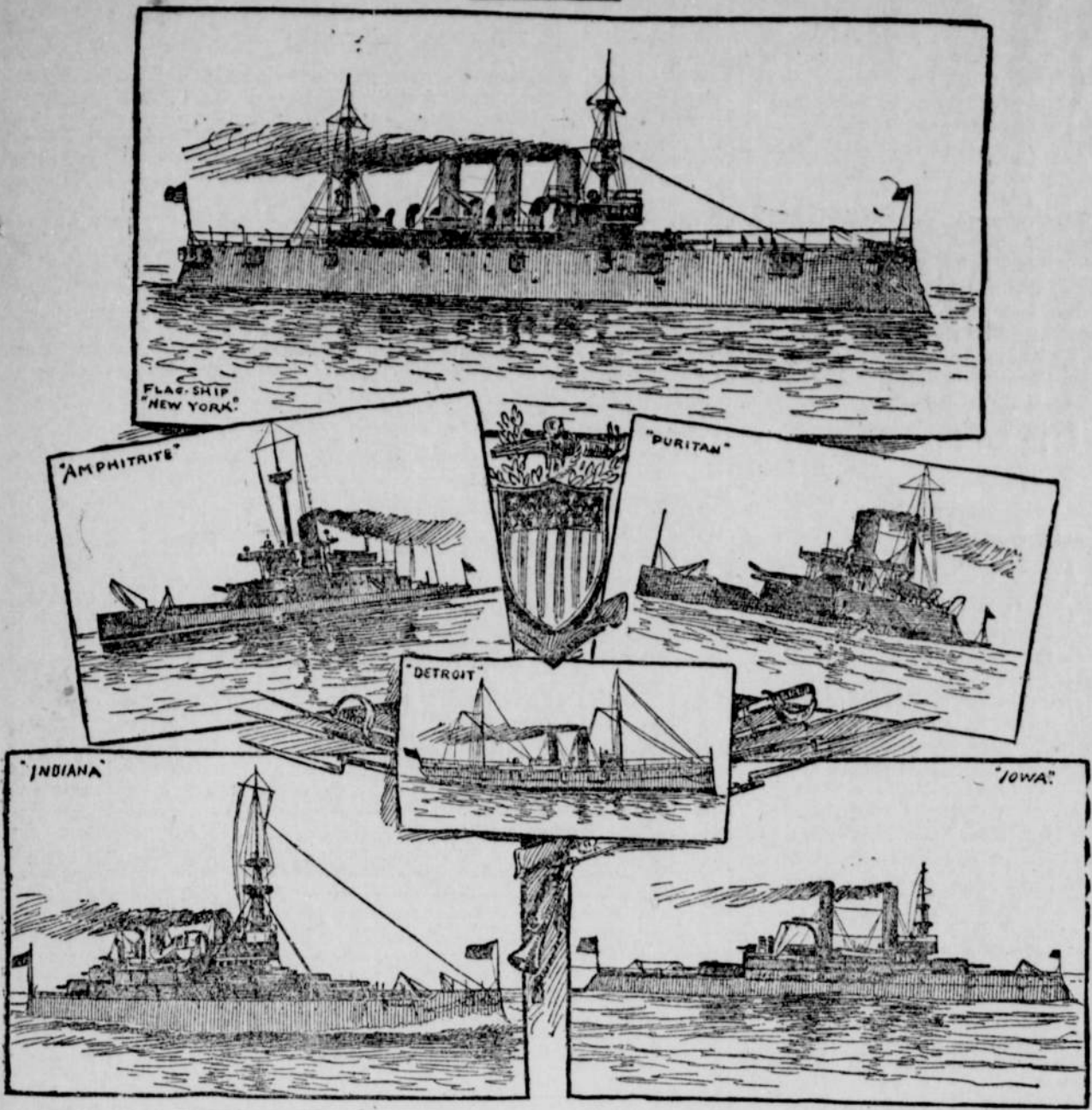


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A FIGHTING COMMANDER.
Dewey, the Hero of Manila, Has Seen Hard Service.

In his sixty-one years of life Admiral George Dewey, the hero of Manila, has seen a great deal of red hot fighting. He was born among the green hills of Vermont and received his appointment to the Naval Academy at the age of 17. When he graduated in 1858 he went with the steam frigate Wabash on a cruise in Mediterranean waters. When Fort Sumter was fired upon Dewey was promoted from ensign to lieutenant and assigned to the steam sloop Mississippi, which was to take part in the fierce fighting of the West Gulf squadron. The Mississippi was a side wheeler of seventeen guns, and was commanded by Commander Melancthon Smith. The West Gulf squadron went at once to the Mississippi River to force its way up. The "History of Our Navy" thus describes the

left. Admiral Porter singled him out for special praise.

In July, 1863, Dewey was on the gunboats that engaged the Confederates below Donaldsonville. In 1864 he was attached to the North Atlantic blockading squadron, assigned to the steam gunboat Agawam. The Agawam was one of the great crescent of warships, big and little, that plumped shot into Fort Fisher in December, 1864, and January, 1865. Dewey received his commission as lieutenant commander on March 3, 1865, and served for two years on the European squadron, first on the steamer Kearsarge and then on the frigate Colorado, the flagship. In 1868 he was assigned to duty at the Naval Academy. In 1870 he received his first command, that of the Narragansett, which was employed on special service until 1875.

