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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.

Now is the golden opportunity for those who have so long been patriots to show their patriotism in a practical way. If they cannot go to war let them go down in their pockets and contribute liberally to the young men who, without means, have volunteered their services for Old Glory. Help our naval reserve in a practical manner. It might be a good campaign card.

There is much unpleasant talk of late about a combination between "some of the leaders of the house" and the sugar trust to defeat Hawaiian annexation by adjourning congress immediately after the passage of the revenue bill. There can be no foundation for this talk. There are no "leaders of the house" who want to commit political suicide by taking part in a bargain of this sort.

The letter from Mr. W. H. Adair, appearing elsewhere in this issue, concerning the danger to the city water mains eastward from O'Brien's hotel, will be a startling revelation to most citizens, and the state of facts disclosed demands the immediate attention of the authorities. At any moment there may be a repetition of the recent conflagration started by the blaze at the Clatsop Mill Company, and as our fire department is now so organized as to be entirely dependent upon the city water supply, a state of affairs most disastrous to the city would be brought about should the elevated water mains be broken by the burning out of the wooden supports under them.

The United States has by no means fixed upon its policy with respect to the islands. The Dewey victory has opened up a most alluring prospect to the people of this country. The topic is one of very great and very general interest. It is already under informal discussion. The opening of the fall campaign will bring it under formal discussion. The sense of the people on the subject will in several ways be taken. The United States will dominate the settlement of the question, and without regard to what continental Europe may or may not desire in the premises. The importance of the islands does not diminish by passing from Spain's control, and they may be turned to account as may best suit the policy and serve the purposes of the American government.

A HAPPY MOMENT.
I have some ear for music. I was in a singing school. And they took me to lead the choir on Sunday, as a rule. An' community, there's no one more resourceful than me. When some musician shows signs of 'sidin' off the key. But "circumstances alter cases." I received how true. That good 'o'goin' is when I behold the boys in blue. All lined up at the railroad for a journey far away. While two brass bands tuned up their best 'n' started to play.

Each went on his own account, most vigorous an' brash. Not thinkin' 'bout the other in the danger of a clash.

At first it seemed a fearful shock that 'mome the atmosphere.

I never heard no discord more unisonous an' queer.

And then I listened closer. In that great confusin' sound.

A sweet an' glorious, overakin' harmony I found.

An' I still unchanged a' longuin' an' a' cheerin' like a dunce.

When them birds played "Yankee Doodle" an' "Dixie" both at once.

FOURTEEN MILLIONS LEFT TO CHARITY.

An eminent clergymen, member of many benevolent associations, has prepared comparative tables showing the amount of money left for charitable purposes by testators throughout the United States during the past three years.

That the bequests for 1897 are \$10,000,000 in excess of those of 1894. In the former year they were upward of \$10,000,000, in 1897 more than \$10,000,000.

Beneficence has other forms than that of money. Great remedies are among the most precious legacies bequeathed to mankind.

Prominent among these is Hostetter's Somach Bitters, a most effective remedy for and preventive of malaria, which often battles with pyrexia. Equally efficacious is the Bitters in case of dyspepsia, constipation, rheumatism, peritonitis, biliousness and loss of appetite and sleep.

Affairs in the far east are on a boom. The great powers are seeking new footholds there, and the Philippines are near the theater of greatest activity. Spain herself is not an actor in the drama, nor is she likely to be. She is no competitor for business with Russia or Germany or France. But if in position to yield favors in that quarter she might hope to secure such recognition as would serve her elsewhere. Although so sadly in need of friends now, she has none, and partly because it has been to nobody's interests hitherto to cultivate her. With the Philippines in her hands again she would doubtless know how to use them as the basis for erecting some serviceable European alliance.

TO ENCOURAGE THE VOLUNTEERS.

Murat Halstead:

That patriotism is a sentiment deeplying in the American heart has been more than once proven. It needs only the

proper occasion to bring out the fact indisputably. It was so in the last war; it is so in this.

Now, of those who are desirous of serving their country not all can do so wear in hand, nor at the front of battle; but none the less there is work for them to do just as useful and necessary as that of the warriors in active service, and it is work that even the feeblest can accomplish—as well as the strong. They can hold up the hands of the soldiers, so the righteous cause may prevail, by seeing to it that the families of the volunteers do not suffer. The auxiliaries of the different regiments or other organizations that have gone out provided many creature comforts for the men afield, but something more will be needed if this war continues for any length, and there is every prospect that it will.

