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WEATHER REPORT.

Portland, Dec. 20.—Western Oregon and Western Washington: Occasional rain. Eastern Oregon, Eastern Washington: Generally fair.

CHRISTMAS IN ASTORIA.

It is a happy thing for the whole Christian world that there is one season in the year when the animosities, the strife, the jealousies, the inherent meannesses of humanity are driven to the rear and the better impulses and nobler amenities of human life are given wholesome expression.

MONEY THE ROOT.

There may or may not be merit in the charge made by the Washington correspondent of the Brooklyn Eagle, on the strength of the representations of a United States Senator, whose identity it is not difficult to determine, that the passage of the joint Arizona and New Mexico statehood bill is being opposed by the big mining and smelting corporations operating in the two Territories and that they are employing a large and powerful lobby at the national capital to defeat it.

tions are undertaxed by the territorial governments and that they are opposing the joint statehood bill because they anticipate that they will be heavily assessed if a State government is created. The charge is really too improbable to be seriously considered.

INEVITABLE PROCESS.

For the fourth time the United States Steel Corporation offers its employees the privilege of profit-sharing. The first time the preferred issues were placed at their disposal at \$82.50 per share; the second year the allotment was at \$55; last year it had gone up to \$87.50, and this year the preferred is offered at par.

WRONG FOR ONCE.

President Eliot of Harvard in an address to the Economic Club of Boston made a statement which we fear he would be unable to substantiate. Defending unlimited immigration he declared that "we should not try to keep out new arrivals because our earnings will be reduced."

BOURKE AND HIS HOWL.

And now comes Bourke Cockran with the dark and sinister intimation that it must be for something else than the performance of services that the top officers of insurance companies receive such high salaries. He asserts broadly that they are usually selected without reference to qualifications and, that, as a rule, they lack a thorough knowledge of the business they boss.

BIG AND USEFUL.

What will probably be the largest drydock in the Orient for several years has just been completed at Nagasaki. It can accommodate such monsters as

the Minnesota and the Dakota, having a length of 722 feet and a depth of water on the sill at high tide amounting to thirty-four feet. Its chief patrons, no doubt, will be the Japanese, who will now be encouraged to build bigger vessels than they possess at present.

STEP BY STEP.

A new method of transmitting by telegraph a photograph or drawing has been devised by a Munich electrician, Dr. Korn. As it requires as much time as any of the half dozen other plans which have attracted attention in the last ten years, and gives only indistinct reproductions, it does not promise to effect a revolution.

The idiotic boy in the East, who has inherited a couple of millions from his grandfather will probably perpetrate less mischief than many grandsons credited with the possession of all their faculties. He will doubtless have competent guardians who will manage his affairs so successfully that he may some day figure in the list of captains of industry.

The Harvard committee announces that it has sixty or more suggestions to make as to the reforming of football. If all these suggestions are adopted, it will be difficult for even an expert to recognize the game after it has been reformed.

LOSS WAS GREAT.

Much Money and Jewelry Lost in Train Wreck.

Kansas City, Dec. 20.—The Journal says: Besides the loss of life in the Santa Fe train wreck at Lang, Kas., Tuesday, there was about \$5000 in gold and \$9000 in currency and many thousand dollars' worth of jewelry destroyed by the express car attached to the train taking fire.

NO REASON FOR IT

When Astoria Citizens Show the Way. There can be no just reason why any reader of this will continue to suffer the tortures of a aching back, the annoyance of urinary disorders, the dangers of diabetes or any kidney ills when relief is so near at hand and the most positive proof given that they can be cured.

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