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When the history of Sampson's capture of Servera and his destruction of the entire Spanish fleet is written the battle will go down in future as the most brilliant achievement in the annals of naval warfare. First misleading the enemy and enticing them out of their stronghold, after their ships were all at sea, suddenly the American fleet bears down upon them and after a running fight of more than twenty miles on the ocean not a Spanish ship is left to tell the tale, while the prisoners taken actually equal in numbers almost the entire force of sailors in the American fleet. Even Dewey must yield the palm to his brother officer—Sampson, as the most scientific naval officer of the age. Such a complete victory is almost incredible.

The god of battle must surely be on the American side in the conflict with Spain. Not only is the latest news of such a nature as to bring a thrill of exultation to the breast of every American citizen, but to make it even a subtle cause of satisfaction, it came just in the nick of time to be published throughout the length and breadth of the land on Fourth of July morning. Sampson's feat on this side of the world is the exact correlative of Dewey's on the other. So far, at least as the power of aggressive naval warfare is concerned, Spain is in a helpless condition. She has lost two entire fleets, comprising every effective vessel but two she possesses, within sixty days of each other. Full details have not yet been received from Sampson's great victory, but from such reports as have been published it is hard to determine which is the greater feat, his or Dewey's. Sampson's victory will confirm the prestige of the American navy. Our success in every instance where we have met the enemy has been phenomenal and unprecedented. There is and can be entertained but one opinion among naval experts the world over—that so far as our navy goes, ship for ship, it is the equal of any fleet, and in gunnery, the quality of guns and in the personnel of officers and men, it is really superior to that of any other nation. In all soberness and without the slightest undue boasting, it may be fairly questioned whether in all history such a series of important victories, considered in their full significance, have ever been obtained by any nation. Without the loss of a ship, and what is even still more satisfactory, with the loss of but two men killed in action, the American navy today has planned the emblem of American supremacy over the entire colonial possessions of Spain in two hemispheres. Such a record has never been equalled; it never will be excelled. Hurrah for Admiral Sampson and Dewey, and hurrah for the men and ships of our glorious American navy.

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For Infants and Children.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
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It is a noticeable fact that when a man falls he either blames it on his wife's extravagance or his own superabundant honesty.

PLAYED OUT.

Dull headache, pains in various parts of the body, sinking at the pit of the stomach, loss of appetite, feverishness, pimples or sores are all positive evidences of impure blood. No matter how it becomes so, it must be purified in order to obtain good health. Ayer's Blood Purifier has never failed to cure scrofulous or syphilitic poisons or any other blood diseases. It is certainly a wonderful remedy and we sell every bottle on a positive guarantee. For sale by Estes-Conn Drug Co.

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That the blood should perform its vital functions, it is absolutely necessary it should not only be pure but rich in life-giving elements. These results are best effected by the use of that well-known standard blood purifier, Ayer's Sarsaparilla.

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BUCKLEN'S ARNICA SALVE.

THE BEST SALVE in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Itch, or no pay required. It is a certain and perfect cure for all itching or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by Estes-Conn Drug Co.

At 10 we feel it is our duty to our readers, and to the public, to say that we are now in a position to give perfect satisfaction to all our customers.

Are our antagonists again at work? Does such influence extend to the post-office department? If not, why the delay in providing an efficient service, when a quick service is possible? Only a few weeks ago our business men sent to our Washington delegation a monster petition asking their cooperation with the department for an efficient railway mail service. The receipt of the petition has been acknowledged, but nothing more.

We learn from our postmaster and from the railroad company that the latter is carrying gratis a through pouch daily, that since the petition was sent the contract for carrying mail to Westport by the "Miller" has expired, and that at the earnest request of the postmaster, the railroad company has agreed to carry also this latter mail gratis for ten days, and allow the department time to make permanent arrangements. Somebody is to blame.

The parent service between the two largest cities of Oregon is intolerable.