The New York Soldiers' Family Protective Association, of which the Hon. T. L. James, ex-postmaster general and president of the Lincoln National Bank of Manhattan, is treasurer, has taken hold of this question in a practical way, by relieving the volunteers of all anxiety about their families should their stay at the front be prolonged. Many of the foremost citizens are included in the association and the number is growing daily.

The relief work will be done in a systematic manner, and not in a haphazard fashion. It will be the duty of the association to see that the wives, children or other dependent relatives of volunteers in our army or navy shall not suffer want through the absence of their "bread winner" in the country's service, but that they shall be as well treated as if the absent one were at home and earning ample support for them, instead of the modest pay of a private.

Not only does this association intend to acquaint itself with the needs of the families of soldiers, but will have a representative with each New York City regiment in the field.

All can join such a body and contribute what they are able, for all should feel that they have a hand in encouraging the volunteers to fight stoutly for the flag, and to enable them to do this they must be made to feel that they are not sacrificing those dependent upon them.

Remember that those who cannot fight can encourage those who do, and all should feel proud of the opportunity to serve their country indirectly, if they cannot do so directly. The Soldiers' Family Protective association is a noble body, and their work is noble and patriotic.

VESSELS BOUND TO ASTORIA.

Midas, Messenger, Br. bk. 1362 tons, Nagasaki.

Alexander Black, Duns, Br. bk. 139 tons, Antwerp.

Forthbank, Peterson, Br. bk., 1332 tons, Gibraltor.

Joseph Pulitzer, Harvey, Am. rch., 13 tons, New York.

Clackmannanshire, Thomson, Br. sh. 142 tons, Newcastle.

Silberhorn, Gibson, Br. bk. 1774 tons, Liverpool.

Argo, Maclean, Br. sh. 160 tons, Antwerp.

Castile Rock, Jones, Br. str. 1387 tons, Hilo.

Lombard, Raison, Br. str. 1365 tons, Hong Kong.

Gunders, MacPherson, Br. sh. 2108 tons, Hamburg.

Bartsch, Bresch, Br. sh. 1320 tons, Marmia.

Les Adelphes, Lebreton, Br. bk. 1230 tons, Finscham.

Posidon, Bush Br. sh. 1758 tons, Newcastle.

Gertrud, Hinke, Ger. sh. 163 tons, Kobe.

Lauriston, Latte, Br. bk. 2123 tons, Rio Janeiro.

Howth, Martin, Br. bk. 2165 tons, Calcutta.

Emre Pasha, Christensen, Ger. bk. 167 tons, Wallau.

Motley, Br. sh. 1325 tons, Antwerp.

John Cook, Magee, Br. sh. 1358 tons, Hilo.

Sirrus, Barry, Br. sh. 1329 tons, Tokohama.

Heleburg, Jefferson, Br. sh. 1699 tons, Shanghai.

Olenard, Turner, Br. sh. 1736 tons, San Francisco.

Forest Hill, Scott, Br. sh. 1999 tons, Shanghai.

Argyl Ward, Br. str. 1886 tons, Hong Nereus, Schutte, Ger. sh. 1725 tons, Hamburg.

Nordale, Fisher, Br. sh. 175 tons, Antwerp.

Port Elgin, Remney, Br. sh. 1828 tons, Newcastle.

Andraida, Adams, Br. sh. 2324 tons, Yokohama.

Dyeholm, Forbes, Br. sh. 1968 tons, Tokyo.

Arthur Fliger, Denker, Ger. sh. 1628 tons, Sydney.

Trade Winds, Ritchie, Br. sh. 2722 tons, San Francisco.

Modian, Kirb, Br. sh. 1816 tons, Yokohama.

Broderick Castle, Ferguson, Br. sh. 1816 tons, Shanghai.

Edmund Jones, Br. lk. 191 tons, San Francisco.

Thaisaa, Heilmege, Ger. bk. 1728 tons, Hamburg.

Colbert, Louras, Fr. bk. 1338 tons, Table Bay.

Penrhyn Castle, Davies, Br. lk. 1338 tons, San Francisco.

Inveraud, Jackson, Br. lk. 1352 tons, San Francisco.

San Franckson, Br. sh. 1367 tons, Hong Kong.

Christine, Warncke, Ger. bk. 1660 tons, Hilo.

Leighbank, Lindsay, Br. bk. 2237 tons, Shanghai.

Windhurst, Haase, Ger. bk. 1533 tons, Yokohama.

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To keep your friends never take favors of them.

SHIPPING AND MARINE



MARINE NOTES.

Tide Table for June, 1898.

HIGH WATER LOW WATER

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