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THE PRIMARY LAW. There is just one thing to do with the primary law and that is to observe it and enforce it, as it stands.

THE MAYOR'S EXPLANATION. Mayor Lane's explanation as to municipal civil service comes in this. Civil service, as provided for by the charter and by the rules of the former administration, prevented the Mayor's getting good jobs in the police department for persons agreeable to him and to his kitchen cabinet.

SETTLING THE GREAT WEST. Representative Dixon, of Montana, has introduced a bill providing for the opening of the Fort Peck Indian reservation in his state at the earliest date compatible with the necessary preliminary arrangements.

NEUROUS FINANCIAL SITUATION. There is no precedent for the remarkable gyrations of the New York money and stock markets. Not infrequently in the past the rates of call money have soared up dangerously close to the high level reached this week.

homebuilding, are known in the process of time as "old settlers." Adventurers, who merely drift thither in obedience to the law of change, which is a predominant trait in their characters, abide a while in discontent and then disappear.

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THE PESSIONIST. The New York Sun of December 24 has this item: An autopsy was performed yesterday on the body of George Morris, a restaurant-keeper of 142nd street, who died at the Manhattan State Asylum on Ward's Island on Friday.

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CAN FISHES HEAR? Harper's Weekly. A question that is constantly being debated by zoologists and forms the subject of experimental research is "Can fishes hear?"

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SOME THINGS IN THE OREGONIAN OF TOMORROW. First and foremost, the most comprehensive telegraphic news service by the Associated Press and special correspondents, of any Pacific Coast newspaper.

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ITALY'S QUEEN MOTHER TO TOUR AMERICA. Queen Margherita, of Italy, who is an ardent automobilist, expects to visit the United States early next Spring.

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