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The Spokane industrial exposition is a new name which Spokane has chosen for her annual fair. The name implies a fair of more importance, and it is the intention of the Spokane people to make this year a general exposition. It will be held October 23 to October 27th, inclusive. At this fair the exhibits of fruits, grains, grasses, roots and vegetables will be as important a feature as ever before. The exhibits will compete for the same liberal prizes, and everything will be done to make these departments all they have been in the past. In addition, a great deal more will be added. Three or four new departments will be included, which will make the fair a general industrial exposition, and will cover practically all the resources of the Pacific Northwest. There will be three times as many interesting features for visitors as ever before, and in addition to the wider scope which will be given the exhibits, the entertainment features will be as strong as that what has been had at former fairs will not compare with them.

We fail to understand why there should be so much newspaper talk about our abandoning the Philippines. Captured originally as a mere resting place by Dewey for his vessels after his auto-breakfast walkover, Manila itself became ours according to the rules and usages of civilized warfare. The whole island is now ours by treaty. The anti expansionists may with equal reason talk of throwing Idaho out of the hands of the Union because of the Wardner trouble; they might also have said the country should have been turned over to Debs when the Pullman strike was on in 1894.

It is said the czar of Russia was about to abdicate a week ago owing to the failure of his pet scheme, the peace conference. He ought to abdicate. Any man who expects to preserve the peace of the world by any other than forcible means is certainly in a condition bordering on imbecility. It is the absolute discredit of the administration that it entertained the ridiculous proposition for a moment, much less expending \$100,000 on a commission to The Hague in a project all men knew could not terminate otherwise than in failure.

Long before Oregon was heard of, long before the Dutch occupation of our colonies, the Philippines were as densely populated as they are at the present time; in their semi-civilized way the Filipinos peacefully raised sugar cane and rice long before Columbus ran ashore on that island. So that in no sense is it a new country. The American with capital may find opportunities for investment, but for the poor man it is the best country on earth to stay away from.

The soldiers of Oregon are almost to a man emphatic in opposition even to the suggestion of making natives of the Philippines citizens of the United States, although the opinion seems to prevail that American labor laws could advantageously be put in operation on the islands. As for Americans working in the Philippines, the soldiers declare that it is utterly out of the question. The heat is too intense and the climate generally too enervating.

From the tenor of the dispatches one is led to infer it is about as bad for a Spaniard to be defeated and surrender in battle as to be convicted on a criminal charge. The officers who were responsible for the surrender of Manila, while they may escape what the public prosecutor has asked for for them—imprisonment for life—are forever disgraced and humiliated simply for submitting to a defeat they could not prevent.

Let us hope the O. R. & N. will decline trackage rights to the Northern Pacific. Then the latter will benefit Southern and Eastern Washington and incidentally Portland, beyond the metropolitan wild west dreams by paralleling the O. R. & N. track on the Washington side of the Columbia. It is only a question of time when this will be done anyway, and the sooner the better.

The News wishes to be understood as taking neither side in the controversy now centering in Ordinance No. 22. While there is so much of pure town-killing spittlework on both sides, something that even large cities could do well in avoiding, we prefer to draw into our hole and remain strictly neutral.

In 1871 Germany lost 143,000 lives by smallpox. In 1874 a law was passed making vaccination obligatory in the first year. The result was that the disease almost entirely disappeared. At present the loss of life from it through out the empire is scarcely 100 a year. At the time of the Franco-German war the government had its civil population vaccinated, optionally, and its

army completely vaccinated, while the French population and army—were vaccinated perfectly. Both were attacked by smallpox, the French army losing 23,000 men and the Germans 275. In the face of such facts, all one way, which statistics of the disease are enough, it is not easy to see how the anti-vaccinationist is able to give any plausible argument. But he continues to exist, and last year in England persuaded parliament to modify the old compulsory law so far as to exempt "conscientious objectors" who went before a magistrate and took out a certificate. So many have taken advantage of this privilege that a large number of British doctors look upon it as involving a national peril, and are saying so through the medical journals.

The National Watchman says: The why governor of New York is intent upon securing the presidential candidate of his party in 1900, and Mr. McKinley will have to look well after his fences or the rough rider may throw him in the convention next year. The gold combination realizes that McKinley is losing ground because of the blunders of his administration in the conduct of the war, both here and in the Philippines, and they can be depended upon to transfer their support from Mr. McKinley to any other candidate who will offer them more assurance of success if an opportunity offers itself.

The News is in receipt of an elegant Souvenir of the Picturesque Northwest, a voluminous work issued by Pease Bros. Co., Portland, on the occasion of the coming of the National Editorial Association to that city. It is indeed a work of art. Covering as it does the whole of Oregon in its scope the work is one that should be on every center table in our state. The book, however, is not for sale, and more the pity; it was issued simply for the benefit of the editors, and to assist them in writing up the country. Pease Bros. have our thanks.

The Second Oregon regiment of volunteers is no more. The men were mustered out at the Presidio on Monday. In a few days they will be scattered all over the state and in civilian garb. Doubtless the most of them are glad it is so and that their lives were spared until they got back to their native soil.

