
$\mathbf{V}^{\text {ERY soon the United States will have enough battle- }}$ ships to maintain on the Pacific, as well as on the antic, a fleet of no mean proportions. Since the voyage of the fleet around the world a number of the older battleships have dropped out and given place to a new
ones. The Nebraska and Wisconsin were added before ones. The Nebraska and Wisconsin were added before
the journey was completed. Since then the New Hampshire, Mississippi and South Carolina have taken their
places in the line. The Delaware and North Dakota have places in the line. The Delaware and North Dakota have
just been commissioned. The Florida is about to be launched at the navy yard at New. York and will be fol-
lowed in a short time by the Utah. When the Arkansas lowed in a short time by the Utah. When the Arkansas
and the $W$ yoming, now building, are completed, and the two battleships which will probably be provided for by
the present congress slide from the ways for the finishing the present congress side from the ways for the finishing
touches, there will be but few ships of the original fleet which went around the world left in the first line.
Before the end of the present year it will be
Before the end of the present year it will be possible
place in commission a fleet of twelve battleships on to place in commission a fleet of twelve battleships on
the Pacific without touching the sixteen battleships o the Atlantic fleet. They are the Missouri, Alabama, Ohi ships dating from the Spanish-American war-the Indiana, wassachusetts, oreound the world and are still first-class fighting ships. Altogether they would constitute a force of such strength that no fleet, after crossing the Pacific, could at
tack them with impunity or take any chance with them. What to do with these ships is one of the questions that is beginning to perplex the navy department. They are
far to valuable to be discarded or allowed to deteriorate, although none of them is a match for the huge Dreadnaughts which the navies of the world are now building,
When the newer ships go into commission, it will hardly be an advantage to keep them on the Atlantic coast, which is becoming better defended every day in the way of ships,
coast artillery fortifications and submarines. The advan coast artillery fortifications and submarines. The advan-
tage of establishing a battleship fleet in the Pacific, on the contrary, is obvious, and will, within a very few years,
become still more obvious, as the trade of the orient develops and the competition for that trade becomes more
keen. The question, therefore, of sending the ships to the Pacific is one of serious consideration with the depart
The Pacific is just now the field of political interest. The splendid isolation of the United States so far as the Atlantic is concerned does not apply to the Pacific. In the past the Atlantic coast was not likely to attract any fleets but those of merchantmen seeking the products which the
United States had to offer. That condition no longer preUnils, and the United States, now overflowing with capital and bulging with the products of its fatcories, must seek out new markets in the awakening east. The complications
that have arisen in the struggle with other nations are already disconcerting. Japan already has a strangle hold in Manchuria to the injury of American and other trade. ships needed to counterbalance the embryo navy now benot to mention others, it is very probable that the Pacific battleship fleet is only a few years at most from realizabattles
tion.

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