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Portland, Tuesday, June 15, 1909.

THE CALHOUN CASE.

The charge against Patrick Calhoun, on trial in San Francisco, is bribery of the Supervisors of the city, from whom concessions were to be had for street franchises.

These things will not be pleaded directly for Calhoun, for the law makes no allowance for conditions or circumstances, and the question is whether the jury may not find him guilty.

First, that after the earthquake it was necessary to re-establish the street lines as quickly as possible, and in the circumstances as cheaply as possible.

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Mr. Simon is getting a great deal of advice nowadays from persons and journals that oppose the election. Good enough advice, some of it.

The official count of the election a week ago Monday is accurate and detailed, but neither very interesting nor exciting.

"Either marriage or grand opera for me," says Miss Case. She thinks the two occupations are incompatible, evidently.

It is now an entire week since Hon. Joseph Simon was elected Mayor of Portland, and the excitement over that somewhat momentous event has abated.

Mrs. Katharine Clemmons could never do the same again. If she couldn't get a new one every few hours, she wouldn't wear any.

The great Gothenburg scheme got just one vote in fifteen. Think over the list of your acquaintances and see if you are unkind enough to suspect any one.

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WHAT IS IT ALL ABOUT?

Replying to Mr. Bryan's attack on the Democratic Senators who voted to retain the duty on lumber, the Atlanta Constitution says retention of the duty is "just a plain business proposition."

This is a perfectly frank and candid statement. It illustrates and explains the attitude of nearly all Senators and Representatives toward the tariff.

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ONE SANE FOURTH, PERHAPS.

Portland is approaching what promises to be a sane Fourth of July. That is to say, thus far no preparations are being made which look to a noisy celebration on that day.

PROLIFIC BOUNTY.

The open road with which Mrs. Russell Sage is distributing the millions accumulated by her husband is attracting universal attention and indeed, widespread wonder.

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FLOW OF WORLD'S GOLD STREAM

Precious Metal Now 75 Per Cent Larger Than It Was One Decade Ago. There is about twice as much gold in the world today as there was a quarter of a century ago.

FOURTH OF JULY'S GORY RECORD

Each Celebration Means That 10,000 Go to "Heaven" and Live. In six years, owing to our methods of celebrating the Fourth of July, as many Americans have been killed or maimed as would equal in number one round number, 10,000.

Life's Sunny Side

"I dined with W. K. Vanderbilt, Jr. on his return from Monte Carlo, at the Cafe de Paris," said a California millionaire.

Mr. Vanderbilt declared that there was one sure way to get rich by gambling at Monte Carlo. That was to buy a second casino and run it on the president's lines.

"What makes you look so blue?" "What makes you look so blue?" "What makes you look so blue?"

One of the characteristics of H. H. Rogers was his love of a joke, even at his own expense.

He, William C. Whitney and several other friends were discussing the succession to the presidency.

Mr. Dickson, a colored barber in a New England town, was shaving one of his customers one evening, when the following incident occurred.

"No, sah, not at all." "Why are you not a member of the African Church?"

"I don't like it, sah." "Why did you not join it, sah?" "I don't like it, sah."

The incorporation in the United States during May of railroad, industrial and public utility bonds, aggregating \$25,000,000, gives an idea of the wonderful commercial expansion of the country.

This is truly a billion-dollar era. Where the last generation figured in millions, the common multiple of the present-day newspaper men who asked for the length is the multiplication of millions to go to 707 Estates of 1,000,000 have dwindled by comparison to modest competencies.

"I will pitch," said Mr. Taft, as he dropped the bat and strode toward a big crowd which had gathered on the square.

neighbor to build harbors which would never have been built had there been a natural flow of commerce across the line and through American ports.

How He Illustrated His Bewilderment Over Tariff Schedules.

Wash. Special to Philadelphia Ledger. President Taft conferred to a delegation of Ohio woolen manufacturers today.

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Not Much of a Pitcher.

President Taft with the Yale Men at Pittsburg. From Pittsburg Dispatch to the Cincinnati Enquirer. Early in the afternoon President Taft grasped a bat as he started to the Big field, where the Yale Alumni were choosing up sides.

Greenwich Pigeon Adopts Chickens.

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As It Is Interpreted in Seattle.

The plain meaning of the overwhelming election of Joseph Simon as Mayor of Portland is that the people of that city have enough of the direct primary law. The issue was clearly drawn and distinctly understood.

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Makes Money by Paying Fines.

John Roumans, a confectioner at Lancaster, Pa., who has been fined \$100 recently in \$17-13 for selling candies, etc., contrary to Sunday laws, makes money of his large trade he makes money by paying the fines.

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Find \$400 Solitaire in the Sand.

Atlantic City (N. J.) Dispatch. Fred W. Caffrey picked out of the sand at Asbury Park, N. J., a solitaire diamond ring said to be worth \$400.

Rockefeller's Condescension.

Baltimore American. Again he has been solemnly chided for that Sunday Mr. John D. Rockefeller went to church.

New Arrangement for the Thirsty.

At Stillwater, Okla. police found a new arrangement for the thirsty to get a drink. The initiated, by dropping "two bits" in a slot, could immediately receive a pint bottle of beer.

Clock Strikes 1001 Times in a Day.

Philadelphia Record. The town clock at Coatesville, Pa., struck 1001 times in one day recently before it ceased.

Fine of \$100 for Swearing in Phone.

Baltimore News. The Omaha City Council has passed an ordinance imposing a fine of \$100 for the offense of swearing in a telephone.