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## CONCERNING HAWAII.

Hon. John W. Foster, secretary of state under President Harrison, presents the real point of the Hawaiian case with great force and lucidity. It is this: The day is passing when small, independent states, occupying advantageous commercial or strategic positions, can maintain their independence. The process of absorption by the great commercial and military nations of the world has begun, and will proceed until all barbarous and semi-civilized lands, and the smaller independent countries, will all have passed under the control of some one of the dominant nations.

The whites in Hawaii—the men who compose the present republican government and its supporters—fully realize this fact. They understand that the maintenance of Hawaiian independence under any form of government, is an impossibility. They bow to the inevitable logic of events, and understand that Hawaii's manifest destiny is to become a dependency of some one of the world's great powers.

All they can do, is to have the island republic fall into proper hands. Their first preference is for the United States. They have done all they can to promote this, and the matter now lies in our hands. We may accept or decline. But our declination does not mean that the island shall remain independent. They will pass into the hands of some other country; and, after us, the preference of the Hawaiian government is for Great Britain.

The only reason some other power has not absorbed the islands before this is because the United States long ago took the position that any "interference" with Hawaii by any other nation would be regarded as an unfriendly act. But this would not hold in case Hawaii voluntarily placed herself in the hands of another nation. We could only acquiesce.

The Hawaiian islands are of vast commercial and strategic importance. They are the "cross-roads of the Pacific"—on the line of travel from any point on our western coast to the Orient, and equally important as the half-way station between British America and Australia, India and Great Britain's Polynesian dependencies. They give the command of the Pacific to any great maritime power which may obtain possession of them. If we decline the offer of annexation, Hawaii will pass into the hands of the greatest naval and commercial nation in the world—our greatest rival, Great Britain.

The whole mass of rubbishy talk pro and con is valueless as argument on which to base a decision when we realize the simple facts of the case are these:

That Hawaii is determined to place herself under the flag of some first-class power;

That her preference is to become an appanage of the United States;

That if we decline, the same offer will be made to Great Britain—and we may be sure it will be accepted;

And, finally, in that case we will have no right to interfere with Hawaii's voluntary act.

The treaty of annexation should be ratified. If it is not done, the day will come, in the lives of men now in active life, when those who reject it now will be gibbeted by the indignant public opinion of the United States.

Trade in many sections of the west is reported to be seriously interfered with by the bad conditions of the roads. Legislatures refuse to enact laws for the improvement of rural highways because the farmers who object to increased taxation have a habit of retaliating at the next election. Farmers in Oregon do not seem to realize that they are imprisoned on their farms until the mud dries up; that they are deprived of the benefit of high prices by the annual mire blockade, and that those who handle farm produce are forced to remain idle for a large portion of the year. It is singular that the class most affected by impassable roads refuses to consider the money to be made by taking advantage of the higher prices in the late winter and spring markets. The only road enthusiasts to be found in the west are the cyclists, but the farmers are too short-sighted to see that pleasure riding is not the only benefit conferred by proper road laws.

The Lodge immigration bill, some reference to which was made in this column yesterday, once passed the house and senate and was vetoed by President Cleveland. The ground, among others, which Mr. Cleveland assigned for his refusal to approve the bill was that it presented a radical departure from the traditional policy relating to immigration. The results of which policy, as Mr. Cleveland said, have been of a nature to arouse sentiment in its defense, for, however it might have been regarded as an original proposition and viewed as an experiment, its accomplishments are such that it is to be uprooted at this late date its disadvantages should be plainly apparent, and the substance adopted should be just and adequate, free from uncertainty and guard against difficult or oppressive administration.

J. A. Perkins, of Antiquity, O., was for thirty years needlessly tortured by physicians for the cure of sciatica. He was quickly cured by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, the famous healing salve for piles and skin diseases. Chas. Rogers,

What a dismaying sight it is to contemplate being in love with the wrong person, but how few individuals bestow their affections in the right place.

It is easy to catch a cold and just as easy to get rid of it if you commence early to use One Minute Cough Cure. It cures coughs, colds, bronchitis, pneumonia, and all throat and lung troubles. It is pleasant to take, safe to use and sure to cure. Chas. Rogers.

The sorrow friends experience at having an invalid go away is largely tempered by a sense of relief at being rid of their whimsicalities.

Mr. Eliha Berry, of this place, says he had nothing to do him so much good and give such quick relief from rheumatism as Chamberlain's Pain Balm. He was bothered greatly with shooting pains from hip to knee until he used this liniment which affords prompt relief.

R. F. Baker, druggist, St. Paul, Oba.

For sale by Charles Rogers, druggist.

If you have a good dressmaker stick to her. Do not be lured into the belief that some "awfully cheap" one of whom you have heard will bring you satisfaction.

If you are troubled with falling hair, dandruff, eczema of the scalp, or inclined to grayness, use the best preparation made to correct and cure—Hall's Hair Renewer.

It is very harrowing to the feminine mind to have two or three pretty evening frocks lying idle because neck bones have started on an expiring pilgrimage through the skin.

Read Ayer's Almanac, which your druggist will gladly hand you, and note the wonderful cure of rheumatism, catarrh, dyspepsia, sciatica, debility, humors and sorbs by the use of Ayer's Sarsaparilla, the only sarsaparilla admitted at the world's fair.

There are two occasions when a man thinks he can with impunity call a young woman acquaintance "dear"—when he is too old to be considered dangerous or she is too ill to resent it.

