

# Sea Fights, Ancient and Modern, That Have Made History

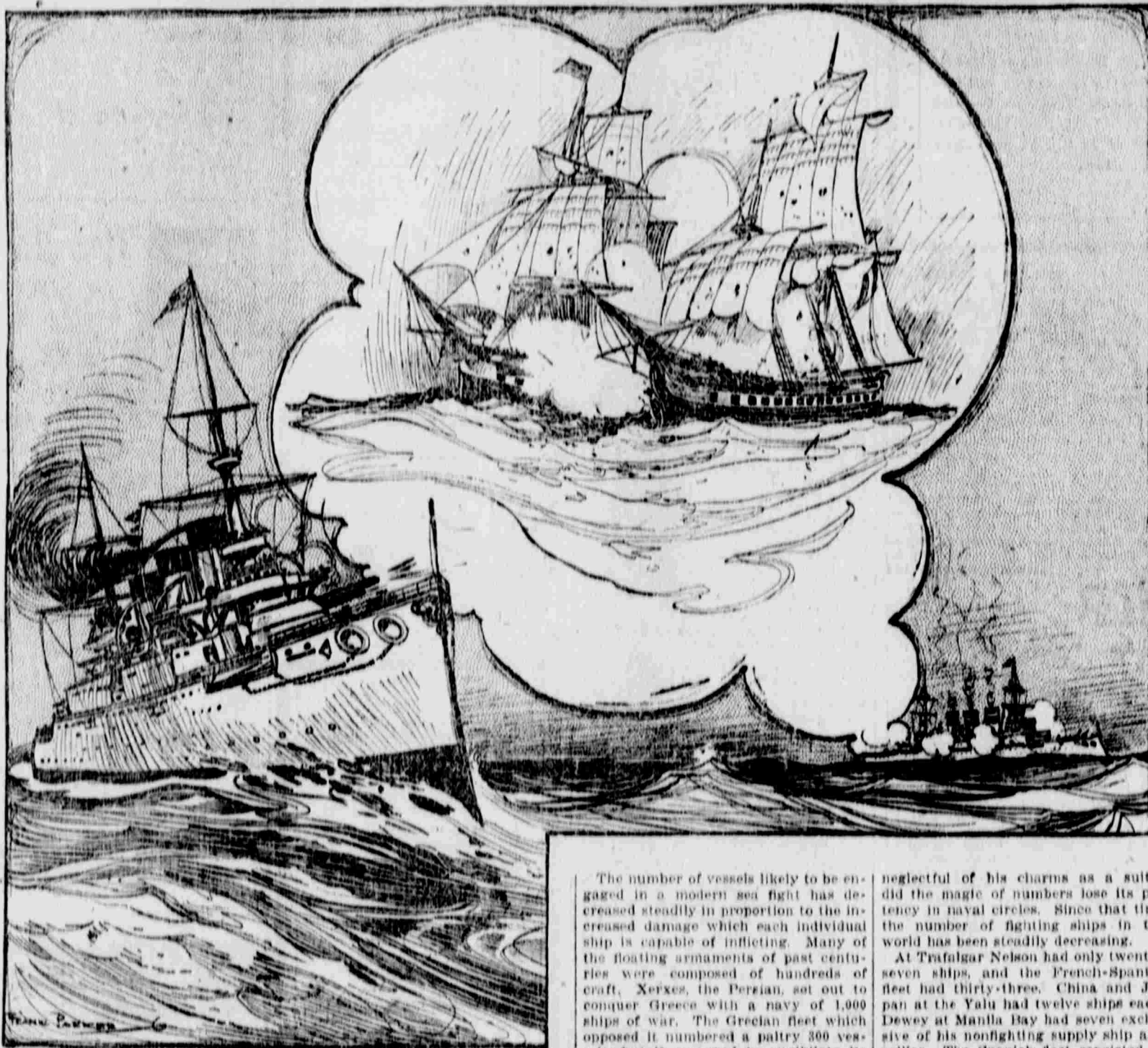
THE resumption of naval activity in east Asian waters after the temporary lull in maritime hostilities brought about by the practical annihilation of the first great Russian fleet by the Japanese navy once more transferred the center of interest in the present campaign from Manchuria to the China sea.

