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If the same enterprise was shown by residents of Astoria, Portland and other Oregon cities, to grubstake prospectors and miners in this state, there would be developed a large number of handsomely paying placer and quartz mines within a stone's throw of Portland or Astoria. There is just as much fine gold in the state of Oregon, where the mines can be worked almost the entire year, as there is in far away Alaska, where there are but six weeks of working weather in the year, and where the hardships are something tremendous. The same amount of money expended at home would bring more capital and profit into the state and distribute a larger amount of money among the people than can be hoped to be realized from the many expeditions sent out from here to Alaska. It is all right to develop any part of the United States or its territory, but why Oregonians should run away from home and encounter the hardships of the Arctic regions to search for gold, when there is plenty of the metal at their own doors, is a hard proposition for the ordinary business man to understand.

AT THE RUBICON.

Cæsar paused at the banks of the Rubicon! For what reason did he pause? Why did he not go right on? He had passed larger rivers. Is it not reasonable to assume that he hesitated because he knew that he had no right to cross that river? He knew that he could not cross it without disregarding the authority he had before respected and obeyed. Cæsar hesitated—but, he crossed over. Whenever a young man finds himself strongly inclined to do something he knows to be wrong or disreputable he has arrived at the banks of the Rubicon. He pauses. Upon the result of his deliberations often depends the success or failure, the happiness or the misery, of his after lifetime. To remain on the right side of the Rubicon means safety—peace and good standing in the community. To cross over means a smothered conscience, a downward course, disgrace, death. Cæsar flourished for a time. The utmost desire of his ambitious nature was gratified. But how short was the period of his triumph. Retribution came, sudden—and when least expected. There may be those around us who have crossed the Rubicon, and are apparently meeting with success in carrying out their schemes of profit or pleasure. Let us not be deceived by these appearances. Neither physical nor moral laws can be violated with impunity. In the voyage of life, if we would not be cast upon the shores of adversity and ruin, keep within the well-marked and lighted channel of uprightness. Near the entrance to every dangerous harbor may be seen the half-sunken hulks and broken spars of many once proud ships. So is the pathway of life strewn with wrecks of humanity, each paying the just and inevitable penalty of violated laws. Let the young man be careful—do not pass the Rubicon.

RUSSIA'S GREAT RAILROAD.

It is now announced that the Russian government has made provision for keeping the harbor of Vladivostock, the Pacific terminus of the Trans-Siberian railroad, free from ice throughout the winter. It has begun the construction of two enormous steamers for ice-breaking, and it is believed that, though accompanied by considerable expense, the undertaking will succeed. These measures for rendering Vladivostock accessible by sea during all seasons of the year, if that is possible, are in line with the policy which is now collecting at that point a powerful army and navy, and do not indicate in the least that Russia will content herself with frozen Vladivostock as her winter seaport on the Pacific and the permanent terminus of the Trans-Siberian railroad. From latest accounts this mighty engineering project is over half completed, and work on all the unfinished sections of the line is being pushed as fast as possible. There seems to be no limit to the expense which the czar, who officially inaugurated the enterprise when czarovitch, and who takes the greatest personal interest in it, is willing to incur in the consummation of this plan of joining Russia's center of strength with the eastern coast of Asia. Many engineering difficulties have been encountered on the way. The westward part of the line, now in operation, was comparatively simple, though from the nature of the country, which is somewhat low and in places swampy, rivers are so frequent that scores of costly bridges have had to be built. The work in the eastern half of Siberia has presented more trouble because of the rugged surface of the country. At Irkutsk, on the shores of Lake Baikal, a ferry has had to be substituted for the short detour around the south of the lake, because of the very precipitous shores. When the headwaters of the river Amoor are reached east of Irkutsk still another problem presents itself. This river is annually overflowed and it is feared that unless unusual precautions are taken the railroad will be periodically useless. Russia does not relish the postponement of the completion of the road while the banks of the Amoor are being dyked and has entered into an agreement with the projectors of the Manchurian railroad which is to run from Nertschinsk in the foot-hills of the Yablonoi or Slavonoi mountains, to Vladivostock, a much shorter route. It is estimated that trains will be running over the entire route from Zlatoust to Vladivostock before the end of the century. This event will mark the beginning of the era of Russia's domination over Asia. It will enable the czar to place a large and effective army on the shores of the Pacific or at any point in the northern half of the continent, with promptness. Co-operating with this land force will be Russia's powerful navy. Incidentally, the railroad will develop the vast expense of Siberian plains, most of the area of which is capable of profitable cultivation. Already this region is dotted with large cities, but the lack of communication has isolated them and kept them from being of use to the empire. Siberia is more than a convict colony, as the world will doubtless learn when its apparently limitless mineral and agricultural resources have been opened up by the railroad. Thus the project of communication, which was begun with a definite military object in view, to further the boundless ambitions of Russias' rulers, has a distinct bearing upon the world's commercial relations.

