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Portland, Tuesday, June 12, 1900.

The law is not enforced at St. Louis because the Governor and authorities of the state of Missouri are devoted Bryanites, and expect to find political strength in codding rioters and destroyers of property.

Some of the Democratic oracles of the Eastern states think the Republicans did not win much of a victory in Oregon. The registered vote of the state was a little in excess of 40,000.

Dr. Andrew C. Smith, State Senator-elect, says he wants to pass through the Legislature an act to forbid all persons who are not competent to qualify as practicing medicine and surgery.

Boss Bryan is trying to hold himself down till after the Kansas City Convention. He believes he has the game well set up for the nomination.

Mr. Bryan appears to better advantage. He has taken his ground cut out on his own issues and defended himself against all comers.

The Mississippi mob that lynched the two negroes took no chances. The victims may not have been guilty; but that was immaterial.

The Klondike clean-up for this year is said to be \$15,000,000. Last year it was estimated at \$12,000,000 to \$15,000,000.

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The time of which Mrs. Dye writes is at once eloquent with romance and instinct with reality. The incidents which she has woven together—or, more properly speaking, arranged with regard to their bearing upon each other and upon events strictly historical—can scarcely be of less interest to Oregonians of the present day than to the relatively few who are honored by the name of 'pioneer.'

spired by a wise and considerate judgment, and an anxious desire for the welfare of their daughter.

COSTLY SUPERFLUITIES. The superfluous character of the Philadelphia convention is a topic worthy the serious attention of all our deep-browed arithmeticians and high-souled reformers.

The fact is that McKinley's nomination goes through by default because nobody has known exactly what to do to prevent it.

A MASTER OF THE ART OF WAR. The censorship which was enforced during Lord Roberts' great advance from Bloemfontein to Pretoria left the public in the dark as to the military details of this great campaign.

The second condition of rapid success was determined by Lord Roberts when he organized at Bloemfontein a force of 11,000 mounted infantry.

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quality. The simple problem of moving a large army with no enemy in reach needs for its solution a brain equal to that of a great railroad executive.

Discussing the "remarkable propaganda work being done by the Prohibition party in Oregon," our old friend, the New Voice, reaches the most apt conclusion: That the failure of prohibition in Maine, "so far as it has any existence at all, arises, grows out of, is caused by, has its existence in, the perjury and malfeasance of Republican officials in that state."

The trolley-car collision that occurred in the suburbs of Providence, R. I., Sunday, June 10, though distinctly preventable disasters which could only result from reckless disobedience of schedule orders.

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HOT SHOT AT THE ICE TRUST. The exposure of the ice trust in New York are of consequence to the National Democracy. The American Ice Company, which controls the supply of many Eastern cities, sought special favors and privileges from leading New York officials, and when it obtained them, deliberately set out to limit production, stifle competition and advance the price 100 per cent.

Even the ice trust is afraid of going-up against a free. No referee has yet appeared who has the nerve to call time on the Boxers.

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Woman's Will.—"Madam," said the gentlemanly census agent, "I am sorry to say that the law in this State does not permit a woman to be 20 years of age, instead of 18, as you request." "But," said the lady, "what is the difference? The law simply says 'and she be 20 years of age.' Whereupon she smiled sweetly, and the census man became so confused that he 'put it down' to 18, that being the difference.—Baltimore American.