The Transvaal question remains very much the same yet. As powerful as England is, the prospect of losing thousands of British lives in a struggle with the Boers, even if she wins, will cause a hesitancy that may endure several months more before the British lion is turned loose.

Do You Know Consumption is preventable? Science has proven that, and also that neglect is suicidal. The worst cold or cough can be cured with Shiloh's Cough and Consumption Cure. Sold on every street for over 50 years. Wasco Pharmacy.

Her Husband's Partner. "Among what are known as the laboring classes in this country, the woman is the financial head of the household, writes Frances Evans, of 'The Wife and Her Husband's Business,' in the August Ladies' Home Journal. 'The man is the wage earner; the woman the wage holder. Every mechanic who is considered a steady man hands over his wages to his wife when he is paid off. She handles the money and directs the financial interests of the entire family. The women of that class estimate a man's character by his willingness to intrust his earnings to his wife and not to her. The wife of a day laborer is compelled by necessity to be a partner in the matrimonial concern; but let the husband of one of these women rise gradually or suddenly into large means and wide business interests and you will see her little by little accustomed herself to coddling, in the form of servants and luxuries. She is no longer contented to find ways and means, while her husband takes pride in turning her into a flue lady, and so destroys the healthy partnership of former days without offering her compensation for the earlier confidence between them.'"

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"About two miles from Vassar, Mich., where I keep a drug store, lives Mrs. T. M. Pratt. She was very sick and hopeless with consumption. I watched her case with interest after she began taking Acker's English Remedy for Consumption, because I had heard much about its wonderful cures. Well, sir, perhaps you will doubt it, but with my own eyes I saw this woman get well and strong on that remedy. In a very short time the cough stopped, her lungs were healed up, the soreness went away, and she began taking in food. She herself said: 'Mr. Ballard, I owe my life to Acker's English Remedy. It is a certain cure.' In Mrs. Pratt's neighborhood her recovery has occasioned much comment, as you can easily understand. Her case was one where everybody thought it was only a question of a little while until she would die. I feel it a duty as a druggist to write this letter, so that there need be no more deaths from consumption.' (Signed) E. A. BALLARD, Vassar, Mich.

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A New Gold Dredger. A 60-ton gold dredger was loaded on four flatcars at Portland this week, to be shipped to Grant's Pass for the Canadian Company, of London, which has purchased recently 20 acres of mining ground in the Illinois valley. The ponderous machinery will be loaded on freight wagons at Grant's Pass and hauled a distance of 45 miles over State 1 creek hill, to a point between the towns of Kirby and Waldo, where a flatboat 100x30 feet is being put together for its reception. The dredger is to be in operation inside of a month, and will no doubt astonish the natives and the old sluice box miners of Southern Oregon when it begins to handle 3000 cubic yards of gravel per day. The Chinese company which had mined the bars in the Illinois river for 40 years had not dug out quite an acre, and they did not even reach bedrock in this small area. They left a pond, however, big enough to float the new dredger, which will be towed down its own way and reach down 60 feet after the pay gravel. As the powerful centrifugal pump is supposed to throw the water out of the pond when necessary, the dredge can sink itself as far down as toward bedrock as desired. This method of handling large amounts of pay dirt will, it is asserted, revolutionize placer mining in Southern Oregon, and it is confidently expected it will pay well for the \$35,000 invested in the machinery. —Ashland Tidings.

The Rev. W. B. Costley, of Stockbridge, Ga., while attending to his pastoral duties at Ellenwood, that state was attacked by cholera morbus. He says: "By chance I happened to get hold of a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and I think it was the means of saving my life. It relieved me at once." For sale by Marsh & Medler.

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Loefer, to the land in the 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st, 32nd, 33rd, 34th, 35th, 36th, 37th, 38th, 39th, 40th, 41st, 42nd, 43rd, 44th, 45th, 46th, 47th, 48th, 49th, 50th, 51st, 52nd, 53rd, 54th, 55th, 56th, 57th, 58th, 59th, 60th, 61st, 62nd, 63rd, 64th, 65th, 66th, 67th, 68th, 69th, 70th, 71st, 72nd, 73rd, 74th, 75th, 76th, 77th, 78th, 79th, 80th, 81st, 82nd, 83rd, 84th, 85th, 86th, 87th, 88th, 89th, 90th, 91st, 92nd, 93rd, 94th, 95th, 96th, 97th, 98th, 99th, 100th, 101st, 102nd, 103rd, 104th, 105th, 106th, 107th, 108th, 109th, 110th, 111th, 112th, 113th, 114th, 115th, 116th, 117th, 118th, 119th, 120th, 121st, 122nd, 123rd, 124th, 125th, 126th, 127th, 128th, 129th, 130th, 131st, 132nd, 133rd, 134th, 135th, 136th, 137th, 138th, 139th, 140th, 141st, 142nd, 143rd, 144th, 145th, 146th, 147th, 148th, 149th, 150th, 151st, 152nd, 153rd, 154th, 155th, 156th, 157th, 158th, 159th, 160th, 161st, 162nd, 163rd, 164th, 165th, 166th, 167th, 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