

NEW EXPLOSIVE IS INVENTED

THE DISCOVERER IS A NINETEEN-YEAR-OLD CHICAGO LAD.

It is destined to revolutionize Marine Destroyers—A Philadelphia Capitalist Backing the Enterprise.

Chicago, August 27.—A small brass projectile, measuring four by one and one-quarter inches, was thrown in the lake off Van Huren street from the government pier and at a depth of five feet it exploded.

The name of this explosive, which is the discovery of two Chicago men, is mirex. From recent experiments its inventors claim it is not a wild statement to say that mirex will revolutionize modern warfare.

Unlike the marine torpedo—the most perfect destroying projectile known to naval engineers—mirex is a comparatively small brass casing, can be thrown from a canon at any distance desired under 20 miles, and dropping into the water at the side of a man of war, will sink to a stated depth and explode with annihilating results.

Its discoverers are Herman G. Puffer, a salesman for Browning, King & Co., and William S. Darley, connected with the Cleveford Hosiery Company. They are not expert chemists, and mirex in its perfect state is the result of some luck and a good deal of hard work and enterprise.

Mr. Puffer is a modest man of 21 years and is speaking of the explosive, he said:

"It is neither liquid nor solid, nor is it a powder. While experimenting with it Darley and myself smoke our pipes and handle it as we would so much sand. It is an odd and wonderful mixture on its name signifies nothing, it explodes at any depth we desire, the explosion depending on the quantity and quality of the composition we place in the projectile. We are now having a gun model constructed in Chicago, and within six weeks this canon will be finished and presented to the United States navy department. It will throw a projectile eight inches long and three-and-a-half inches in diameter. This will blow into shrapnel any ship that floats in the lake. Each one of these shells will cost about 25¢, vastly cheaper than torpedoes now in use and far more accurate and destructive."

Mr. Darley is only 18 years of age. He will not divulge the character or nature of the new explosive. The projectile used in these experiments is about the size of a giant firecracker and the ends of a cylinder are closed with a substance that looks like tinfoil.

Mr. Darley was once connected with the navy department.

SACRAMENTO SALMON.

Fishermen on a Strike and Business Stopped.

San Francisco, August 27.—The salmon canning industry on Sacramento river is at a standstill at present. In previous seasons the packers paid a regular price for all fish delivered to them, large and small alike. This year the packers proposed to pay so much a pound for the fish instead of the old system. This in addition to a cut of from one and a half to four and a half cents a pound was received with illfavor by the fishermen, who declined to supply any more fish unless the old system was continued and an increase be made in the price. This proposition the Sacramento River Packers' Association declined, and thus the matter stands, and will so stand for this season, as the close season commences on Saturday. The companies will not can salmon until next season.

THE PRAGUAY REVOLUTION.

President Borda's Death Will Make No Change.

New York, August 27.—A despatch to the Herald from Montevideo says: The revolutionists have declared that the assassination of President Borda will have no effect upon their future. The war will continue.

Avellino Arrondida, the military officer who shot President Borda, reiterates his statement that he had no accomplices. He now says, however, that he murdered the president to save his country from bad government. The fact that he and all his family belong to the Colo-

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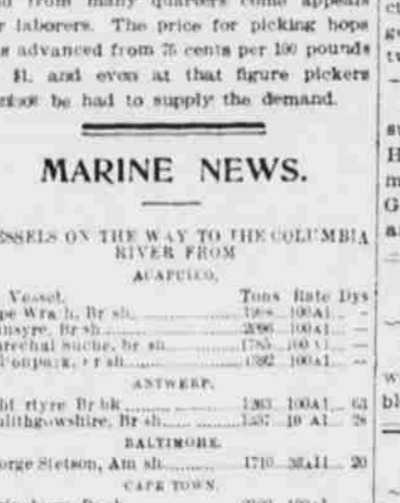
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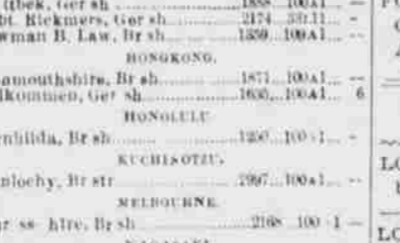
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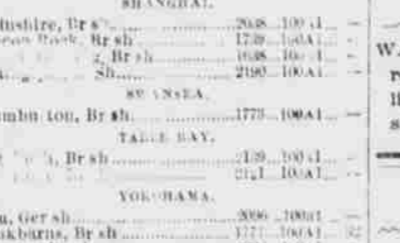
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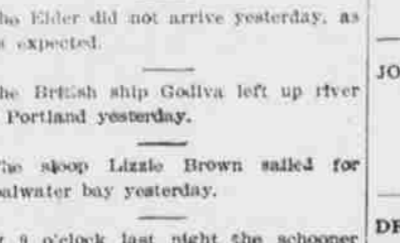
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