

The Salmon Fishers Of the Columbia River

A Day With the Plain People and the Magnificent Scenery.

(By G. A. Martin.) The Dalles, Ore., Oct. 25.—Down two blocks and turn to the right. There is a saloon on each corner.

This is the direction a native or at least a present resident, of this town gave in response to an inquiry as to how to reach the railroad station.

The Dalles is the one town in the country of which I know that can show more boozing opportunities to a population than El Paso. It is a river town and a fish market, and boatmen and fishermen evidently like their dram.

The Salmon Fisheries. The Dalles came into being principally because of its location in the heart of the salmon fishing industry of the Columbia river, nearly 100 miles from Portland, upstream, and as a place where tourists generally get off the boats to go back to Portland.

The Fisher Folk. As an example of the class of people who make the town what it is, the character of the majority of the passengers on the boat from Portland up the Columbia illustrates it best.

Hardly is the boat under way from the docks at Portland until there are a dozen card frames in progress in the forward cabin and those who are not playing cards are telling smutty stories or exchanging the recognition signs of some fraternal order.

Directly Ira Smith this is not an actual name, but an assumed one—comes from a card table, shouts loudly that he can whip Ira Smith and begins to pull off his overcoat and invite his partner—mind you, the man who is playing with him at the table, to place two—to get off the boat at the next dock and fight. Ira then relates for the delectation of all the occupants of the stuffy, smoke-filled, whisky-smelling cabin that he is going to Colorado Springs to go into a sanitarium for consumptives; that he is leaving a wife and child back in a lumber camp in Oregon; that his old mother is back in the other cabin, going as far as the Dalles with him; that he never does no harm to nobody—wouldn't even

scab on the longshoremen down in Portland, though he did not always sympathize with unions; had "grewed up" in Oregon and had never been east of Spokane, but no could say he could whip him.

A little short fellow wearing a big pearl ax on his coat lapel and a big cud of tobacco in his jaw, meanders in and declares he is a "neighbor," which means a lodge brother, and that he is ready to help Ira. Ira, big and tall and built like an ox, but with the thin neck that gives proof of what he has said about tubercular affliction, smiles as he towers over the table and pauses to let his words soak in on the other card players and story tellers, who have ceased to talk and are watching.

The Little Mother. Back in the rear cabin is Ira's aged mother with her little "companion" full of cookies. A "companion" is about a fourth cousin to the handbag of today, is generally made of brown oilcloth, almost square in shape, though a little oblong, and has a bright, shiny tin design on one side. Thirty years ago backwoods country women and sometimes others not so backwoods, used these; up here among the rural people and the fishermen's families they are still in vogue. Ira's mother nibbles her cookies, wipes a tear from her wrinkled face, and relates to another woman her own age, with a big, gawky, 20-year-old pimply-faced daughter, how Ira is going to the sanitarium.

The Secenery. The wonderful beauty of the Columbia river scenery repays for all the discomforts of the voyage and the tedium of the progress in the Dalles satisfied, but glad it is over. You pass famous old Mount Hood with its snow-covered peak and sides glistening in the sun, as far as you can see for the clouds—when the day is clear, the entire peak towers above you in majestic splendor. The cliffs on the Oregon side and the wonderful valleys and mountains on the Washington side of the famous salmon stream form a kaleidoscopic picture that is unequalled for beauty in places the bluffs and crags rise several hundred feet above the water; cataracts tumble over the sides of these, glistening at a distance like silver threads, and in the foreground, sparkling conifers cling into the great stream and flow into the Pacific. Here and there a little village in the mountains, a cannery on the bank or a sawmill or rock quarry call for a boat stop and the natives all come down to see and be seen. Frequently a fisherman's

launch or sailboat is passed and steamers pass each other several times a day, always close enough for the passengers and officers to exchange pleasantries. Trains pass frequently, for the Northern Pacific runs on the northern bank and the Southern Pacific (O. R. & N. Co. line) on the south, both close to the water's edge on the only possible spot for a railway line to get through the country.

Salmon traps—huge wheels set alongside the bank, which turn by the power of the water and dip up the fish and toss them on the banks—are everywhere and of interest and then the Cascade locks by which the boats are raised and lowered over Cascade rap-

PLEASURES AS WELL AS WORK AWAIT VISITING PHYSICIANS

Program for Joint Meeting of Medics Arranged and Many Entertainments Are Planned.

Thursday morning at 9 a. m. the American doctors in Mexico, in conjunction with the El Paso County Medical society, will open their annual meeting and reunion at the Elks' club. The meeting will be a joint one held by the International Medical association of Mexico and the El Paso county society.

A program of entertainment has been arranged which includes a general reception and luncheon at the Elks' club, Thursday evening, an auto ride and theater party for the wives of the visiting physicians. Friday afternoon and evening, a smoker and entertainment for the men at the Elks' club, and a dance at the Country club Saturday evening.

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the phenomenal marksmanship of champion Johnny Baker, or the most impressive of all historical reproductions, The Battle of Summit Springs, and then—wouldn't that be one's money's worth? And yet it's not half over. The Far East contributes a riot of color, a pageantry of grand spectacles. A fine tooth comb has been drawn through the arid Occidental and Oriental countries in search of talent—the effort being rewarded with a most remarkable array of entertaining and educational features. Russia, Greece, Japan, Egypt, Hindostan, Arabia, and a hundred more climes have its representatives under the Far East banner this season. There are Whirling Dervishes, the oddest of creatures; the Cingalese in weird dances; Manu sends his dog eaters; there are Hindoo miracle workers, fire dancers and an almost endless list of the world's most wonderful novelties.

And surely with all this one would be more than satisfied—but there is another feature more important to the millions who love and revere Col. W. F. Cody (Buffalo Bill). It is a feature that appeals to the sentiment possibly more than any other incident in the career of any show since the inception of amusement enterprises. When you see the dashing, handsome Buffalo Bill make his final salute—the one that closes the entertainment and has done so for 30 years to millions of plaudt-giving and cheering admirers, you may cherish the memory this time—it will be the final.

Col. Cody is to retire to a well-earned rest. His visit to this city Saturday, October 29 will be his farewell, and thousands will clamor for admission as they have in every other city for a parting and final good-bye to the hero of Indian wars and the nation's hero.—Adv.

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Mrs. P. W. Dunn, society editor of the Texico Triangler for a number of years, died at her home in that city after an illness of a few weeks. Services were conducted at the Methodist church, of which she was a member, and the remains interred in the cemetery in Texico.

The Washington club which was recently organized with a membership of more than 50 of the business and professional men of the city, gave a delightful dance at the chamber of commerce rooms. Almost all of the members were present accompanied by their wives and friends.

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