcophagus, if this has indeed been discovered, the explorers will probably find, after a lapse of over 2200 years, as little of the ashes of poor mortality as they would discover in the unknown grave of Moses, could that also be found. It is said of Alexander that his body was deposited in a golden coffin at Alexandria by Ptolemæus, and over it was raised a splendid mausoleum, and divine honors were paid to him, not only in Egypt, but in other countries. If the sarcophagus which the above quoted dispatch says has been found at Saïda contain the gold coffin, that circumstance will tend to confirm the reality of the supposed discovery. If the stone sepulchre that has now been found should be really proved to have contained the body of the old world conqueror it would only be a new and eloquent sermon to the people of to day on the ephemeral and unreal character of any phase or story of earthly "greatness" that rests upon military conquests and military glory. Alexander conquered all the countries then known even to India; he was the world conqueror who "sighed for more worlds to conquer." He established Greek kingdoms throughout Asia, some of which in India outlasted him for centuries; he taught Europe the road to India; he selected the site and founded the city of Alexandria, the Egyptian metropolis which was to be made the great depot of the exchanges of the ancient east and west, a selection which time and the real fortunes of the city have shown to have been sagacious. He had plans, perhaps not wholly impracticable, for the union of Europe and Asia; and encouraged art, science and the literature of that time. His seems to have been an impulsive and not unkind or ungenerous nature; but he showed himself capable of atrocious acts, like the burning of Persepolis, the cruelties to conquered Tyre; and he was a vain, self-seeking and self-indulgent man. That he should have changed the current of human history in his brief career of twelve years and have conquered the world before he was thirty, and died at thirty-two, would be enough to stamp him as an extraordinary man. As a military leader he possessed, undoubtedly, a marvellous power of combination, of shaping means to circumstances, of dealing with the necessities of the moment, in which his only peers in any age of the world, were Hannibal or Napoleon. That he was unable to bear his great success, and sunk into debauchery and drunken carousals, like the prolonged "drunk" that finally carried him off at Babylon, was in a sense due to the age in which he lived. That his coffin should be discovered now, at the close of the nineteenth century of an era, the dawn of which he never lived to see, or to imagine, is one of the strange occurrences which seem to connect the present times directly with antiquity—while the dusty emptiness of the coffin will tell its own story of the vanity of human greatness, which all ends in dust—

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PACIFIC COUNTY ITEMS.

The Aberdeen Packing Company's steamer Eureka has been taken around to Ilwaco from Bay Center.

P. J. McGowan is having considerable dyking done on his North River ranch. He will dyke in about 40 acres.

Work upon the Half Moon bridge on the upper Willapa will commence about the 10th of April by Jas. M. Brown the contractor.

Now that the railroad is assured it would be an excellent idea for those living at the head of the bay to stir in the matter of organizing a creamery.

The Sunshine mill company have purchased this week a mill site belonging to Wm. Holland. It is known as the Edward's place and is about three miles up the Nasel above the mill.

John H. Drissler was married to Miss Ida Kling at East Portland last Sunday March 25th, the Rev. Mr. Sellwood officiating. Mr. Drissler arrived here Tuesday evening with his fair bride on their way to Willapa city, his home.

The enterprising people of North Cove are moving on the matter of building a wharf. So far without special effort they have secured \$500 of the \$1,200 necessary to build the structure.

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It is learned that there is a fewer number of logging camps on the Willapa than at first contemplated, owing in a measure to a falling off demand for lumber. The consumption of lumber is as great as heretofore, but buyers are holding back to see the result of the tariff bill now in congress, as with lumber on the free list, it is anticipated that it can be had for a lower figure.—*Journal*.

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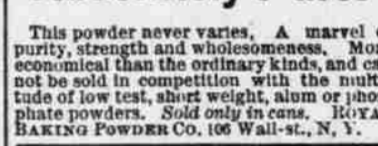
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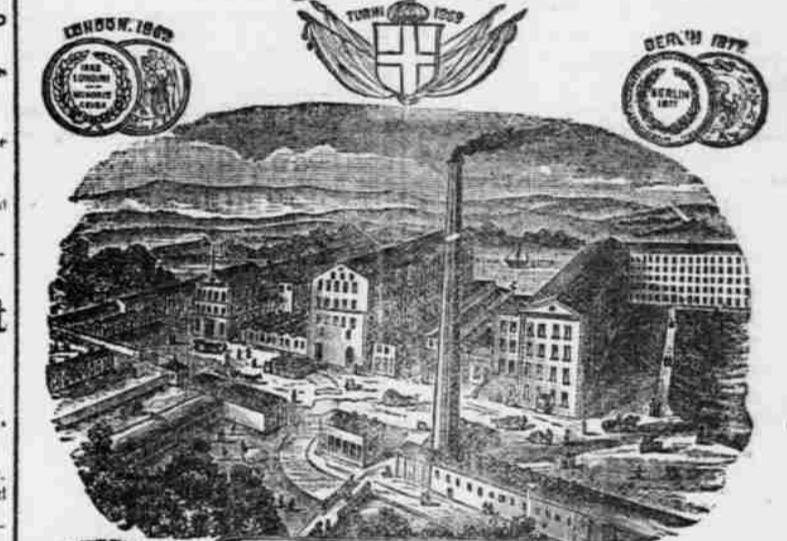
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