Contrary to public expectation, the Russian admiralty assembled a new fleet which in point of numbers and equipment was rather superior to the available naval armament of the enemy. In effectiveness, however, the force commanded by the redoubtable Admiral Togo was conceded by naval experts to be more than a match for the Russian fleet. The sailing of this second Muscovite fleet from its battle sea base in the autumn of last year had been the occasion of much speculation. Grave doubts were expressed in well informed quarters as to its ability to make its avowed destination. Its actual objective point was known only to the Russian admiralty.

The departure of the fleet from its battle port seemed strangely inauspicious. Great haste had been shown in its preparation. It was predicted freely that the unseaworthiness of some of its vessels invited disaster. There were croakers in Cronstadt who declared that it would return within a fortnight. The blundering North sea incident seemed to confirm the prevalent belief that no good could come of the venture. The Russian intention, whatever it might prove to be, was declared to be absurd, chimerical and wholly insincere.

Recently, however, after nearly half a year of rather featureless and often erratic sailing, this discredited fleet appeared at the entrance to the China sea and thence proceeded northward. Again contrary to public anticipation, the drifting Russians were un molested on their slow way eastward. The wily Togo, his firm and capable hand still shaping the naval destiny of the island empire, his acute mentality ever on the alert, made no show of intercepting the slowly advancing menace. Immersed in the magnitude of their land operations, the Japanese ignored the armada which was on the way to avenge the humiliation of Port Arthur. It was even suffered to be rumored abroad that a naval demonstration against Vladivostok was contemplated. The Japanese national insouciance was so pronounced that the whole world shared it. The Russian instance seemed indefensible.

Not until the present Russo-Japanese eastern struggle has naval science been given an opportunity to dominate all other forms of warfare. Even the superiority of the floating armament, to maintain Spanish dominion in the West Indies the naval demonstrations incident to the Spanish-American difficulty were absurdly indefinite. Admiral Dewey's admirable promptness at Ma-



THE OLD AND THE NEW STYLES OF SEA FIGHTING.

nila was in many respects the most splendid naval picture of the century, but the battle of the Yalu was the actual forerunner of the present style of battleship warfare. Until the tremen-

dous sea fighting which resulted in the destruction of the Russian fleet at Port Arthur, the Yalu and Manila were the three great naval contests of the century.

The number of vessels likely to be engaged in a modern sea fight has decreased steadily in proportion to the increased damage which each individual ship is capable of inflicting. Many of the floating armaments of past centuries were composed of hundreds of craft. Xerxes, the Persian, set out to conquer Greece with a navy of 1,000 ships of war. The Grecian fleet which opposed it numbered a paltry 300 vessels, but it managed to annihilate its more numerous enemy. For fifteen centuries after the birth of the Christian era numbers constituted the most essential feature of naval equipment. Not until 1588, when Philip of Spain assembled his great armada and sailed away on his mission to make Elizabeth of England sorry that she had been so

neglectful of his charms as a sailor did the magic of numbers lose its potency in naval circles. Since that time the number of fighting ships in the world has been steadily decreasing. At Trafalgar Nelson had only twenty-seven ships, and the French-Spanish fleet had thirty-three. China and Japan at the Yalu had twelve ships each. Dewey at Manila Bay had seven exclusive of his nonfighting supply ship and collier. The Spanish fleet consisted of nine vessels. At Trafalgar, Nelson's fleet had thirty-three ships, and the Yalu modern armored steam vessels mounting breechloading guns and provided with torpedoes and rapid fire guns were the rule. At Manila Bay heavier guns, more effective rapid fire

guns and high pressure engines distinguished the attacking force, while mines and shore batteries added strength to a fleet of comparatively up-to-date warships.

