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PORTLAND, WEDNESDAY, JULY 3, 1912.

THE CHOICE AT BALTIMORE.

The nomination of Woodrow Wilson for President by the Democrats is above all else a triumph for the "progressives" of his party.

Wilson's success is emphasized as a progressive victory by the fact that it was won not only without the aid of the Empire State...

By nominating a man whom both parties recognize as a progressive, the Democratic convention has deprived Roosevelt's third party of any excuse for coming into existence.

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PORTLAND'S GOOD HEALTH.

Data just compiled by the health authorities make known the significant fact that Portland is the most healthful city in the world for infants. We had suspected as much.

we are credited with, avoidable diseases such as typhus, pneumonia and the like contribute very little to the health of the city.

COMMERCE COURT BE PRESERVED.

A backfire has been started against the agitation for abolition of the Commerce Court. Many shippers' organizations have asked President Taft not only to veto the bill abolishing the court, but to recommend that Congress amend the present law by extending the court's jurisdiction.

The attack on the Commerce Court thus stands exposed as the work of a few defeated protectionist factorists in Congress, who could see no good in any measure favored by the Taft administration.

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ing to undermine popular respect for the courts and perhaps it is the least defensible of them all. The proposed remedy is easy to apply and it promises to be effective.

But the Province is in error in assuming that we cannot help ourselves. We can admit ships of foreign build owned by Americans to American ports and otherwise change our register and otherwise change our register and otherwise change our register.

Finally, it is possible that the seemingly endless tariff agitation may end in a settlement which will permit the building of ships in the United States as cheaply as in foreign countries.

THE SPREAD OF ALFALFA.

Just when lucern was introduced into the United States from the section of its origin, the countries bordering the Mediterranean, it is difficult to determine, but it was more than likely first brought to Southern California by the early missionaries.

In 1788, at the time of the French Revolution, the military school came to the attention of the Emperor Napoleon, who was in a brief period, and afterward a manufacturer of arms.

AN OLD BRIDGE OF THE SEAS.

The long-eroded, lackadaisical, howlingly uttered useless "houn' dog" was a not inappropriate emblem for Mr. Clark, who has no fixed opinions on public questions and no political character.

Wilson never would have made it running under his first name. Dropping the Thomas was as lucky for him as when Cleveland dropped the Stephen.

IMMIGRANT'S ELEVEN-FOOT BEARD.

Philadelphia Record. Among the steerage passengers who arrived recently was Hans N. Langbehn, with a beard 11 feet 6 inches long.

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IMPROVEMENT OF PLAZA PROSPECT.

BEAUTIFIED AND BETTER CARE AREA. Urged by Observer. PORTLAND, June 30.—(To the Editor.)—South on Third street, three blocks from Morrison street, is situated a fine piece of public park property, known as the Plaza Blocks.

Under this plan a standing commission of experts would be appointed by the Governor, who would serve in all cases where the testimony of alienists was desired. It has been urged that such a commission ought to be large enough to include all the eminent scientists in the country.

PUBLIC ENTERS FAMOUS CASTLE.

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POLICEMEN DOING PRIVATE WORK.

Men at Depot Under Orders of Company, In Charge. PORTLAND, July 1.—(To the Editor.)—When I read in reading about D. Sells Cohen having some misunderstanding with a policeman at the Union Depot, knowing Mr. Cohen to be a gentleman in every respect, both by nature and education, but I do not condemn the policeman, either, as a policeman has a lot of trouble to contend with, and for good reasons does not like the crowd.

Mr. Cohen is right. There is no city ordinance to prevent people from going through that big gate, and consequently, no city policeman has a right to enforce any such rule by the company.

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