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What has become of the Young's river bridge to connect with the Lewis and Clarke road?

The procession of deep sea vessels sailing into this port yesterday was a convincing argument as to the accessibility and safety of the port of Astoria.

Comment made yesterday on the brilliant display Tuesday night by Astorians ratifying McKinley's election, showed that our Portland friends fully appreciated the support Multnomah received from Clatsop county.

That Uncle Sam's officials appreciate the importance of the Columbia river harbor is shown by the fact that Gen. Miles, commander of the United States army, has included in his estimates the expending of \$564,325 for coast defenses at the mouth of the Columbia.

It cannot be that Astorians are going to drop the question of a central market for the benefit of the farmers. No other one thing can so cement the relations between city and country as a central market.

OUR OCEAN TRADE. It is the common impression that the decline of our American merchant marine dates from the time of the Rebellion, when the Alabama and other Confederate cruisers captured and destroyed numerous vessels, with their cargoes, forced the owners of many others to seek a foreign register, and so increased the risk of shipment in vessels not transferred to a foreign flag, and the cost of insurance, that the ocean carrying trade, in which we once led the world, was rapidly absorbed by other nations, and our own share therein reduced to comparatively insignificant proportions.

In point of fact, however, as shown by Seaboard, a journal devoted to American shipping interests, the decline in our ocean commerce began at a much earlier date. As shown by that paper:

For thirty-six years after the act prohibiting the registry of foreign built ships was passed American ships carried 90 per cent of our foreign commerce, because the discriminating duties act, which gave protection to American ships, was in force all that time.

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MANLY VIGOR. ONCE MORE in harmony with the world, 2000 completely cured men are singing happy praises for the greatest, grandest and most successful cure for neural weakness and lost vigor known to medical science. An account of this wonderful discovery, in book form, with references and proofs, will be sent to suffering men (sealed) free. Full many vigor permanently restored. Failure impossible. ERIE MEDICAL CO., BUFFALO, N. Y.

that the former greatness of our merchant marine has gradually become little more than a memory. In the present drooping and congested state of our inland industries our country needs more than ever a reopening of our people of the ocean field. Free trade having practically shut us out of that field, the Republican platform proposes, by a system of discriminating duties in favor of American bottoms, to attempt its restoration. This restoration, though overshadowed by the silver question, was one of the issues of the recent campaign. It is a matter of vital importance, not only to our seaboard interests, but to the whole land. The merchant marine must be depended upon to supply sailors to our cruisers in case of war. The proportion of foreigners in our navy is far too large. The money now paid to foreign carriers counts up to hundreds of millions of dollars, which we need to retain at home, and which would give employment to thousands of our own people.

A STRIKING OBJECT LESSON.

For a month or more before the election there were withdrawals of gold from the sub-treasuries for the purpose of hoarding. On November 24 the sub-treasury in New York paid out gold for greenbacks to the amount of \$1,250,000, most of the withdrawals being for small sums. This showed the anxiety and apprehension of the people who knew that gold would go to a premium if the sound money cause were defeated and who were therefore desirous of possessing themselves of as much of the yellow metal as they could in exchange for legal tender notes.

Now the situation is reversed, and the people who withdrew gold are anxious to return it for notes. They prefer the latter as being more convenient and knowing that they will continue to be as good as gold in their purchasing power and for the purposes of domestic business, they are so eager to get the paper money that the sub-treasury was compelled to put a restriction on the demand, lest it should be suddenly drained of small bills. Not only this, but the banks are beginning to pay out gold when asked for it and there is no reason why this should not very soon become general, as it probably will.

We commend this to the sober consideration of the free silver advocates and ask them whether it is not perfectly plain that the success of that cause would have depleted the treasury of gold, driven that money into hiding, thereby causing a great contraction of the currency, and produced a disastrous financial disturbance? Here we have a practical illustration of the danger that free silver threatened which any one of ordinary intelligence can understand. If the Chicago ticket had been successful we should now have financial chaos, with everybody who possessed a greenback or treasury note clamoring to exchange it for gold. As it is there is confidence and everybody who has a dollar, whether of silver or paper, knows it will be as sound a month hence or a year hence as it is now.

The object lesson should impress itself upon every man whose mind is not still clouded by the free silver delusion.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. For sale by Chas. Rogers, Druggist.

"The hold that the bicycle has on the populace is shown by the fact that it appears in all sorts of show windows, from butcher shops to jewelry establishments.