The Pacific survey of 1872-75 was entrusted to him. After two years as lighthouse inspector and five as sec-

THE ORIGIN OF PORCELAIN.
Invented by the Chinese; Perfected by Japanese, Named by Portuguese.

Frank H. Vizetelly, in "A Chat About China" in the Woman's Home Companion, writes interestingly of the introduction of the porcelain into Europe:

"The word porcelain, as applied to china pottery, originated in Japan during the thirteenth century. The Chinese, the pioneers in the art of porcelain manufacture, began to make it nearly two centuries before the Christian era, and so careful were they to guard the secret of the art that nearly fifteen centuries lapsed before their neighbors, the Japanese, got any inkling of it. But once in their possession, the wily Japanese lost no time to profit by their knowledge. The few intrepid navigators of those days brought samples of both Chinese and Japanese ware to Europe, but not until early in the sixteenth century did a trade in it of any extent take place. Among the early importers were Portuguese traders who had settled on the Japanese coast, and to them, it is claimed, we owe the word porcelain, derived from the Portuguese porcellana, or sucking pig. When the Portuguese traders first saw pieces of Japanese ware they were struck with its translucence, which somewhat resembled that of the cowry shell. The cowry shell, in turn, resembled in shape a small sucking pig, or porcellana; hence our 'porcelain.'"



ACTING ADMIRAL DEWEY.

sort of things the men on the Mississippi experienced when they preceded Farragut up past New Orleans:

"The Pensacola and the Mississippi steamed slowly, with their black hulls at regular intervals sheeting the air with lurid fire as they replied to the forts. Abreast of St. Phillip, where the Confederate fire was hottest, they drew in so close that the gunners afloat and ashore heartily cursed each other as they worked."

The Mississippi was with the squadron again when it ran down past New Orleans on the way back, fair targets for the nineteen big guns at close range.

The hardest fight that the Mississippi ever was in was the one that ended her. The fleet was trying to run by Fort Hudson with its powerful batteries. None of the squadron got by. The Mississippi ran aground in the fog and smoke and stuck hard and fast. In thirty minutes she was shot full of holes. Her crew climbed into boats on the side opposite the forts, and after setting her on fire, made for the other side of the river under a withering rifle fire. Upon this occasion Lieut. Dewey struck his guns until the last and he did not quit the ship until all others had

tary of the Lighthouse Board he was put in command of the Juniata on the Asiatic squadron in 1882. In September, 1884, he was promoted to be a captain and placed in command of the Dolphin, then brand new, and one of the four vessels to which the name "white squadron" was first given. From 1885 to 1888 he was the commander of the Pensacola, the flagship of the European squadron. In 1888 his energy and ability to complete matters of detail was recognized by making his chief of the bureau of equipment and recruiting, which carried with it the rank of commodore.

In May, 1893, he took another turn on duty as a member of the Lighthouse Board. He was made an actual commodore on Feb. 26, 1896, and was at about that time put at the head of the important Board of Inspection and Survey. He was transferred to the command of the Asiatic squadron Jan. 1, 1898.

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Development of the Transvaal.
In 1892 the main trunk line from Cape Town was pushed forward from its then northern terminus to Johannesburg. The distance from Cape Town to Johannesburg by rail is 1,013 miles. In 1894 the road was completed from Delagoa Bay, a port in Portuguese territory on the southeast coast of Africa, to Johannesburg—a distance of 377 miles. The third road reached Johannesburg a year later, from Durban, a port in the British colony of Natal, distant 483 miles.

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The town of Johannesburg may be taken as a good index of the wonderful expansion of the gold-mining industry of the district. From a few huts in 1886, it has developed into a town unexcelled, if indeed equaled, in the imposing character of its buildings by any of the enterprising mining towns in Western America. Indeed, Johannesburg has but little of the aspect of an American mining camp. In its general appearance it reminds an American more of Spokane or Salt Lake City.—John Hays Hammond, in the Engineering Magazine.

Pretty Japanese Custom.
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Popular songs are often so popular that they become unpopular.

When it comes to jealousy and crowing a man is superior to a rooster.

A war artist is always successful, even though his battles are drawn.

A jolly good fellow is hardly ever classed synonymously with a first-class financier.

When a man boasts of having money to burn he will soon have ashes to throw away.

Only a small portion of the world loves a lever; the rest of it considers him a chump.

A bachelor as a rule is the acme of selfishness, and happy is the woman that fails to get him.

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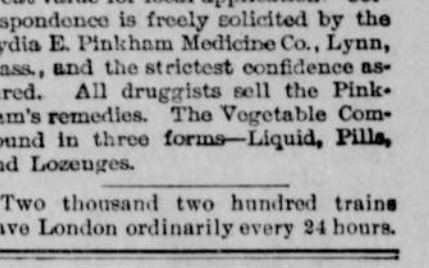
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