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NEW ASTORIA NOTES.

Flavel is quite lively now that the hotel is well filled with guests. J. W. Munson, who has been ill for the last month, is improving slowly. M. J. Kinney visited New Astoria Wednesday, looking after his property. Robert Gray has his building nearly completed and will soon have his billiard parlors ready. The Carley and Insko are giving a good service to the city now, and are well patronized. Horseback riding is the chief amusement at the garden. Wheels do not seem to be in favor. Mrs. David Kistler, accompanied by her friend, Mrs. Adams, is visiting relatives here this week. A. L. Flinchner, of the firm of Flinchner, Mayer & Co., Portland, called on Mrs. E. M. Sully Wednesday. Seaside is occupied by a detachment from Fort Stevens, the work there being completed for the present. Thomas Breen and Charles Myers, honorably discharged from Fort Stevens, have located at Warrenton. The United States steamer Perry lies in the river opposite Stevens and in her war paint looks very formidable. The members of the Messing crew are very proud of their surf boat, and as it is equipped with sails they do not have to resort to an ash breeze in their daily trips among the fishermen.

PROGRAM OF AMUSEMENTS FOR TODAY'S PICNIC.

Morning, from 10:30 to 11:30. 1—50-yard dash—Boys under 12 years. 2—100-yard dash—For all. 3—400-yard race to yards—For all. 4—Foot race. 5—Tug of war. Afternoon, beginning at 2 o'clock. 1—Tree climbing test—Best time. 2—Rope climbing test—Best time. 3—Butterfly race will be awarded to the winners, such as free transportation, ice cream, balls, etc. Let all bring hammocks who have them. The distance from the station to the grove is less than a quarter of a mile. The walk is a delightful one.

A CHURCH ON WHEELS.

Manager Jacques of the Baptist chapel car Emmanuel was in the city yesterday making arrangements for the coming of his national church. He expects to arrive with the car and begin a series of daily meetings about August 10. His work has been greatly blessed elsewhere.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

C. R. Higgins to J. R. Gilstrap, lot 9, block 2, lot 12, block 7, lot 11, block 15, lot 6, block 14, lot 15, block 18, lot 5, block 19, lot 8, block 17, lot 11, block 6, lot 2, block 7, lot 9, block 17, lot 9, block 15, lot 2, block 11, and lots 1 and 4, block 16, Astoria addition to Warrenton, H. 200. Harper Whiskey is rapidly becoming the national beverage. It's the one thing all parties agree upon. Republicans, Democrats, Populists. Even the "know-nothing" party knows one thing: the merits of Harper Whiskey. Sold by Ford & Stokes, Astoria, Or.

MILES GREETING RO PORTO RICANS

(Continued from first page.) creamed and replenished as rapidly as possible, and before any engagement of General Miles' forces takes place the ordinance bureau hopes to have an ample supply in the hands of the army.

SPAIN'S PEACE PROPOSAL.

Sagasta's Effort to Misrepresent Its Date Exposed by the Record. Washington, July 29.—In diplomatic quarters it is stated that the peace propositions took form in Madrid on Friday last and that not until then had the Spanish cabinet itself determined to risk a direct proposition for peace. Before that day there was doubtless more or less talk in the line of a peace proposition, but as stated, it was not finally agreed upon as the government policy of Spain. On that day Duke Amador de Rio, Spanish minister of foreign affairs, drafted his proposal to this government and it was formally agreed that it should be presented direct to President McKinley, the French ambassador at Washington acting as a medium of communication. The proposal was called to Ambassador Cambon in cipher, but before acting he advised with his government as to their wishes. In the meantime the state department received no intimation from the ambassador that Spain was about to present this peace proposition. The instructions from Paris came last Monday night, too late

for the presentation of Spain's proposal that day. On Tuesday the state department was asked to arrange a call by the ambassador on the President, and this being set for 3 o'clock, the proposal for peace for the first time was made to the United States. Until then there was not even an intimation to this government that the proposition was to be made, and that all communique of Spain's proposals for peace dates from 3 o'clock on Tuesday afternoon.

