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WEATHER.

Oregon and Washington—
Rain; gale along coast.

FISH OF ONE, FLESH OF ANOTHER.

Is it not a little peculiar that the present city administration should have such a violent spasm over the reported laches of Laxell & Co. for the violation of the liquor license of the city, and then complacently watch the wholesale installation of the slot-machines throughout the town, and when it is made apparent beyond all cavil, to smugly announce that it intends to increase the rate of license on the latter? It smacks of partisan discrimination, and has all the earmarks of a deliberate purpose to make fish of one and flesh of another: Always a bad and a reactionary policy, and the leaders will find it out before they are through with their program. This paper cares no more for one than the other of the offending proprietors and sees but little difference, personally, or in a business sense, between them, but the discrepancy is so marked, so radical, that we cannot withhold comment. The whole town is talking of it, and it will take some adroit explaining on the part of those who are chargeable with the bald discrimination, to square the singular "curves" of this matter!

ASTORIA'S ENGAGEMENT.

This city has a number of engagements on hand that should be definitely underway by mid-summer, among them the building of that road to the Nehalem and Tillamook countries; the tabling of the grades in the business heart of the city to comport with the levels of the new sea-wall, the construction of a new and up-to-date hotel structure; the re-habilitation of the Nehalem-Astoria county road; the completion of projected street improvements; the accumulation of a sufficient municipal revenue for the year; the revision of the charter, etc., etc., all of which is going to tax the ingenuity of those who shall take the initiative in any or all of the necessary schemes, and the sooner steps are taken all along the line the better it will be for the city in every way. We have centuries to dawdle in, but only a few years to accomplish things in; Wake up!

ETERNALLY IN TROUBLE.

The new republic of Panama seems destined to have troubles of its own, just as this republic has had. It has an Indian problem on its hands, while we have gotten rid of ours. The San Blas Indians, led by Chief Innanguina—pretty name—have announced their secession from Panama and renewed their allegiance to Colombia, from which Panama secured some

time ago for good cause. Added to this Gen. Huertas, retired, has refused to obey President Amador's summons to return to active duty and take the field against the Indians. This, to be sure, is not patriotic but it may be purely Panamanian. Of course something will happen to the General and the way things happen in Central America isn't always pleasant. In one respect Panama retains the Latin American characteristics, and is expecting a revolutionary pronouncement from somebody or other. Should these little diversions threaten the progress of the canal Uncle Sam may have a word of warning or something more potent, in the premises.

EDITORIAL SALAD.

When Mr. Jerome gets busy on these criminal cases, then watch.

The automobile that costs the most dollars does not always have the strongest scent.

This assault on the President is about as irritating as a swarm of gnats attacking an ox on a July day.

The crooked little life insurance companies are beginning to creep out through the hole of bankruptcy.

Mr. Bryan has been made to datto in Mindanao. That's nothing to what we did to him here a couple of times.

All there is about it, it is hoped they have made, Mr. Bryan Datto of some place where he can carry his own precinct.

The Philippines tariff bill is evidently in danger, only from the people who believe in free trade everywhere, but not somewhere.

The inclination seems to be to put the tariff up enough higher so as to make it really encouraging for the low tariff revisionists.

The report we are to get more justice from the legislature must be printed more carefully, so as to make it plain that word is in the plural.

Ecuador had a revolution. We didn't know it, but it is over and as we do ten million dollars' worth of business with Ecuador every year we are glad.

Congressman Longworth reports on his trip to the Philippines that the natives are not bright and the cigars are no good. Still he ought to take another trip some time when his mind is not occupied.

According to the French law the son of a widowed mother is exempt from military service. A young man of Nantes who wished to avail himself of that immunity slew his stepfather and forwarded information to the authorities that his mother was a widow. He is a parallel of the man who killed his parents and pleaded for mercy on the ground that he was an orphan.