It grows more so as a sensible travel increases, and must continue from bad to worse, so long as we depend upon a service exclusively by boats. The following reasons, which have been presented, seem sufficient to induce the department to act promptly:

1—The old price paid the O. R. & N. company, \$12.00 per year, can be reduced about one half.

2—Our present schedule of twelve hours can be reduced to four, later to three hours.

3—We will have fourteen mails each week to and from Astoria—we now have but six.

4—All eastern mail will be received and delivered one day earlier than at present.

5—A separate contract for carrying mail between Astoria and Westport, as at present, at a probable cost of \$150, is rendered unnecessary.

If there are differences between the department and the railroad company they should be promptly removed. We see no reason why this company should not receive the same compensation other companies receive for like service. Then why must our business suffer? Do not the many advantages we have set forth justify the department in giving to Astoria and to the Lower Columbia stations on the Oregon side that quick and efficient mail service to which we are entitled, and which is now possible since the completion of the railroad?

It is evident that Astoria must fight for her rights long and vigorously or our adversaries will continue to conquer.

Do you know the meaning of Schilling's Best? It means

as high grade as can be maintained without extravagance.

For sale by
Ross, Higgins & Company

There are some women who apparently enjoy being blue so much that they will be blue when they really have nothing to be blue about.

"During the hot weather last summer, I had a severe attack of cholera morbus, necessitating my leaving my business," says Mr. C. A. H. of Hare Block, Cincinnati, Ohio. "After taking two or three doses of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy I was completely relieved and in a few hours was able to resume my work in the store. I sincerely recommend it to any one afflicted with stomach or bowel trouble." For sale by Charles Rogers, druggist.

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SYRUP OF FIGS



NEVER IMITATED QUALITY.

THE EXCELLENCE OF SYRUP OF FIGS

is due not only to the originality and simplicity of the combination, but also to the care and skill with which it is manufactured by scientific processes known to the CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO. only, and we wish to impress upon all the importance of purchasing the true and original remedy. As the genuine Syrup of Figs is manufactured by the CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO. only, a knowledge of that fact will assist one in avoiding the worthless imitations manufactured by other parties. The high standing of the CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO. with the medical profession, and the satisfaction which the genuine Syrup of Figs has given to millions of families, makes the name of the Company a guaranty of the excellence of its remedy. It is far in advance of all other laxatives, as it acts on the kidneys, liver and bowels without irritating or weakening them, and it does not grip nor nauseate. In order to get its beneficial effects, please remember the name of the Company—

CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO.
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.
LOUISVILLE, KY. NEW YORK, N. Y.

SHIPPING AND MARINE



MARINE NOTES.

The Oregon, from San Francisco, arrived in Sunday.

The pilot schooner San Jose put to sea yesterday afternoon.

The British ship Helmsburg, wheat laden, put to sea Sunday.

The British steamer Draemar arrived in yesterday morning from Hong Kong and proceeded up to Portland.

The British steamer Pak Shan arrived in Sunday, two days from Nanning, in ballast, and proceeded up to Portland.

The British ship Penryn Castle, in tow of the tug Wizard, arrived in Sunday, seven days from San Francisco in ballast.

COLLISION AT SEA.

Steamer Columbia Wrecked a Schooner at Sea Near San Francisco.

The steamer Columbia arrived in port yesterday morning from San Francisco and reports having cut in twain the schooner J. E. Knapton, when about 30 miles out from the Golden Gate. The schooner is a total wreck, and is now drifting around off the California coast. Captain R. E. Whitehead of San Francisco, who was a passenger on the Columbia, tells the following story of the disaster:

"We left San Francisco about 10 o'clock, Thursday morning, the weather being very calm and the sea smooth. At 10:30, after a schooner, under full sail, suddenly came in sight out of the fog bank. She was heading off shore and made no effort to clear the Columbia's bow. The steamer regularly blew her whistle, but the schooner came on and struck the Columbia's bow, and the sailing vessel was wrecked in a few minutes.

