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Today's Weather.

Oregon—Fair, northwesterly winds.
Washington—Fair, except probably rains on the northwest coast; winds, variable and southerly.

JANE L. STANFORD.

The death of Mrs. Jane Lathrop Stanford removes from this world's field of action one of God's noblewomen. Indowed with unlimited wealth, she did not seek the frivolities of society, but her time and money were devoted to the alleviation of the suffering of mankind and the education of the youth. She dispensed charity without ostentation; she has endowed schools and colleges with a lavish hand; she has cared for the poor, fed the hungry and clothed the naked. She and her husband endowed the Stanford university at Palo Alto, Cal., with \$35,000,000. It was erected as a monument to their son Leeland Stanford, Jr. Mrs. Stanford's intense affection for her son, who died abroad was the ruling passion of her whole life. Leeland Stanford, Jr., was a child about whom the whole life of the family centered. He was an only child. It was the fond hope of the parents that he would live to perpetuate the Stanford's name. At his death Mrs. Stanford's grief was piteable. She had a picture painted by a leading French artist representing Christ blessing little children. Of the many figures of the children in the canvas, one represented Leeland Stanford, Jr. Since his death her whole life mission seems to have been one of doing good. Although a spiritualist in belief, she was a noble Christian woman. Of her it may be said, "None knew her but to love her." She was of a kind and affectionate disposition and never turned a deaf ear to the piteous appeals of the poor. What motive anyone could have had in poisoning her is beyond human comprehension. If the guilty party is discovered there is no punishment adequate to fit the heinous crime.

Her only relatives are Charles G. Lathrop of Palo Alto and her niece, Jennie Lathrop, who have been abundantly provided for during their lives and all of her property will go to the Stanford university, which will be one of the grandest monuments in the world to this noble, philanthropic woman, while her memory will dwell in the minds and hearts of all who knew her as long as life lasts. Thousands will mourn her who have received aid, relief and comfort at her hands. The nation will mourn her as a woman pure and true and her motherly affection will be engraved on the tablets of love and memory as long as the world lasts. She will be laid to rest at the mausoleum at Palo Alto amid beautiful flowers entwined by willing hands and loving hearts in attestation of the appreciation and reverence in which she is held by the people of California. Mrs. Stanford was 80 years of age at the time of her death. She had passed the three score and ten allotted to God's children, and died as she had lived, a noble woman.

POPULAR VERDICT.

The culmination of the trial of the Uniontown cases resulting in a verdict of guilty, meets with the general approval of the public. As is usual in such cases, there was more or less of a political sentiment entered into the controversy, and some attorneys who were back of the saloon men, did not figure publicly in the result, but the people of Uniontown are satisfied as to who are their friends. As to the merits of the case it simply resolves itself down to the proposition, whether saloons shall be allowed to exist in the residence portions of the city. In so far as it allows the voters to decide this question in residence districts, the Astorian favors the local option law. It does not believe, however, that it should be adopted throughout the city, as to do so would simply be to transfer the selling of liquors from the saloons in private clubs, drug stores and "blind pigs." As long as liquor is manufactured, just so long will it be a commodity of barter and sale. The verdict of the jury is generally

approved. It is evidence of the fact that the opinions of a jury can no longer be swayed by technicalities, but that verdicts will be rendered in the light of equity and justice. The proper thing for both Mr. Harry and Mr. Hendrickson to have done when local option was carried in the precinct, was to have closed their places of business and sought new locations where the objections and sentiments of the community were not so pronounced. The people of Uniontown have a right to determine whether liquors are to be sold in close proximity to their residences. It is not a question only of the existence of saloons, but the demoralizing influences to which the children of that precinct are subject to.

There is only one thoroughfare to Uniontown and that is Bond street. The two saloons were located on this street and school children must pass by them either going up town or to school. It is not conducive to the moral education of young children to be compelled to pass by saloons where profanity and obscenity emanates from drunken men, who, when under the influence of liquors, have no regard for the feelings of others. It was this fact that has created the antagonism against the Uniontown saloons and which prompted the residents to invoke the local option law as the only means of protection to themselves and their families.

