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The Weekly Astorian, the second oldest weekly in the state of Oregon, has, next to the Portland Oregonian, the largest weekly circulation in the state.

One more feather was added to the cap of the Astoria Progressive Commercial Association last night when the committee reported the collection of funds necessary for the completion of the contract for the Shively city park.

Not only are the members of the Push Club much interested in deep-sea fishing to be conducted by an Astorian next, but the business men and salmon packers are also alive to the possibilities of this great industry. That it will be pushed is now an assured fact and this enterprise, like everything else taken up by the Push Club will be pushed to a successful issue.

Who will be the queen of the "re-gatta?" This is the question agitating society circles just at the present moment. The Progressive Association committee having regatta affairs in charge will organize in a few days and earnestly prosecute the work of bringing off this year's carnival. One thing is certain there will not be an entertainment of less proportions, or less successful, than the one of '95. With the completion of the oarsman there is every incentive to make this season's regatta the best one every held.

YELLOW JOURNALISM IN WAR.

If actual warfare shall result from the present strained relations between this country and Spain the yellow journals, which for many months have been bending their energies to bring about such a crisis, may find that they have been sowing the wind, with the usual whirling after effects.

Yellow journalism is not new in the United States. During the civil war it was strongly in evidence, and the government was forced to adopt stringent measures for its discipline. At the outbreak of hostilities in 1861 several northern papers were suppressed as aspersions and abettors of treason. Their transmission through the mails was forbidden, and those who sold them were arrested and fined or imprisoned.

In the later years of the war many papers sought to increase their circulation by printing sensational and unreliable news. This was an era of yellow journalism substantially as it exists today. Two New York papers, for instance, published a forged proclamation purporting to be issued by President Lincoln and calling for 400,000 additional troops. Secretary Stanton ordered the offices of the offending papers to be seized by the military authorities. This order was carried into effect, and publication was necessarily suspended. It will be noted that these papers were not disposed; they were simply mendacious.

In all the history of American journalism, however, there has been no such scandalous malediction as has characterized the saffron, sensation-loving sheets of this country during the last few weeks. If war comes one of the first duties of the government should be to devise some check by which to hold within proper bounds the journalistic takers who are in the newspaper business for circulation only.

IN WAR SHALL COME.

If war shall come between Spain and the United States, it will not be because either nation desires it. War will come solely because Spain must accept war to escape domestic revolution.

In no other way can Spain confess her failure to suppress the insurrection in Cuba than by a war with the United States. If the Spanish government were even to entertain the question of surrendering Cuba, the already highly inflamed Spanish people would topple the crown over in a day, and anarchy would reign supreme.

Spain cannot suppress the Cuban insurrection. Her armies have failed to defeat the insurgents in battle after three years of war, and the insurgent armies are stronger and better supplied today than at any time since the war began. The point seems to have been reached, or nearly reached when Spain must face the fact that Cuba is lost to that once

proud empire; and the day that the hope of conquering the insurgents in Cuba perishes, must compel the Spanish government to choose between a war with the United States or a sweeping revolution at home.

If war shall come a very few thousand men would be needed in Cuba to unite with the insurgents, as the whole insurgent force would be promptly supplied with the best arms and munitions and with artillery with which they could capture any seaport city from inland and drive the Spanish forces into the sea.

The violent stirries in securities and values caused by rumors of war ate of all things the most senseless. If war shall come, there would be a sudden shock and some convolution in financial circles, as money is the most sensitive of all things in business channels, but war would surely inflate rather than diminish values. A war would mean the employment of scores of thousands of people now unemployed; it would mean the diffusion of scores of millions of money which would not be expended otherwise, and before war would be upon us a month, values would be advanced even beyond the prices they could command in peace. The government and the people alike have abundance of money, and its increased volume by war could not fail to increase not only all legitimate values, but even purely speculative values as well.

Everything now points to a probable war with Spain at an early day, and we should look it squarely in the face. We can escape it only if Spain can hope to escape revolution by the surrender of Cuba, and that seems entirely improbable.

We must, therefore, be prepared for war, and patriotic senators and representatives of all parties, and patriotic people throughout the whole nation, regardless of political faith, will heartily support the government in the most heroic war measures. We are now certain to be ready for it, and that means the speedy defeat of Spain and in all probability the annihilation of what was once the proud empire of the world.

A GREAT ZOOLOGICAL GARDEN.

The Zoological Society of New York propose to construct what will probably be the finest zoological garden in the world in Bronx Park, New York, and under the direction of the executive committee the plans are being fully elaborated. The society expects to open the garden to the public in a satisfactory way on May 1, 1898. What the work is to progress in all our duty and zeal, the old and well approved plan of relieving blemishes and constipation through the benevolent agency of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters finds general recognition. This excellent family medicine is a safeguard against malaria and rheumatism and removes indigestion and nervousness. It invigorates the system through the medium of improved digestion and appetite, fortifies it against disease, and counteracts the effects of overwork, mental or physical. A wineglassful before retiring refreshes health yielding and strengthens giving sleep. Let it have the preexisting and permanent trial that it deserves.

Brussels sprouts came from Belgium; beets are native to the southeast coast of Europe; sage comes from south China; rhubarb from China and Tartary. The arrowroot is from South America.

The doctor may be a good old man, but even so, medical examinations and the "local-application" treatment are abhorrent to every modest woman. They are embarrassing—often useless. They should not be submitted to until everything else has been tried. In nine cases out of ten, there is no reason for them, in nine cases out of ten, the doctor's "local application" is to treat for female diseases. They make a branch of medicine by themselves. They are distinct from other ailments. They can be properly understood and treated only by one who has had years of actual practice and experience in this particular line. This is true of Dr. R. V. Pierce, chief consulting physician of the Invincible Hotel and Surgical Institute at Buffalo, N. Y. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, a remedy for all derangements of the reproductive organs of women, has been in actual use for more than thirty years. It cures every form of "female weakness."

A dramatic version of Charles Dickens' immortal work, Black House, was given in London by deaf and dumb performers, a translation of their gestures being read aloud simultaneously for the benefit of the "hearsers" present.

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MARINE NOTES.

The State arrived in San Francisco yesterday with a large freight list. The steam schooner Alcatraz left out for San Francisco with 300,000 feet of lumber for her Sunday.

The schooners Salvator and Letitia, both lumber laden, arrived down from Port Townsend yesterday.

The schooner J. M. Coleman arrived from San Francisco Sunday to load lumber at Portland.

The British steamship Commonwealth for St. Vincent for orders, is ready for sea and carries 106,490 bushels of wheat valued at \$134,565.

The British ship Wymystay moved down to Flavel yesterday and is ready for sea. Her cargo consists of 90,113 bushels of wheat valued at \$127,100.

The steamer Canby came down from Portland Sunday. She is now propelled by steam power instead of gasoline, as formerly, and will resume her run on the Astoria-Iwaco route.

The British steamship Puritan, for St. Vincent for orders, is lying in the harbor ready for sea. Her cargo consists of 70,225 bushels of wheat valued at \$104,575.

The British bark Tweeddale arrived down from Portland yesterday and anchored at Flavel. She is bound for Port Said with a valuable cargo, of which flour is the principal item. The following Oregon products are on her manifest: Flour, 175,720 pounds, valued at \$2,000; bran, 600,000 pounds, valued at \$600; canned fruit, 1300 dozen, valued at \$150; canned salmon, 3000 cans, valued at \$250.

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