It may be also said that at no previous time had the French ambassador or any representative of the French embassy spoken on the subject of peace to any official of this government. The French government had not—and has not now—authorized any peace overtures or inquiry relating to peace, nor had the Spanish government, prior to the written communication of last Friday, reached the definite determination to sue for peace. With those facts established beyond question, the statement attributed to Premier Sagasta that we (Spain) received on peace many days ago and made known our resolutions to the United States government, is disproved with great positiveness in those diplomatic quarters having the most intelligent knowledge of the subject by way of London, which is regarded as furnishing a reason for this indirect effort to prejudice the negotiations.

MCKINLEY'S ANSWER TO SPAIN.

Not Expected That It Will Formulate Our Philippine Policy. New York, July 29.—A special to the Tribune from Washington says: Speculation on the scope and contents of President McKinley's expected reply to Spain's recent overture for peace continues active, but so far no hint has reached the public of the real character of the formal answer now in course of preparation.

It has been announced in an unofficial way that the President's note will be completed in time to be read at the cabinet meeting today, and to be presented to the French ambassador. Still, it would be by no means surprising if the delivery of the reply, unless it be merely a formal expression of the country's willingness to listen to any propositions for peace, advanced by Spain, should be postponed until next week. It seems hardly possible for the administration to formulate at present any definite scheme for the disposition of the Philippine Islands. Were the independence of Cuba, the annexation of Porto Rico, the payment of a war indemnity and the assumption or non-assumption of the Cuban debt the only questions to be dealt with, the terms on which the United States would willingly cease hostilities could be stated without hesitation or embarrassment.

But with American plans and purposes in the far east so poorly defined and so difficult of determination, the task of drawing terms on which peace between the countries may be restored in the quarter of the globe seems a most puzzling and exacting one. Indeed it may have been the ulterior motive of Spanish diplomacy in asking the United States to suggest terms of peace to force the President into a declaration of American intentions in the far east, which might be used to embarrass the United States when other powers whose apprehensions have been aroused at the prospective appearance of the United States as a new factor in far eastern politics.

With this country's campaign against the Spanish forces at Manila half ended, and with the political and military situation of the Philippine group still absolutely chaotic, the American demand has apparently nothing to gain by anticipating developments there or by exposing to the world the views it holds as to the ultimate control and government of the islands. Indeed the hope is expressed by men of all shades of opinion, that if a definite statement is made to the Spanish cabinet of the conditions which the United States deems essential to the restoration of peace, the right will be reserved by this country to deal with the Philippines in the light of the fuller knowledge which will come from the complete conquest and occupation of Manila and the whole island of Luzon.

COWS FOLLOW THE WOODSMAN.

Ceremonies Are Established at the Forest's Edge. St. Paul Pioneer-Press. When the dairy department's new report is ready in a few weeks there will be a third more black sports on it marking the presence of creameries than there were two years ago. The increase will be about 17%. There is also an increase of fifteen cheese factories though many of them are fitted for either product according to the market.

Eight creameries are reported in Minneapolis and four in St. Paul. Some of these are wholly for butter and some are milk dealers who skim the cream when they have milk left over from their routes. Nineteen woodlots of the creameries are run on the cooperative plan, where the farmers bring their milk to the creamery and divide the proceeds according to the amount of the milk, paying nothing to any middleman. The dairy business is one of the few in which co-operation has been generally successful, and it is in Minnesota, Iowa and Wisconsin that the co-operative plan has been most generally developed. Commissioner Lawrence believes the type is firmly established in the Northwest, and that it may be momentous in accustoming the farmers to co-operative methods in other departments. The map shows the spread of the dairy industry wherever there is good grazing country. Some of the counties show little increase because they were already well served two years ago. There is Freeborn, which has the most to the section of any. The largest gains are shown in Blue Earth, Sibley, Rice, Redwood, Le Sueur especially, Lake Park, Goodhue and Faribault. Then there are new districts developed, largely through the institutes and the dairy association's propaganda. Two years ago there were no creameries in Atkin; now there are four. That is just on the edge of the timber country. It is not the farthest north. At Red Lake Falls, in Polk county, the last institute took the matter up and found they could count on 60 cows, so a creamery will probably be established there. Among the line of the St. Paul & Duluth also, it has been developed that there is a fine grazing country where the Hocking fire four years ago burned off the forest. The number of customers to a creamery ranges from fifty to 140, and the number of cows varies correspondingly. Mr. Lawrence finds that the managers are not as quick in sending in their replies as he had expected. "It will be a valuable report for them," he says, "and we hope they will respond promptly, as the bulk of the information is already collected."

