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ELECTROPLATING THE HULLS OF SHIPS.

The latest experiments in protecting the hulls of ships from barnacles and corrosion, and incidentally wooden ships from the teredo, have been along the line of electroplating with copper. The consensus of opinion of all scientists seems to be that copper is the best material for sheathing the hulls, and if this could be put on at less expense, and in such a way that it would add only a trifle more to the weight of the craft, and more thoroughly protect the steel hulls from corrosion, the question would be finally solved. By electroplating with copper the sides and bottoms of ships, all the difficulties that have heretofore puzzled shipbuilders seem to be overcome. The trial of electroplating the hull of a seagoing craft was made over a year ago, and the results appear to be highly satisfactory. This method, as described by the Arena, is very simple—in fact, just as easy as plating any small article. After a ship is docked and the bottom and sides are thoroughly scraped and cleaned, she is practically placed in a bath of copper sulphate, into which is passed an electric current.

In order to accomplish this work successfully on a large scale, liquid-tight boxes are fitted to conform to the hull of the ship, and when these are filled with a solution of copper, they are screwed up so snugly to the bottom that no air or liquid can escape from below. The top of the boxes is left open in order to admit the current. The iron hull of the ship acts as the negative pole, and when the circuit is formed a deposit of copper is gradually formed outside of the hull of the steamer. This film of copper is absolutely air-tight and perfect in formation, fitting so tightly to the iron hull that it can be removed only with the greatest difficulty. In forty-eight hours it is one-sixteenth of an inch thick, and weighs 2.5 pounds to the square foot. When the whole surface of the bottom has been electroplated with copper in this way, the skin makes a surface so smooth and unbroken that no weak spots can possibly be found. "Pitting" is out of the question, for no nails are used in the whole operation. The copper does not break easily, as it fits so closely to the iron plates that it is necessary sometimes to chip off the iron to separate the two. The copper skin makes a perfect water-tight protection to the ship, and in an instance where the steel backing or plates should crack, it would greatly add to the safety of the ship. The electroplating method, thus briefly described, seems like a long stride toward the solution of the old problem of perfecting the hulls of wooden and iron ships.

It is given out at Washington, as the result of a cabinet consultation on the Cuban situation, that the policy hitherto pursued, of an observant neutrality and the strict compliance with international obligations will be adhered to as long as the conditions remain as at present. There was nothing else to be expected, since nothing has occurred to justify any other course. The remarkable thing is that no objection is raised to this sensible decision, and the correspondents and editors who have been railing at Cleveland and Olney for their "Spanish" policy appear to think the same policy all right, as it is, when pursued by McKinley and Sherman. Whether Morgan and Call and Vest and the other patriotic

blatherskites will also acquiesce we shall learn in a very few days. At least it may be expected that the refusal of the administration to seize upon Cuba at once will cause them less acute pain than it did. For it is pretty well understood that what ailed those eloquent senators was not so much a passion for Cuba as impatient wrath against Cleveland.

Mrs. Helen Gougar took a case to the supreme court of the state of Indiana to test the right of herself and other women to vote in that state. That tribunal has just rendered a decision adverse to her claim. The first point in the decision is that the state constitution limits the ballot to males; second, that this is not in conflict with the fourteenth and fifteenth amendments to the national constitutional, as they do not prohibit an abridgment of the right to vote on account of sex. The third point is really the most important. It is, that the right of voting exists for the benefit of the state itself, not for that of the individual. Therefore, it is not a natural right, but a civil one, to be exercised only by those to whom it is expressly granted by positive law.

The decision thus puts a quietus upon the wild theories of the extremists, of whom Mrs. Gougar is one of the most notorious. Such women as she are really an obstruction to woman suffrage, as they show their own unwillingness to be entrusted with the ballot.

Mayor Taylor and the city council need have no fear as to the backing of public sentiment in their fight against a foolish and insubordinate police department. Those to whom the idea of openly licensing vice in Astoria would have been abhorrent and revolting, within the last forty-eight hours, are now enthusiastic advocates of such a movement. The police commissioners have made a fatal mistake, and can hardly expect to ever retrieve the position they once occupied in public estimation and confidence. They may sneer as much as they please at the criticism their course has engendered, but it will possibly turn out that the only honorable escape from the dilemma they have thus wilfully and deliberately created is in handing their resignations to the mayor and common council.

The chronic grumbler still lives, but there are less cases of chronic indigestion and dyspepsia than formerly. The fact is, so many people in the past have taken Simmons Liver Regulator that they are now cured of these ills. And a great multitude are now taking Simmons Liver Regulator for the same troubles and they'll soon be cured. "It is the best medicine."—Mrs. E. Raine, Baltimore, Md.

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VESSELS ON THE WAY TO OREGON.

(Revised and Corrected every Friday)

Table with columns: PORT SAILED FROM AND NAME, CAPTAIN, TONNAGE, CONSIGNEES, DAY OUT. Lists various ships and their destinations.

REFERENCES. 1 Iron. 1-Nov. 28th, 18, 30 W. Total tonnage on the way—11,000. Same time to 1896—41,822. Same time to 1895—25,236.

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