THE OBJECTION NOT GOOD.

There are people who have objections to advertising matter in the columns of a newspaper. The ground of objection is that they do not want to read advertisements. Now this objection is not good, for oftentimes these advertisements convey valuable information. For instance, how else would the traveling public learn of the excellent dining car service of the Wisconsin Central lines between St. Paul and Chicago, or the general comfort of traveling over this popular line. For particulars call on the nearest ticket agent or address J. C. Pond, G. P. A., Milwaukee, Wis., or Geo. S. Batty, General Agent, 246 Stark street, Portland, Or.

Oh, the [illegible]

Sadie—Ain't he a bute?

Elsie—You bet! What a shame he wuzzen't twins; then there'd 'a' bin an husband apiece for us.—Truth.

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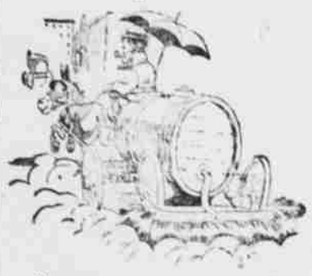
A Bicycle Term.



"OUT FOR A SPURT ON THE ROAD."
—New York Sunday World.

Why She Knew.

Willy—I bet we's doin what isn't dood for us.

Milly—Why?

Willy—'Tause we likes it.—New York Journal.

Duck Pants.

Uncle Henry (solus)—Oh, I don't know. They bain't so warm in Greater York. I guess we kin go the gait with them out here in Swampville even if duck pants are all the style.—Yellow Kid Magazine.

In a Crowd.

First Doubtful Character—My eye, mate, this is a squash!

Second D. C.—Squash! Why, s'elp me if I ain't 'ad my 'and in this cove's pocket for the larst 20 minits an can't get it out!—Punch.

A Golf Term.

ONE UP AND TWO TO PLAY.
—New York Sunday Journal.

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Vessel.	Tons	Rate	Dys
Cape Wrath, Br sh	1388	100A1	—
Dunsyre, Br sh	2300	100A1	—
Marechal Suchet, Br sh	1785	100A1	—

ANTWERP.

Oehlstyre, Br bk	1361	100A1	56
Lincolnshire, Br sh	1367	100A1	21

BALTIMORE.

George Skelton, Am sh	1710	3A11	13

CAPE TOWN.

Springburn, Br sh	2300	100A1	—

CARDIFF.

Annesley, Br sh	1391	100A1	104

FREEMANTLE, AUS.

Anamba, Br bk	1055	100A1	16

HONGKONG.

Crown of Scotland, Br sh	1481	100A	34
Renee Rickmers, Ger sh	1986	100A1	—
Lady Wentworth, Br sh	2502	100A1	—
Flottbek, Ger sh	1889	100A1	—

HONOLULU.

Godiva, Br sh	1812	100A1	61
Monmouthshire, Br sh	1871	100A1	—
Torridale, Br sh	2184	100A1	—

HONOLULU.

Brenhilda, Br sh	1240	100A1	—

MELBOURNE.

Kinross-shire, Br sh	2108	100A1	—

NAGASAKI.

Bandaneira, Br sh	1775	100A1	—

NEWCASTLE, A.

Philomene, Br sh	1352	100A1	32
Provence, Br sh	1086	100A1	—
Sutherlandshire, Br sh	1349	100A1	—

SHANGHAI.

Eignesstre, Br sh	2038	100A1	—
Beacon Rock, Br sh	1739	100A1	—
Cumberian King, Br sh	1698	100A1	—
Strathgyle, Br sh	2190	100A1	—

SWANSEA.

Drumburton, Br sh	1777	100A1	—

TABLE BAY.

Pottsfleth, Br sh	1139	100A1	—

VLADIVOSTOCK.

Glanmarrel, Br str	2540	100A1	—
City of Perth, Br sh	2278	100A1	—

YOKOHAMA.

Peru, Ger sh	2096	100A1	—
Monkburns, Br sh	1777	100A1	24
Arrowsa, Br sh	2222	100A1	—

The British ship Andreta left up for Portland last night.

The tug Maggie, Captain Webb, arrived in from Nehalem yesterday on her way to Portland.

The steamer State of California arrived in yesterday and left up the river for Portland.

The Norwegian steamer Florida sailed yesterday morning for China with a million and a half of railroad ties.

The British ship Crown of Scotland entered in tug yesterday, and will leave up for Portland today or tomorrow.

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March 8, 1897. Samuel Pitcher, M.D.

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