"Meanwhile the Columbia had reduced her speed, but as the schooner was very close to us before we made her out, the steamer was still under headway when the collision came.

"The Columbia struck into the schooner's bow, and striking just about the center, although under very full headway, the steamer took a great gap in the forepart of her bow, and she rolled rapidly, while the Columbia continued on her way. There were six men on the schooner, and three of them escaped, and the Columbia, the others remaining on the disabled vessel. The schooner settled lower and lower in the water and we on the steamer thought the jury would go to the bottom. After waiting for her decks, however, she remained stationary, and some time later had been engaged in the coastwise trade. She was bound for New England to load for bark.

For Sale—Cheap, a registered Holstein bull, five years old. Apply to Captain Sale.

Situation Wanted—To do general housework. Address Mr. Astorian office.

Lost—By a veteran of the civil war, his discharge papers and pension certificate. Under will please leave at Astorian office.

Dyspepsia can be cured by using Ayer's Dyspepsia Tablets. One little tablet will give immediate relief or money refunded. Sold in handsome tin boxes at 25 cents. For sale by Estes-Conn Drug Co.

The fall of the summer girl is the monogram fan.

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It is altogether antagonistic to the general order of things, but it is absolutely true, nevertheless, that women appreciate each other's sins more than men do.

Sometimes it seems to weary woman that she must certainly give up. The simplest and easiest work becomes an almost insurmountable task. Nervousness, sleeplessness and pain harass her and life seems hardly worth the living. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription was made for her. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery was made for her. The former is for its distinctly feminine, the other for her general system. Together they supply a scientific and successful course of treatment. The "Favorite Prescription" restores healthy, regular action to the organs distinctly feminine. It forces out all impurities, strengthens the tissues, allays indigestion. The "Golden Medical Discovery" makes appetite, helps digestion, promotes assimilation, fills out the hollows in cheeks and neck with good solid flesh and brings back the gladness glow of girlhood. Send it cents in one-cent stamps to World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y., and receive Dr. Pierce's 183 page Common Sense Medical Adviser, illustrated.

There is no one who feels quite so much that the world is a perfectly open book as the sweet girl graduate. Five years from now she will admit that she was not so all-wise as she thought.

Persons troubled with diarrhoea will be interested in the experience of Mr. W. M. Bush, clerk of 1444 Dorrance, Providence, R. I. He says: "For several years I have been almost a constant sufferer from diarrhoea, the frequent attacks completely prostrating me and rendering me unfit for my duties at this hotel. About two years ago a traveling salesman kindly gave me a small bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. Much to my surprise and delight, its effects were immediate. Whenever I felt symptoms of the disease I would forthwith myself against the attack with a few doses of this valuable remedy. The result has been very satisfactory and almost complete relief from the affliction." For sale by Charles Rogers, druggist.

The steamer for Astoria has even attacked the city, and we have all sorts of contrivances devised so they can protect the passengers from the attack. For sale by Charles Rogers, druggist.

A CLEVER TRICK.

It certainly looks like it, but there is really no trick about it. Anybody can try it who has lame back and weak kidneys, malaria or nervous troubles. We can cure you with right away by taking Electric Bitters. This medicine tones up the whole system, acts as a stimulant to the liver and kidneys, is a blood purifier and nerve tonic. It cures constipation, headache, fainting spells, sleeplessness and indigestion. It is purely vegetable, a mild laxative, and restores the system to its natural vigor. Try Electric Bitters and be convinced that they are a miracle worker. Every bottle guaranteed. Only 50 cents a bottle at Estes-Conn Drug Company.

The feminine who declares that her pain is such a comfort would not find her assistant valid if her husband were dissatisfied on the subject.