EMBEZZLED GOVERNMENT STORES.

Scandal at Camp Merritt Will Be Investigated by Officials. San Francisco July 28.—Quartermaster Sargent James A. Young, of the Twenti-

eth Kansas regiment, has been ordered under arrest by Colonel Finston, charged with the embezzlement of government property. He is alleged to have sold stores issued as food for the regiment. Young admits his guilt and gives the excuse that he was doing only what every other commissary officer at Camp Merritt has been doing all along. "The regimental commanders deny that such a state of things exist in their commissary departments, but the matter will be investigated at once."

MYSTERIOUS DEATH OF SMITH.

New York, July 28. After a hard fight, which lasted six hours, "Mysterious Billy Smith" was given the decision over Geo. Green, of California, at the Lenoir Athletic club tonight. Smith was the stronger and better throughout the night.

RED CROSS FUNDS.

San Francisco, July 28.—The California Red Cross society has made a statement showing that up to date \$20,465 have been received, of which \$100 is a special fund for the proposed hospital ship. When the last bill shall have been paid for the Manila hospital equipment there will be a little over \$11,000 on hand.

I'd like to go to Cadix. Just to see those winking ladies, Those winking, winking ladies, where the orange blossoms grow; With their dainty cigarettes, And their quite too sweet Mantillas— Oh, to Cadix, with its ladies, I will go.

And when our guns were booming, With a pity quite consuming I would say: "Oh, charming ladies, please to haste me now aboard. For although we humble Cadix, We don't war against the ladies, And the ladies of old Cadix need not fear the Yankee sword."

And with their cigarettes, And their all-tobacco Mantillas, I would load up every cruiser with this fascinating crew; And so by easy stages I would bring these fair hostages All these ladies of old Cadix, far across the ocean blue.

E PLURIBUS UNUM.

Not high-raised battlemen or laboring mound, Thick wall or moated gate; Not cities proud with spires and turrets crowned; Not bay and broad-armed ports, Where, laughing at the storm, rich navies ride; Not starred and spangled courts, Where low-browed baseness waits perfume to pride; No—men, high-minded men, With powers as far above dull brutes as eagles are; In forest, brake or den, As beasts excel cold rocks and crambles rude— Men who their duties know, But know their rights, and knowing dare maintain, Prevent the tyrant bold, Where'er he stands, And crush the tyrant while they rend the chain; These constitute a state; And sovereign law, that state's collected will, O'er thrones and globes elate Sits empress, crowning good, repressing ill.

A SOLDIER'S LETTER.

The bugle soon will signal "taps" Adown the ghostly line, Where twinkling through the open flaps The soldiers' candles shine. A private, like a thousand here Who also wear the blue, I ask no greater honor, dear, Than thus to write to you. Although insensate I have none— No scabbard by my side, To show the place that I have won— My breast is filled with pride, And while I seem a private mere, What other man so high? For in your heart of hearts, my dear, Leader of all am I. Therefore I covet strap nor bar That please the common herd, Mine is a brighter glory, far, By your sweet, girl, conferred. Content, a private, I appear, To those I'm much above. For I outrank them all, my dear, Since I have won your love. —Truth.

REMOISE.