Many political speakers, clergymen, singers, and others who use the voice excessively, rely upon One Minute Cough Cure to prevent huskiness and laryngitis. Its value as a preventive is only equalled by its power to afford instantaneous relief. Charles Rogers.

Many a man who is quite willing to pay any bills his wife may run up, will not allow her enough spending money for her to be lavish even with her car fare.

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Battle-Ax PLUG. You may have "money to burn," but even so, you needn't throw it away. For 10 cents you get almost twice as much "Battle-Ax" as you do of other high grades for the same money.

Satan—"What did you say his name was?" Imp—"He says he's a newspaper writer named 'Veritas.'"

Satan—"Good. Push him into the hot room with Vox Populi, Pro Bono Publico, Vendor, Justice and the other incurables."

Centuries ago, people used to fear what they called the pestilence. "Black Death" was the most terrible thing in the world to them. They feared it as people now fear the Cholera and Yellow Fever.

Woodman—"They tell me that you never get genuine victrolas on the stage—that it is always imitation food that is used."

"What," said the commander, anxiously, "is that briak firing off to the left?"

"We are not yet definitely informed," replied the aide-de-camp, "whether it is a general engagement or a policeman shooting at a mad dog."

THE DISCOVERY SAVED HIS LIFE. Mr. G. Callouette, Druggist, Beaversville, Ill., says: "To Dr. King's New Discovery I owe my life. Was taken with La Grippe and tried all the physicians for miles about, but of no avail and was given up and told I could not live. Having Dr. King's New Discovery in my store I sent for a bottle and began its use and from the first dose began to get better, and after using three bottles was up and about again. It is worth its weight in gold. We don't keep store or house without it." Get a free trial at Chas. Rogers' Drug Store.

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CASTORIA. For Infants and Children. The Individual troubled with insomnia does not give herself airs because she rises earlier than her lazy sister.

Chronic constipation is a painful, disagreeable and life-shortening difficulty. It deranges the system, causes sick headache, bad breath, and poisons the blood. It can be readily overcome by De Witt's Little Early Risers. These little pills are great regulators. Charles Rogers.

A hacking cough is not only annoying to others, but is dangerous to the person who has it. One Minute Cough Cure will quickly put an end to it. Charles Rogers.

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OUTWARD BOUND OREGON GRAIN FLEET—1895-6.

Table with columns: SAILED, FLAG, NAME, PORT, ARRIVED, DESTINATION, VALUE, SHIPPERS. Lists various grain ships and their routes.

A—2,000 lbs flour, value \$20.00. B—Also 1,000 cases salmon, value \$20.00. C—Also 1,000 cases barley, value \$20.00. D—Also 1,000 cases flour, value \$20.00. E—Also 1,000 cases flour, value \$20.00. F—Also 1,000 cases flour, value \$20.00. G—Also 1,000 cases flour, value \$20.00. H—Also 1,000 cases flour, value \$20.00. I—Also 1,000 cases flour, value \$20.00. J—Also 1,000 cases flour, value \$20.00. K—Also 1,000 cases flour, value \$20.00. L—Also 1,000 cases flour, value \$20.00. M—Also 1,000 cases flour, value \$20.00. N—Also 1,000 cases flour, value \$20.00. O—Also 1,000 cases flour, value \$20.00. P—Also 1,000 cases flour, value \$20.00. Q—Also 1,000 cases flour, value \$20.00. R—Also 1,000 cases flour, value \$20.00. S—Also 1,000 cases flour, value \$20.00. T—Also 1,000 cases flour, value \$20.00. U—Also 1,000 cases flour, value \$20.00. V—Also 1,000 cases flour, value \$20.00. W—Also 1,000 cases flour, value \$20.00. X—Also 1,000 cases flour, value \$20.00. Y—Also 1,000 cases flour, value \$20.00. Z—Also 1,000 cases flour, value \$20.00.

VESSELS ON THE WAY TO OREGON.

Table with columns: PORT SAILED FROM AND NAME, CAPTAIN, TONNAGE, COMPANY, DATE. Lists various ships and their destinations.

REFERENCES I Iron. Total tonnage on the way—44,752. Same time in 1895—68,811. Same time in 1894—67,861.

MANHOOD RESTORED "CUPIDENE". THE GREAT VEGETABLE. A famous French physician, who cured you of all diseases of the generative organs, such as Gonorrhea, Syphilis, Pimples, Unpleasant Smell, etc., has discovered a new and powerful medicine, which cures you of all these diseases, and restores you to full health and vigor.

Every Single Man in Oregon

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