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TODAY'S WEATHER—Occasional rain, with mostly overcast.

PORTLAND, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5.

IRRIGATION PROBLEMS.

People of Utah are taking great interest in legislation looking to the irrigation of arid lands.

Although the mountain ranges of Utah furnish considerable water supply and the flow of the Colorado and its tributaries from other states through Utah is heavy, yet the climatic conditions of Utah place the state in the "arid" class.

This subject is before the Supreme Court of the United States, on a suit to determine a controversy between the States of Colorado and Kansas.

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ELECTION OF ROAD SUPERVISORS.

The State Legislature at its last session made certain modifications in the regulations governing the election of Road Supervisors which must be regarded in the coming general election.

eral election of 1920 and every two years thereafter there shall be elected in each election precinct in which there is one or more road districts a Road Supervisor for each road district.

INDUSTRIAL SUGGESTIONS.

The enterprise of the O. R. & N. Co. in importing 200 blood bulls to Oregon and Washington in an effort to bring up the quality of our range herds is suggestive of many things.

A BRAVE AND SHREW D MAN.

The decision of President Roosevelt to go to Charleston is most sensible. The people of Charleston are in no way responsible for the ruffianism of Senator Tillman, or for the insolence of Lieutenant-Governor Tillman.

OUR PORTLAND MAN IVEY.

Hooley for Mr. Ivey? He may be wrong, but certainly he is not alone. Ivey is a rebel, and we all have an admiration, even when we are afraid to speak for the man who believes he is right and acts on that belief.

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that attempts to do business in our territory. The development of the Oriental fur trade by Mr. Wilcox made it possible for Portland to establish a line of steamers to the Orient, and the establishment of this line is a prominent factor in causing the river channel to be improved.

IDEAL HUSBAND AND THE REAL.

Girls under the age of 20 delight in telling one another what sort of a man they intend to marry. The ordinary male of the genus homo is not good enough for them. Rather than accept an ordinary man they will die old maids.

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Michigan and Wisconsin. They have witnessed the disappearance of virgin forests, which, after unnumbered centuries in reaching maturity, have vanished from the earth within a single generation of mankind.

The history of the logging and lumbering industry in the states first made famous by that business will certainly be repeated in Oregon and Washington. The man who buys a heavily timbered piece of land at the small figures now exacted can well afford to make the "buccut cut" high above the ground and leave to rot the smaller portions of the trunk, which a few years hence would bring almost as much money as is now realized from the entire tree.

New Jersey, it must be admitted, does some things effectively, even if in the old-fashioned way. Witness the penalty administered in the Police Court of Kearns, in that state, a few days ago, to six boys, ranging between 13 and 12 years of age, for breaking into freight-cars and destroying property.

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Naturally, so perfect a man has a right to expect perfection in his wife. She should be beautiful, graceful, well-mannered. Her brain should be equal to his. Her past, also, should be quite irreproachable, and there should be no flirtations, no tender but transient sentiments, no imprudent, however innocent, in her record.

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PLEASANTRIES OF PARAGRAPHS.

"He is in the springtime of life." "Shouldn't Mrs. give one that tired feeling?" Mrs. Wigwag—Does your husband keep liquor in the house? Mrs. Gutzler—Not very long—Philadelphia Record.

Chas.—Jack intends to have everything his own way when we are married. Clara's Mammas—Then why do you marry him? Clara—To relieve his mind of a false impression.—Tit-Bits.

Example (aged 6)—Are you going to give me a birthday present, Aunt Elsie? Aunt Elsie—Yes, dear. Tell me what you would like to have. Mamie—Oh, anything at all, just so it isn't usual—Chicago News.

Her Serious Offense—The time had come when women were in control of all business affairs, and two of them were discussing a third. "She was dropped from the directorate, I understand." "Yes, we found she wouldn't do at all. She insisted upon wearing a morning gown at our afternoon sessions."—Chicago Evening Post.

Perfectly Proper—Customer (after leaving the price down from \$2.00 to \$2.50)—What right have you to call this a "One-Price Store?" Dealer—Why not? Customer—Why, you ask all kinds of prices. Dealer—My dear sir, the price of this is not for sale, but what was accepted for it.—Philadelphia Press.