

UNCLE SAM'S NAVY.

Something About the Service That Produces Such Fighters as Dewey and Farragut.

ITS REQUIREMENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES.



During the past few years much has appeared in the public prints about our Navy; however, but little has been said about the routine life aboard ship and the duties of the man behind the gun and furnace.

risen to the grades of seamen, and petty officers within a couple of years. The pay of landsman is \$16 a month and from that it goes upward.



and many smaller ones, and her crew will consist of about 800 men—just to think that it takes a whole regiment to man one of these magnificent ships of war.

the minimum height is five feet four inches, and a man of that height must weigh 128 lbs. and measure 33 inches around the chest.

board ship; for instance, machinists familiarize themselves with marine engines and boilers; carpenters with boat building, etc.

After gaining a fair knowledge of naval requirements, the recruit is transferred to a cruising man-of-war and becomes a full fledged man-of-war's man.

Also, ships of the first class usually carry bands of sixteen pieces, and there is a concert every evening except Sunday.

It does not do, however, to suppose that life in the Navy is all play. A sailor has his hard work and privations as well as any one else.

Many young men want to join the Navy, but do not know how to go about it. It is only necessary to write to the Bureau of Navigation, Navy Department, Washington, D. C., and the necessary information will be given by the officials there.

There is a branch of the Navy which is of particular interest to boys and this is the Naval Training Station, at Newport, Rhode Island, where boys between the ages of 15 and 18 are received as apprentices, and taught in all branches of the naval seaman's trade.

A boy serves at the Training Station about a year, when he is promoted to a second class apprentice and sent to a training ship, where his nautical education is completed; and then he is transferred to a regular man-of-war.

Only boys of good character are enlisted, and the Navy Department is very strict in its requirements on this score—a bad boy is promptly dismissed from the service as undesirable.

After transfer to a sea-going man-of-war, a boy can easily attain the rate of first-class apprentice, and, if diligent and attentive, he is eligible for promotion to coxswain.

Attached to the Training Station, for seamanship drills, is the famous old frigate Constellation, a full rigged ship, which has won many a hand to hand fight, especially during the war of 1812.

Dr. Jennie Nicholson Browne has passed an examination in medicine by the Maryland state board with an average of 92% per cent. She is medical examiner for the Baltimore board of charities, also for the Woman's Catholic Benevolent legion of the state and professor of psychology at the Woman's Medical college of Baltimore.

According to His Holiness. A young Japanese compositor employed on a Japanese paper hardly a stone's throw from the Mail and Express building was riding down town in a city hall train the other morning.

Our Queer Town Names. "You have such strange names for your towns over here," said a titled Englishman.

He Feels Good. Caddo, Ky., July 20th.—"I believe I could climb a mountain without drawing a long breath, is the way William Ball, of this place, describes how he is feeling."

Discovery in Harmony. Mamma—Gladys, you were rude and indifferent to several people last night. Gladys—Yes, mamma; I've decided that it isn't worth while to have manners if your clothes don't fit.—Detroit Free Press.

The Thousand Islands. There may be somewhere on the earth a more delightful region than that of the Thousand Islands, but if there is, it has not been discovered.

Sponser—"Has your fortune ever been told?" Aurelia—"No; but papa will tell you if you have really serious intentions."—Comic Cuts.

It is easier to be forgotten than to forget. —Ram's Horn. The Overland Limited, solid train Chicago to the Coast daily. Chicago, Union Pacific & North-Western Line.

THE MARKETS. New York, July 25, 1903. Flour—Fairly active and steady. Wheat—No. 2 red 80 3/4c.

Toledo, July 25. — Wheat — Cash 70 1/4c. Corn—July 59 1/4c. Oats—July 35 1/4c. Cloverseed—October \$5.40.

East Buffalo, July 25. — Cattle — Choice steers \$5.10@5.50, veals \$7.00@7.25. Hogs — Yorkers \$6.35@6.40, pigs \$6.50.

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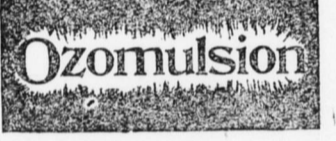
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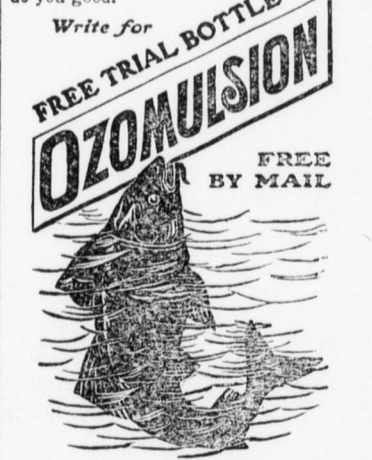
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