The Astorian is not antagonizing the saloon element in expressing its views on this subject. As is well known, it is not favorable to the present local option law. It believes that saloons are a necessary adjunct to a city and that it is better to derive a revenue from this source as long as they are bound to exist, as to allow liquors to be sold and derive no revenue from it. It is also of the opinion that it is no more than right and just that a saloon that pays \$400 a year for the privilege of conducting its business should be protected from a number of places in Astoria that sell liquors on the sly and pay no license, not even a government license. It believes the same effort should be used to convict these "boot-leggers" as is used to enforce the local option law. A man pays \$400 for a license and is entitled to protection, and as long as the law recognizes saloons as a legitimate business it is entitled to the same protection as any other branch of business.

District Attorney Harrison Allen is entitled to great credit for the able manner in which he handled the case, and it was due in a great extent to his efforts that the victory for Uniontown was achieved. There are other facts in connection with those behind the saloon men that will come to the surface. Men may have conscientious scruples for not going into a case of this kind for political reasons, fearing lest it lose a certain political faction of the voters of Uniontown. Men that carry water on both shoulders are subject to infant baptism, or a bath which although it may not wash away their political sins, may have a tendency to purify the political atmosphere in Astoria.

OUT OF THE ORDINARY.

Epitome of Anecdotes and Incidents With Comments by a Layman.

Some newspapers chew scandal as a man does tobacco. The Tillamook Herald contains a three-column article on the life of Senator Mitchell. Although it was published in the Oregonian 20 years ago, the Herald publishes it as "the latest news. Civilization has not penetrated very deep in Tillamook county.

An ossified man died in Tillamook the other day. It's a prohibition town, too.

It is now announced that Jupiter has seven satellites—almost as many as the Uniontown saloon supporters.

In Russia a man doesn't know whether a butcher spilled Hamburger steak on the pavement or whether a grand duke has been bombed.

A pleasing fashion note is that announcement of the boot and shoe manufacturers that footwear will be worn no higher for some time.

Good roads in our county will be equally if not more beneficial than even a railroad. Good highways are the forerunners of civilization and until we get them we will be just where we are now.

Later on Kansas' state oil refinery building may be wisely utilized to increase her asylum accommodations for the chronic insane.

Mark Twain says that Webster defines a carbuncle as a gem, which clearly shows that Webster lacks a sense of humor.

Kansas will have a bumper wheat crop this year. This will offset in some measure the work of the legislature.

Mrs. Howard Gould has been sued for a meat bill, which only goes to prove that society is finding the divorce suit monotonous.

NEW SALMON LAWS

Attempt to Kill the Close Season Bill.

BENTON COUNTY IS KILLED

House Passed the Poll Tax Bill Also the Bill Redistricting the State Into Three Congressional Districts.

Olympia, March 2.—A sudden attempt was made in the house this afternoon to withdraw from the committee on fisheries, senate bill fixing the close season in 1906 and 1908 for sock-eye salmon fishing and secure action late this afternoon, but the attempt was frustrated by adjournment. It is agreed that the bill shall come up as a special order for tomorrow.

The house bill creating the new county of Benton out of a portion of Douglas, was killed this afternoon. The houses reconsidered and passed the poll tax bill which was defeated yesterday.

The congressional redistricting bill passed the senate this afternoon where it originated. It divides western Washington into two districts and makes eastern Washington the third district.

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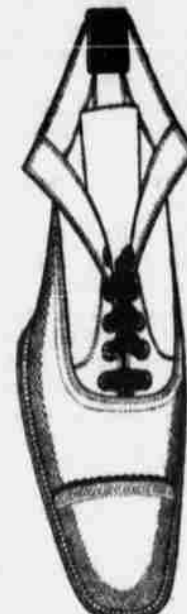
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