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Chief of Police Collins, of Chicago, apparently has his hammer out, but we are glad to say in the interests of a most excellent cause.

Margaret Anglin, according to telegraphic advices, was thrown from her carriage while driving home following a shopping tour and sustained a broken collar bone.

Los Angeles proposes installing a gigantic pipe line project for the purpose of guarding against a shortage in the water supply when the population of the palmy metropolis of Southern California is one million.

Advice received from Shanghai cancelling orders for Chinese shipments from San Francisco present a serious phase of the Chinese boycott, which was generally accepted as a groundless threat.

REQUIESCAT IN PACE.

Dedicated to the memory of Garner Kesler.

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CURRENT COMMENT.

Astoria may be shy on court houses, hotels and brick yards, but it can always get up a regatta.

Cashing checks seems to have become a popular fad in Astoria, especially the Saturday night checks, giving the drawer an opportunity to skip out.

There is a movement on foot in some of the Eastern cities to get up an insurance company to insure the policy holders of the Equitable.

Engineer Wallace is not saying anything. It is possible, however, that he is silently constructing the largest dam he ever built.

The Astoria Civic Improvement league are not exactly pleased with the number of woodpiles that litter up the streets in the residence portion of the city from an ornamental standpoint.

"Men who refuse to become rich show sound judgment," says Rev Newton Dwight Hillis. Experience has demonstrated that the newspaper man of the small communities adheres strictly to this rule.

Thomas W. Lawson says that "Rockefeller owns practically everything except the sulphur combination." According to Dr. Gladden, old Rocky will get all the sulphur he wants in the next world.

A dispatch announced that several Idaho editors were robbed on the train. Where did they get the money?

The Chicago tribune has discovered that more people are killed by automobiles than by Fourth of July celebrations. It is the owners who kill other people, were also killed, the fad might be stopped.

Lives of grafters oft remind us We can make our pile to climb; If we cover up with care Our footprints on the sands of time.

IN LIGHTER VEIN

Ruminations of a Dog.

NEVER did have parents, No one to care for me. Just a homeless dog of leisure, The kind you often see. But I'm thankful for the blessings, And I'm glad my lot ain't worse. I might have been a poodle, With a woman for a nurse.

Yes, I know I'm full of sorrow— Full of fleas and all of that— Got no home and have to hustle In the alley with the cat. But I'm happy—oh, so happy!— That my lot ain't no worse, That I wasn't born a poodle, With a woman for a nurse.

The Reprobate's Wish. "Here," said the trainer, "take off those trunks. They're too tight to run in."

"Gee," said the athlete who sometimes worried his trainer by going in for dissipation, "I wish that policeman I met last week had thought that about me."

"Had thought what about you?" asked the trainer, who was of English extraction. "That I was too tight to run in," replied the student regretfully.—Baltimore American.

Practical Girl. "Phyllis," he exclaimed, "I love you. I place my happiness in your hands"— "For goodness' sake, don't do it now," she hastened to beg.

"Why not?" "Because I'm sure I'll need both hands in a minute or so to keep you from kissing me."—Philadelphia Press.

Heating a Roll. "Does your wife ever look under the bed at night?" asked the inquisitive gentleman whose better half was very timid.

"Oh, yes," replied his friend, "ever since I tried to hide my vest under there one night."—Detroit Tribune.

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