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## BY THE EDITOR

C. J. Howard, of Eugene, has purchased the Cottage Grove Messenger, of Horace Mann, and will conduct the same. Mr. Howard is a thorough newspaper man, and will doubtless give the people of Cottage Grove a good paper.

The county court at its last session allowed Dr. Browne's bill of \$10, which had been cut to \$2.50 at a previous meeting. This was an act of justice and equality, and the court did just right in reconsidering its former action and allowing the bill in full.

The "big show" opened up at Salem last Monday, and will last for forty days and forty nights. Let us hope that it will be a meeting of the state's greatest men, called together for the good of the people; that they will turn a deaf ear to the demands of corporate greed, and labor for the taxpayer and wealth producing classes.

Linn county is to have a new court house. It will be a new house in reality, although it will be made so by the remodeling of the old structure. Linn county has long needed more room and better accommodations for the handling of the county's business, and it is hoped that the court will see to it that interests of the taxpayers are protected in the completion of this work. This done and all will be well. All are satisfied to have the improvement made, but it must not be done for the benefit of a few at the expense of the many.

A subscriber to THE NEWS was heard to say that in reading a few issues of the average independent paper the politics of the editor could be easily guessed, but that he had read THE NEWS for some time and was at a loss to know the political color of the editor of this paper. That's just the kind of a paper we started out to run, and we are happy to know that we have succeeded so well. THE NEWS is not the mouth-piece of any political party or ring, and will not be, under our management. We reserve the right to criticize or commend the actions of any public servant or aspirant for public office.

## BY THE SCISSORS

Effort will be made in Cincinnati to prosecute the Christian Scientists to the full extent of the law for practicing medicine without a license.

The gold shipments from Australia for the year 1898 have amounted to \$44,000,000. The shipments to the United States increase by \$10,000,000.

A bill has been introduced in the Kansas Legislature to compel the Governor to sign the death warrants of fifty-nine persons convicted of murder.

A 14-year-old boy who figured as the mascot of the 11th United States Infantry at Santiago, has been brought home to Baltimore by his parents.

Thomas J. Grubb, aged 40, and Harry Roberts, aged 70, fought a duel with pocket knives at Moorstown, Cal. Grubb literally hacked his aged victim to death.

It is believed in Washington that secret enemies are endeavoring to foment trouble between the United States and the people of the Philippines and Cuba.

In April the Spanish called an American "oid" and in December "an up-start conqueror." The epithets are not polite, but they give a glimpse of history.

If the people of Utah really regret the election of Roberts to Congress they ought to have thought of it at least two months.

According to a late order from the Department of War, the first payment of the United States will be made in the Philippines district will be to pay out a few miles of marine cable.

The criminals reported to be flocking to Havana are making a mistake. They will find military government of the United States decidedly unfavorable to their operations.

Aguinaldo reconstructed his cabinet only once last week. His shadow government gives him much trouble, but collection of the best criminal prevents him from dropping it.

For several years the cry has been that there were too many railroads in the country. Now the complaint is that the business of the country is taxing the railroads far beyond their capacity.

Gen. Lawton's assignment to the Philippines is another indication that a firm position will be taken there and that officers of the best qualifications will be at hand when needed.

Senator Gray, the only Democrat on the peace commission, tells Bryan that the treaty "merely gives us control of the situation." Uncle Sam always looks after his little detail in setting up a war.

In the ordinary transaction of business in Cuba the American has to deal and ante with the peso, the louis and the alphonso. Such confusion really detracts from the interest of the game.

The New York Mail and Express asks: Why not knock off one-half of the name of Heile and let it go at that? Or must it all be kept in order to justify the names of Sing Sing and Pago Pago?

Under Dutch rule the Malay island of Java which a century ago had increased in population from 1,000,000 to over 20,000,000. Holland would have no misgivings about its ability to govern the Philippines.

Enormity of the paper industry in the United States is indicated by the fact that, for the manufacturing of wood paper pulp 2,500,000 cords of wood, cut from 625 square miles of timber are annually required.

During the year 1898 the county clerk of Lane county issued 166 marriage licenses to people in Lane county.

During the same period the circuit court of Lane county dissolved the marriage vows in 32 cases.

Admiral Dewey says that the United States should accept its responsibility in the Philippines, which have been acquired by conquest. If it should shirk its duty it would put itself back 200 years in the world's history.

An Associated Press dispatch announces the killing of a Chicago burglar but neglects to specify the particular offense for which he was slain, or to tell in what way he was different from any other citizen of Chicago.

The state tax levy of 5.7 mills is a big jump from 3 1/2 mills, due to unnecessary and extravagant legislation, and will not be appreciated by the dear people. It means an increase of over two mills, which is a large amount.

