

American boy, but I have never experienced any sport that was as exciting, exhilarating, or so devilish spicy as surf-riding.

We left Honolulu just at dawn, on the morning of Sept. 27th, and I know that we were all sorry to leave this seemingly enchanted place, to whose seductive charms we had all become willing captives.

FRIDAY, Oct. 11th.

Since leaving Honolulu the time has been passed quite pleasantly and various amusements have served to break the monotony. Every day a pool is formed on the day's run in which most of the passengers take part and the numbers are all auctioned off to the highest bidder. Our lowest day's run has been 259 miles, and the highest 283. We have issued a paper called the "Warren Wasp," which consisted of twelve typewritten legal-cap pages, and to which we all contributed some matter. Of course everything referred to our daily life here on board and was full of local jokes and hits which you would not appreciate. When we passed the 180th meridian our calendar was set ahead one day and it was quite curious to see the notice which was posted up and read as follows: "Notice.—Thursday, Oct. 1. Tomorrow will be Saturday, Oct. 3d." As usual, this was a cinch for the joker, and as a result of his work some of the ladies sat out on deck until long after midnight looking for the meridian, which they had been told could be distinguished by a string of lanterns placed in a line. Yesterday we passed land in the shape of a single lone volcano rising right out of the ocean to a height of 1,000 feet. It was quite a sight and a very welcome one, even though so bare and rocky, after seeing nothing but water for two weeks.

We have had two or three hard blows since leaving Honolulu and a good many were again seasick, but instead of receiving pity they were subjected to all sorts of ridicule, and every time a fellow would lean over the rail we would all slap him on the back and tell him to go to it. Cruel, wasn't it? Every morning when the sailors are scrubbing down decks about five o'clock, I jump out of my bunk and have them turn the hose on me. It feels fine and the salt water is very refreshing, although in these latitudes it has a temperature of about 80 degrees. After the hose bath, I generally go back of our cabin to the stern part of the boat and sit in my pajamas until it is time to dress for breakfast. As our course is almost due west, of course the sun rises directly in our rear, and so I sit in my pajamas and while sipping my coffee and puffing a cigarette, gaze upon the most beautiful dawn and sunrises that one could possibly imagine. It is certainly very enchanting and highly enjoyable to one who is possessed of such a dreamy disposition as I am.

MONDAY, Oct. 14th.

Our journey is drawing to a close, and the captain says we will sight the northern end of Luzon late this afternoon, and that we will be in Manila Wednesday morning, the 16th, so that it will have taken us just one month to make the journey. It has been a very pleasant and enjoyable journey for most of us, as well as instructive in many ways. The immense and almost inconceivable greatness of the Pacific cannot be appreciated until one has crossed it and the extent of its vast distances does not begin to dawn upon one until Honolulu has been left behind. We have all become very intimate and warm friends, as is naturally the case, but on reaching Manila of course that will be the end of it, as all go to different parts of the islands, only six of us being booked for Manila or immediate vicinity. As we approach the China sea it becomes rougher and more squally and the captain says that one may expect more or less bad weather from this on, as we are now in the season of the typhoons which sweep all the China coast, so that I deem it advisable to bring this letter to a close today for fear that the motion of the boat will not permit me to write later on. I do not think that we will run into anything serious and of course the receipt of this letter will

let you know that I have arrived in Manila all right, and after I get there I will tell you all about my arrival and my first experiences, which I hope will be pleasant ones. I have gained about ten pounds since leaving Lincoln, and feel in the best of health. With much love to all, very affectionately,

JOHN.

MANILA, Oct. 16, 5:00 p. m.—We have just arrived.

JOHN H. FARWELL.

ANSWERED.

NEW YORK, N. Y., December 9, 1901.
—Dear Sir: The automobile ordered was duly shipped you, as per letter of advice mailed same day, on the 27th ult., and should have been received not later than the 1st inst.; but as yet we have not learned such to be the case. Will you therefore kindly notify us, at earliest convenience, if same was received in good condition, and is satisfactory, and oblige, very respectfully yours,

PULL, PUSH AND POWERS.

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A. BYERS.

Madge—I wouldn't think of letting a man make love to me unless he knew me thoroughly.

Marjorie—Do you think he'd do so then, dear?

Inspector—"Does he speak English?"
Deputy—No; he is a conductor on the elevated road.

THE SKATER.

Beneath her skates the curved steel bars
Seemed like two naked scimitars
That gleam about the sandals in
The sword-dance of the Bedouin.

And all around her flying feet
The ice mist flew unceasingly;

As free she was and full as fleet
As sea-gulls skimming o'er the sea.

It was the sea in different guise,
Like Mercury she wore her wings.

And deep within her fearless eyes
There lived the soul of flying things.

—Orth Harper Stein.

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