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Portland, Friday, December 9, 1904.

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experience enough with this creature heretofore. Yet she is still tolerated. It shows how patient and long-suffering man is, and what a fool he is. Temptation and sin came into the world with this creature, and will continue in the world, evidently, as long as she shall remain in it.

These good men who have been misled by Mrs. Chadwick are entitled to general sympathy. "O, why did God, who peopled highest heaven with spirit-muscle, create at last this fair defect on earth?" And here, besides Mrs. Chadwick, in Mrs. Watson, and here is Nan Patterson, top. "The woman thou gavest to be with me!" The truest story in all human history is the story of the Fall!

CUSTOM, BUT NOT JUSTICE. The plight in which Rev. Mr. Small, of the First Universalist Church of this city, finds himself, through having sent a very pressing request to a widow, not of his congregation, to pay for his clerical services in the funeral of her husband, is annoying to say the least.

COLUMBIA CHANNEL IMPROVING. At no corresponding period in the past five years have ships passing in and out of the Columbia River experienced such slight delays as they have encountered this season. Delays of more than a day have been very rare, and not in a single instance has there been one-half the amount of time lost that was charged up against the ships suffering the greatest detention a year ago.

FLAT SALARIES AND MAGIC. Though Governor Chamberlain declares himself for flat salaries and has done so before, still, whenever payday comes round, up trots His Excellency for his share in heaping and not "flat" salaries. His second recommendation to the Legislature for "the salaries" even if not refreshing, may be food for wonder.

EMBARGO SHOULD BE LIFTED. The United States Government is in the market for large quantities of hay, oats and lumber for the Philippines. The call is for something like 4500 tons of oats and 2,000,000 feet of lumber.

THE WORLD NOT YET AT AN END. Tennyson sings approvingly of the freedom which "broadens slowly down from precedent to precedent."

NOTE WOMEN HAVEN'T GOVERNED. Not that women haven't governed indirectly. Who knows what statesmen have done to their wives? The political lobby, whether in democratic Washington or in aristocratic Paris, has many a time shown its power.

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and marked up prices. New York has more American tonnage available than is in evidence at the Pacific ports, but like Portland, she has a much larger amount of foreign tonnage, which is always available in greater quantities than the American shipowner demands.

The Government officials at the Atlantic ports were undoubtedly willing to obey the new law wherever it was possible to do so without placing the Government at unnecessary expense and delay.

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