Prosperity comes quickest to the man whose liver is in good condition, DeWitt's Little Bile Elixir are famous little pills for constipation, biliousness, indigestion and all stomach and liver troubles. Chas. Rogers.

THE GREATEST DISCOVERY YET.

W. M. Reppin, editor Tiskiwa, Ill., chief, says: "We won't keep house without Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. Coughs and Colds. Experimented with many others, but never got the true remedy until we used Dr. King's New Discovery. No other remedy can take its place in our home, as it we have a certain and sure cure for coughs, colds, whooping cough, etc." It is like to experiment with other remedies, even if they are urged on you as just as good as Dr. King's New Discovery: They are not as good, because this remedy has a record of cures and besides is guaranteed. It never fails to satisfy. Trial bottles at Estes-Cone Drug Company.

Why is it when one is feeling low, there is always a man near by who whistles continuously just the tune that has the greatest power to awaken sad memories. That Hawaii is determined to place herself under the flag of some first-class power;

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**Modern Treatment of Consumption**

The latest work on the treatment of diseases, written by forty eminent American physicians, says: "Cod-liver oil has done more for the consumptive than all other remedies put together." It also says: "The hypophosphites of lime and soda are regarded by many English observers as specifics for consumption."

**Scott's Emulsion**

contains the best cod-liver oil in a partially digested form, combined with the Hypophosphites of Lime and Soda. This remedy, a standard for a quarter of a century, is in exact accord with the latest views of the medical profession. Be sure you get SCOTT'S Emulsion.

All druggists: 50c. and \$1.00. SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists, New York.

**VESSELS BOUND TO ASTORIA.**

The following vessels are bound to the Columbia River, with name of master, nationality, rig, tonnage, where from and date of sailing:

George Stetson, Murphy, Am sh, 179 tons, Baltimore, August 6.

Dovenby Hall, Whickham, Br sh, 182 tons, Liverpool.

Ben Vorlich, Ahier, Ger sh, 167 tons, Santa Rosalia.

Otago, Esak, Swd bk, 970 tons, Hamburg.

Before



Retiring....

take Ayer's Pills, and you will sleep better and wake in better condition for the day's work. Ayer's Cathartic Pills have no equal as a pleasant and effectual remedy for constipation, biliousness, sick headache, and all liver troubles. They are sugar-coated, and so perfectly prepared, that they cure without the annoyances experienced in the use of so many of the pills on the market. Ask your druggist for Ayer's Cathartic Pills. When other pills won't help you, Ayer's is

THE PILL THAT WILL.

MARINE NEWS.

Tide table for January, 1898.

DATE	HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
	A. M.	P. M.	A. M.	P. M.
Saturday, 1	7:20:23	8:54:52	1:16:30	2:28:17
Sunday, 2	8:15:24	9:49:54	2:31:27	3:43:22
Monday, 3	9:10:26	10:51:00	3:46:00	4:59:00
Tuesday, 4	10:19:26	11:58:50	4:42:00	5:52:00
Wednesday, 5	10:59:28	12:45:50	5:28:45	6:39:00
Thursday, 6	0:07:28	1:18:50	6:12:44	7:22:00
Friday, 7	0:47:28	1:59:00	6:50:22	7:59:00
Saturday, 8	1:27:28	12:45:00	7:20:34	8:29:00
SUNDAY, 9	2:07:28	1:24:51	8:05:34	9:13:16
Monday, 10	2:47:28	1:04:51	8:45:34	9:53:16
Tuesday, 11	3:27:28	0:44:51	9:04:29	10:12:16
Wednesday, 12	3:56:28	0:23:44	9:46:21	10:49:08
Thursday, 13	4:12:28	0:03:54	10:15:13	11:19:11
Friday, 14	4:25:28	-	10:26:13	11:30:00
Saturday, 15	4:48:28	-	10:36:13	11:39:00
SUNDAY, 16	5:03:28	-	10:46:13	11:46:00
Monday, 17	5:26:28	-	10:56:13	11:55:00
Tuesday, 18	5:49:28	-	11:06:13	12:04:00
Wednesday, 19	6:12:28	-	11:16:13	12:13:00
Thursday, 20	6:35:28	-	11:26:13	12:22:00
Friday, 21	6:58:28	-	11:36:13	12:31:00
Saturday, 22	7:21:28	-	11:46:13	12:40:00
SUNDAY, 23	7:44:28	-	11:56:13	12:49:00
Monday, 24	7:57:28	-	12:06:13	1:18:00
Tuesday, 25	8:20:28	-	12:16:13	1:27:00
Wednesday, 26	8:33:28	-	12:26:13	1:36:00
Thursday, 27	8:46:28	-	12:36:13	1:45:00
Friday, 28	8:59:28	-	12:46:13	1:54:00
Saturday, 29	9:12:28	-	12:56:13	1:59:00
SUNDAY, 30	9:25:28	-	13:06:13	2:08:00
Monday, 31	9:38:28	-	13:16:13	2:17:00

ASTORIA'S GRAIN FLEET.

Wheat

Vessel and Flag

Cuts | Value

Duchiburn, Br sh, 67,756 \$8,000

Glenelvian, Br sh, 51,200 90,800

Cragerine, Br sh, 66,794 90,800

Crown of Scotland, Br sh, 75,000 90,000

Bethelwood, Br sh, 60,520 75,000

Dunbarston, Br sh, 47,216 74,000

Cumbrian, Br sh, 49,000 74,000

Monarch, Br sh, 50,000 75,000

Marchaline, Br sh, 67,855 90,000

Marshalline, Br sh, 67,855 90,000