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Portland Saturday, May 29, 1909.
MARCHING ON.
From the sketchy reports of their action available it is not understood that the delegates to the Presbyterian General Assembly have gone so far as to make abstention from whisky and tobacco a condition of membership in the church.

spite of its tardiness. May their good example be followed speedily by all the other churches.

LET US COUNT THE COST.
The proposal to go into the business of municipal ownership and operation of an electric lighting and power plant, as outlined in the Kellaher plan, is a matter of considerable importance to the city.

INVADING THE PEOPLE'S RIGHTS.
The Taxpayers' League has waded through the mass of initiative proposals, 35 in all, to be voted on June 18, and has reached the conclusion that 18 are good and that 17 should be rejected.

A NEW MIRACULOUS MEDICINE HAS BEEN DISCOVERED.
Another marvelous medium has been discovered. He is a little fellow living in Mount Horeb, Wisconsin, and his familiar from the spirit land is not Little Bright Eyes, for a wonder.

RAILROAD INVESTMENTS UNATTRACTIVE.
The discrimination between alleged good trusts and bad trusts, which was such a prominent feature of the 1907 financial crash, is still showing its effects in the dividend and interest accounts that appear from month to month.

LET US BE GRATEFUL.
From the doleful tone in which the brethren of the Southern Presbyterian Assembly announced in open session a few days ago that the Holy of Holies Sabbath observance had become obsolete, one would suppose that because of this real calamity had befallen the country.

stical board and subjected to her discipline, provided for flagrant dereliction of duty. Or if he prefers the tonic of the air he may walk abroad and take toll from the fragrance of the woods unencumbered by the elders on the only day in seven that his time is his own.

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