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PORTLAND, TUESDAY, JULY 4, 1911.

HIP-POCKET LAW.

The lawyers for the most part agree that the instructions of Judge Coke, in the McClellan case, were in proper form and were based on a correct and luminous interpretation of the doctrine of self-defense.

Yet the lawyers in this grave matter are remarkably accordant. The only criticism, or suggestion of criticism, any of them makes is over the instruction that "the approaching of a person within shooting distance is a threatening manner and by placing the hand upon the hip the right hip-pocket would be an overt act within the meaning of the law."

THE GLORIOUS FOURTH.

In its origin and purpose the Fourth of July is not so much a holiday for children as for adults. We celebrate it to commemorate the establishment of our independence which was an event more likely to be understood by grown men and women than by their little boys and girls.

THE CLASSIC FOOT: THE VANISHING HAIR.

An Italian writer says with sorrow that the prevailing mania for sports is destroying the beauty of women's feet and that "the classic foot, once the dream of the poet, is now a dream of the past."

FAILURES OF PROHIBITION.

After a study of the effects of the anti-liquor laws of the United States, Count Louis Skarzynski, who was sent by the Russian Government at the request of the International Union Against the Abuse of Alcoholic Liquors to learn the experience of this country, has reported in the strongest terms against prohibition and local option.

THE TWINS.

Two small money faces peering in the door Gory with jam and jelly. Still they ask for more. Tumbled and tumbled. Paradox of love and health Without you life were sad! Go chase the bees to hours. You drive old melancholy From the house away.

is intimately connected with intelligent use of the mind. It requires both a knowledge of public affairs and a resolute determination to help conduct them correctly.

The direct management of the Government, or at least its control, is clearly becoming the popular ideal. Even those agents whom we still find indispensable are beginning to feel the rein.

Perhaps the first factor in patriotism as matters stand with us now is the obligation to learn the questions are up before the public and apply the mind to their solution.

THE KING AND REFORM.

The agitation for reforming the British House of Lords slumbered a little during the weeks preceding the coronation.

THE WASHWOMAN'S SONG.

[This is one of the best-known poems composed by Eugene F. Ware—now deplume "Ironquill"—who died last Saturday at Canada, Colo. Mr. Ware, who had a reputation as a wit and poet, enlisted in an Iowa regiment in the Civil War.]

THE WASHWOMAN'S SONG.

In a very humble cot, In a rather quiet spot, In the suds and in the soap, Worked a woman full of hope;

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is shown to be two or three times that of three non-prohibition states. The Count then says: "But what seems to me much more demoralizing is the systematic disregard in many districts of the law concerning liquor traffic."

As for the feet, there is no occasion to worry about them, provided the head fascinates. The feet are the last resort of the man who seeks something to admire about a woman.

DREAM SOON TO BE REALITY.

The hope of two generations will be realized when the railroad of the Pacific Railway & Navigation Company from Portland to Tillamook is completed this Summer.

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That hobble-skirted woman's jump to the Vancouver ferryboat suggests a new feature for Fourth of July sports—the hobble-skirt race, the hobble-skirt jump, or, better still, the hobble-skirt hop, step and jump.

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Reclamation is a more appropriate term for the East than the West. East has in effect lost its lands through improvident cultivation and must reclaim them by improved husbandry.

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Not in arrow nor in gleam Working all day long was she, As her children, three or four, Played around her on the floor;

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It's a song I do not sing, For I scarce believe a thing Of the stories that are told Of the miracles of old;

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Half a Century Ago

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Advertising Talks

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