The authorities of New York are hard at work unraveling the mystery connected with the poisoning of Mrs. Kate J. Adams, who was killed by a drug supposed to be bromo seltzer, which had been sent to her nephew, Harry Cornish, as a Christmas present.

A story comes from Manila, by way of San Francisco to the effect that a Filipino who came aboard to collect a bill of admiral Dewey, was first extorted in his demands and then imprudent in his manner. On his becoming abusive, "Cousin George" gave a quiet order and the man was dropped overboard to swim ashore. And yet Dewey wants a statesman for the Philippines.

## A NEW FIELD OPENED.

### Prince Finds Sunken Island in the Atlantic Ocean.

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The discovery of a drowned island in the midst of the Atlantic ocean is an event sufficiently sensational to cause not a little excitement among "thalassographers"—as those scientists who make it their business to study the bottom of the sea call themselves.

Future charts issued by the hydrographic office at Washington will show a geological freak, with soundings in fathoms upon and around it. It is a huge volcanic mountain, which uplifts itself from the floor of the ocean nearly to the surface, the depths all about it averaging about two miles.

This drowned island is located just a little over 1000 miles due west from the Rock of Gibraltar. It is 45 miles southwest of Pico in the Azores. The shape of it, as determined by soundings, is much like that of a huge cocked hat, with the top of the hat pointing to the south. Happily, there are no other islands in the vicinity will run up, inasmuch as its highest peak is 41 fathoms beneath the surface of the sea. If it were only a little higher it would be a real island, and people would be living on it.

Nevertheless, this drowned island, which has already received the name of "Princess Alice Shoal," possesses a very practical importance and usefulness, as will be explained presently. It was discovered by no less a personage than his serene highness the prince of Monaco, who has a fail for investigating the depths of the sea, and is the most eminent of living "thalassographers," and a considerable fraction of the income derived by him from a royalty in the celebrated gambling establishment located in his dominions is spent in the pursuit of this hobby. His experiments in this direction have not only resulted in the discovery of ocean currents that have contributed some very important facts to scientific knowledge.

The prince came upon the drowned island quite unexpectedly while making soundings from his yacht, the *Princess Alice*, which he named in honor of his mother. In fact, he was in the midst of the ocean's depths, and the lead-line registered all the way from 120 fathoms to 41 fathoms in various parts of the "cocked hat" outlined by its record. The peak of the submerged mountain was found to be quite sharp, and his serene highness marked it with a couple of buoys. These buoys have already become a goal for fishermen in pursuit of their industry.

A shoal in the deep sea, be it understood, is always rich in the forms of life which inhabit it, because it is that the grand Banks are such profitable fishing grounds for cod and halibut. It is not surprising, therefore, to learn that the newly-discovered drowned island has already become a Mecca for the toilers of the sea, who sail over it from the Azores. They are making it a rich harvest, and for all time to come it promises to yield a great annual crop of marine wealth.

Princess Alice shoal is situated on the northeastern edge of the Sargasso sea—that wonderful collection of aquatic plants in the midst of the Atlantic which grows and reproduces their kind while floating on the surface of the water, upheld by their own air-filled bulbs. In calm weather the vast area covered by this strange vegetation looks like a drowned meadow, but during storms the plants are scattered and the Sargasso sea is indicated in an eddy of the great circulating stream of the Atlantic, so that the waters there are nearly stationary, having no strong current. Hence the accumulation of plant life, as in a still pond.

The aquatic vegetation of the Sargasso sea teems with multitudinous forms of life, but not least interesting of the myriad creatures which inhabit it are certain curious nest-building fishes. They have arm-like fore fins with which they cling to the weed, making their nests by binding together the thick, spongy, and elastic branches of the globular masses of it as they do Dutch cheeses. This they accomplish by means of long gelatinous strings, which they form for the purpose, finally depositing their eggs in the center of the sphere thus composed. These are transparent cuttlefish, transparent shrimps, and transparent worms in the weed. One can see through them as if they were made of glass.

Shrimps and crabs also abound, and they, as well as the fishes, are spotted yellow and white, like the weed itself. This, of course, is one of nature's protective disguises.—Philadelphia Press.

## How to Prevent Pneumonia.

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The tendency of the times—big fish eating little fish—is well illustrated by the consolidation of eight Boston banks. It is only a question of time when the example set by Boston will be followed in other cities. The consolidation and absorption will doubtless go on, but when in the end all absorbable is absorbed and the progress of amalgamation begins on the big concerns what an awful crash will come then! Thirty years ago a house in London which had absorbed nearly every thing outside the bank of England, went to the wall, and depositors with Overend, Gurney & Co. lost over \$50,000,000.

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