Previous to Trafalgar naval victories that meant the actual fate of nations were exceedingly few. It is a fact that until then most vital international differences had been settled in the field. Napoleon realized that he was subject to continual annoyance and possible overthrow as long as the power of England remained unbroken. He resolved to crush it, and to that end he formed a naval coalition with as many continental powers as had ships of war. Thirty-three fighting ships were all that he could muster. One of the Spanish Santissima Trinidad, was the largest warship then afloat. Nelson, the English admiral who had already been such a thorn in the side of the Corsican, had fourteen vessels besides his flagship, the Victory. Collingwood, his second in command, also had fourteen ships. The enemy drew up in the regulation fashion of the day—a line presenting a long, unbroken succession of broadsides. The lack of wind and inferior skill destroyed their formation, and Nelson and his colleague stampeded them and then dealt with them individually.

At the Yalu single ship combats were frequent. The Japanese had an even dozen ships, and the Chinese had an equal number. While none of the Japanese vessels was under 1,500 tons, four of the Celestial craft were mere gunboats. It did not take many minutes to show the pitiful incapacity of the Chinese squadron. One ship was sunk and two were disabled. The Japanese were practically unharmed.

In single combat American ships hold an enviable record. The marvels of sea fighting done by American vessels in the early days of the republic seem more like clever inventions of the fictionist than reality. It was reserved for Admiral Dewey at Manila Bay to demonstrate to the world that the American supremacy on the sea had not been suffered to go by default.

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## POLITE SWEDES.

The Swedes are a quiet people. There is no jostling even among the lowest classes. When a train leaves a platform or a steamboat pier the passengers lift their hats to the departing passengers and bow to them, a compliment that is returned by the passengers. You are expected to lift your hat to the shabbiest person you meet in the street, and to enter a shop, office or bank with the hat on is considered a bad breach of good manners. In retreating from a restaurant you are expected to bow to the occupants. Bowing and hat lifting are so common that the people seem to move around more slowly than elsewhere in order to observe the courtesy.

## AN ALMOST OBSOLETE FORM OF PUNISHMENT.

The picture illustrates a form of punishment which formerly was held in high repute, but which is now practically abolished by civilized nations. The diminutive commonwealth of Delaware has long possessed the distinction of being the last state in the Union to retain these twin relics of barbarism, the



whipping post and pillory. Governor Lee of that state has recently signed a bill abolishing the latter penal institution. Until about fifteen years ago the laws of Delaware provided not only for the punishment of men at the whipping post, but also of women. The offenses for which women could be whipped publicly included "conjugation, which, craft, fortune telling and legering with spirits." The date of the last white woman's punishment at the post was 1876. Colored women were whipped publicly until 1870.

## LIVE AMONG THE DEAD.

Away up in the northernmost part of northern China is a town composed entirely of graves. The place is as matter of fact, a deserted burial ground and has been taken possession of by a band of beggars, thieves and outcasts of all descriptions, who eat and sleep well in spite of their strange environment. There are several of these "towns among the tombs" in various parts of the Chinese empire, but the one mentioned is the most extensive.

## DEEPEST LAKE.

During a survey of the Scottish lakes a depth of 1,017 feet has been reached in Loch Moray. This proves to be the deepest lake in the United Kingdom. Only seven deeper lakes are known in Europe, four being in Norway and three in Italy.

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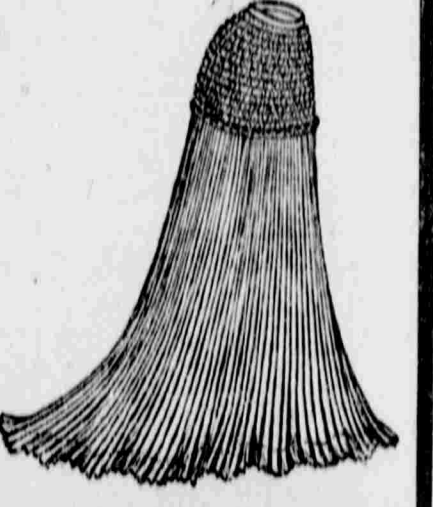
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