Our lady has been continually troubled with cold and cholera morbus since her birth, and all that we could do for her did not seem to give more than temporary relief until we tried Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. Since giving that remedy she has not been troubled. We want to give you this testimonial as an evidence of our gratitude, not that you need it to advertise your meritorious remedy—G. M. Law, Keokuk, Iowa. For sale by Charles Rogers, druggist.

MILLIONS GIVEN AWAY.

It is certainly gratifying to the public to know of one concern in the land who are not afraid to be generous to the needy and suffering. The proprietors of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, have given away over ten million trial bottles of this great medicine, and have the satisfaction of knowing it has absolutely cured thousands of hopeless cases. Asthma, Bronchitis, Hoarseness and all diseases of the Throat, Chest and Lungs are surely cured by it. Call on Estes-Conn Drug Co. and get a trial bottle free. Regular size 50 cents and 100 cents. Every bottle guaranteed, or price refunded.

The new shirt waist feature is a shirt waist and long front, making the most comfortable sort of tabular shirt.

Sick headache absolutely and permanently cured by using Mott's Tea. A pleasant tea, which cures constipation and indigestion, makes you eat, sleep, work and happy. Satisfaction guaranteed or money back. 25 cents and 50 cents. For sale by Estes-Conn Drug Co.

A woman may tell another that she is a good mother, and she may be a good mother, but she is very careful about making this statement to any man whom she has "the ghost of a chance of getting."

Experience is the best teacher. Use Ayer's English Remedy in any case of coughs, colds or croup. Should it fail to give immediate relief money refunded. 25 cents and 50 cents. For sale by Estes-Conn Drug Co.

Many a dish under a mislabeled French name proves, upon tasting, to be only the ordinary something that we ate in our childhood, in plain English.

"I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in my family for years and always with good results," says Mr. W. B. Cooper of El Dorado. "For small children we find it especially effective." For sale by Charles Rogers, druggist.

A very swaggy belt is of narrow black leather studded with military buttons.

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Luxuriant hair, of uniform color, in a beautiful head-covering for either sex, and may be secured by using Hall's Vegetable Scented Hair Renewer.

The coming woman is not half as interesting as the present girl.

Black satin trimming on white duck suits is quite the latest thing.

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A Beautiful Present

In order to further introduce ELASTIC STARCH (Flat Iron Brand) the manufacturers, I. C. Hubinger Bros. Co. of Keokuk, Iowa, have decided to GIVE AWAY a beautiful present with each package of starch sold. These presents are in the form of

Beautiful Pastel Pictures

They are 13x10 inches in size, and are entitled as follows:



These rare pictures, four in number, by the renowned pastel artist, R. L. Roy of New York, have been chosen from the very choicest subjects in his studio and are now offered for the first time to the public. The pictures are accurately reproduced in all the colors used in the originals, and are pronounced by competent critics, works of art. Pastel pictures are the correct thing for the home, nothing surpassing them in beauty, richness of color and artistic merit. One of these pictures will be given away with each package of purchased of your grocer. It is the best laundry starch on the market, and is sold for 10 cents a package. Ask your grocer for this starch and get a beautiful picture.

All Grocers Keep Elastic Starch. Accept No Substitute.

WHITE COLLAR LINE

Columbia River and Puget Sound Navigation Company.

Steamer Halsey (Carter) leaves Astoria daily except Sunday, 2 p. m. Leaves Portland daily, except Sunday, 1 p. m.

Steamer tickets good on steamer Thompson. Thompson tickets good on Halsey.

J. B. Scott, President.
C. W. Stone, Agent, Astoria.

Through palace and tourist sleepers dining and library observation cars. ELEGANT VESTIBULE TRAINS. No. 1 Limited leaves Portland at 1 p. m. No. 1 Limited arrives Portland at 10:10 a. m.

O.R.&N.

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NORTHERN PACIFIC

THE ONLY DISINFECTED ROUTE FROM PORTLAND TO THE EAST. THE ONLY ROUTE TO THE YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK.

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