It isn't the thing you do, brother, It's the thing you leave undone, Which gives you a bit of heartache, At the setting of the sun. The tender word forgotten, The lover you might have said, The flower you might have said, dear, Are your haunting ghosts tonight. The stone you might have lifted Out of a brother's way, The tender bit of counsel, You were hurried too much to say, The loving touch of the hand, brother, The gentle and winsome tone, That you had no time of thought for, With troubles enough of your own. These little acts of kindness, So easily out of mind; These chances to be angels, Which busy mortals find— To gather up the sunbeams As we journey day by day, Not scatter them—but rescue— It's the best and only way. For life is all too short, brother, And sorrow is all too great, To suffer our slow compassion That tarries until too late. And it's not the thing you do, brother, It's the thing you leave undone, Which gives you the bitter heartache, At the setting of the sun.

A CHILD ENJOYS.

The pleasant flavor, gentle action and soothing effect of Syrup of Figs, when in need of a laxative, and if the father or mother be coughy or bilious, the most gratifying results follow its use; so that it is the best family remedy known and every family should have a bottle. Manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co.

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GRAND EXCURSION AND PICNIC. The Methodist, Baptist and Congregational Sunday schools will give a picnic at Svensen's, Saturday, July 30. It is expected to make this one of the grandest excursions of the season. Arrangements have been made in the way of supplying amusements for the children and a general good time is promised. Train leaves depot at 8:40 a. m. Fare for round-trip: Adults, 35 cents; Children, 20 cents. Why shouldn't beer drinkers be arrested for blowing the top off schooners?

CASTORIA For Infants and Children. The Kind You Have Always Bought Bears the Signature of J. C. Watson.

Women are said to be running the world, but we haven't heard of their running an elevator yet.

REMARKABLE RESCUE.

Mrs. Michael Curtin, Plainfield, Ill., makes the statement, that she caught cold which settled on her lungs; she was treated for a month by her family physician, but grew worse. He told her she was a hopeless victim of consumption and that no medicine could cure her. Her druggist suggested Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption; she bought a bottle and to her delight found herself benefited from the first dose. She continued its use and after taking six bottles found herself sound and well; now does her own housework, and is as well as she ever was. Free trial bottles of this Great Discovery at Estes-Corn Drug Co. Large bottles 50 cents and \$1.

If men were only half as perfect as they think themselves this world would be away ahead of Heaven.

It is undoubtedly fly time, but when will it be "flight time" for these pests?

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Queen of the Regatta

The Managing Committee of the Regatta and Carnival desire to inform the public that arrangements have been made with the following business houses in Astoria to act as polling places for the selection of "Queen of Carnival," to-wit: Ford & Stokes Co., Groceries, Hardware, etc. William Madison, Tobaccos and Cigars, (two stores.) Herman Wise, Clothier and Hatter. C. H. Cooper, Dry Goods and Clothing. Peterson & Brown, Shoe Store. Eugene Hamblet, (The Spa), Confectionery. Griffin & Reed: Stationery and Nations. S. Danziger, Clothing and Furnishing. M. S. Copeland, (Bee Hive), Dry Goods. Estes-Corn Drug Co., Drugs, etc. Albert Dunbar, Dry Goods and Notions.

ASTORIA ANNUAL REGATTA 1898. VOTES FOR M. FOR QUEEN. Each purchaser at this store is entitled to vote at the rate of ONE vote for each 10 cent purchase; and should observe that the number representing the votes cast is properly written upon the blank to be deposited.

ASTORIA ANNUAL REGATTA 1898. VOTES FOR M. FOR QUEEN. Each person is entitled to ONE vote, by paying to this store 5 cents therefor, and should observe that the number representing the votes cast is properly written upon the blank to be deposited.

The person of whom a purchase is made, or votes are bought, will insist upon the blank ballot, the figures representing the number of votes, and the purchaser will write thereon the name of the lady, married or single, for whom it is desired to vote. The ballot, when completed, must then be deposited in the tin ballot box by the voter, in the presence of the proprietor or employe of the store. After careful consideration the Committee have decided to open the ballot boxes from time to time and announce the result of the voting. Attest: W. L. ROBB, Secretary. WM. G. GOSSLIN, President.

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