Governor John M. Pattison of Ohio has struck a new note in Buckeye State politics. In his first message to the legislature he asks that body to pass no legislation "for partisan purposes." In a state where for two generations political action has been nothing if not partisan, this appeal seems to mark a singular alteration in both the politicians' and the public's point of view.

German farmers are trying to induce the smaller birds to return to their old haunts about the fields and for this purpose are setting out boxes and other artificial devices to serve the birds for homes. The farmers need the birds to destroy the insects, but the birds are disappearing, not only because of their direct slaughter, but also because the old trees in the decayed hollows of which they build their nests, the old copses which they haunted, and both of which were prolific in insects, together with the stagnant pools which yield them food in abundance, are all disappearing before the closer cultivation of the present time.

Rats Feed on Dynamite.—Although his stable is infested by rats, John Farrell, of North New street, this place, is very wary of setting a trap to catch them, lest he blow up the neighborhood. The rats are loaded and might explode at any time. Recently Farrell, who is a quarryman, placed twenty-five pounds of dynamite in his stable. It was sufficient to blow up the locality, but the rats in the neighborhood seemed simply to be waiting for it. Farrell went to look after his dynamite, and all he found was paper left

by the rats, which had torn open the packages and eaten the contents.—Westchester (Penn.) News.

The reproach sometimes cast upon South American States that they are scarcely settled and growing too slowly, is surely not valid against Argentina, according to the latest demographic reports of that country. At the end of 1903 the population of Argentina was 5,160,980, and at the end of 1904 it was 5,410,028 showing an increase of 249,048, or nearly 5 per cent a year. Some of this was, of course, due to immigration, chiefly from Italy, but a gratifying large part of it was due to the natural increase of population. The number of marriages increased from 36,351 in 1903 to 33,040 in 1904, the number of births increased from 177,175 to 183,844 and the number of deaths has decreased from 82,713 to 81,275. That was certainly an excellent showing, full of promise for the great southern Commonwealth.

HAVE YOU WEAK LUNGS?

DO YOU FEAR CONSUMPTION?

When we take into consideration the fact that one out of every seven in this climate die of consumption, is it any wonder that it is feared by the people of Astoria, who have weak lungs and chronic colds and coughs?

A famous London physician has for years urged his patients, when the slightest tendency for consumption appeared, to take the best cod liver preparation they could find, and physicians everywhere have recognized that the cod's liver contains curative values for coughs, colds, bronchitis, consumption and all wasting diseases unequalled in medicine, but, unfortunately, few colds take and derive any benefit from old-fashioned cod liver oil and emulsions on account of the indigestible grease which they contain.

Our local druggist, Charles Rogers says: "We want every person in Astoria to know, the value of our new cod liver oil preparation, Vinol. It actually contains in a concentrated form all of the strengthening, body building elements of cod liver oil actually taken from fresh cod's livers, without a drop of oil or grease to upset the stomach or retard its work."

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BABY COVERED
WITH SORES

Would Scratch and Tear the Flesh Unless Hands Were Tied—Wasted to a Skeleton—Awful Suffering for Over a Year—Grew Worse Under Doctors—Skin Now Clear.

WOULD HAVE DIED
BUT FOR CUTICURA.

"My little son, when about a year and a half old, began to have sores come out on his face. I had a physician treat him, but the sores grew worse. Then they began to come on his arms, then on other parts of his body, and then one came on his chest, worse than the others. Then I called another physician. Still he grew worse. At the end of about a year and a half of suffering he grew so bad I had to tie his hands in cloths at night to keep him from scratching the sores and tearing the flesh."

"He got to be a mere skeleton, and was hardly able to walk. My Aunt advised me to try Cuticura Soap and Ointment. So great was her faith in it that she gave me a small piece of Soap to try and a little of the Ointment. I took it home without any faith, but to please her I tried it, and it seemed to dry up the sores a little. I sent to the drug store and got a cake of the Soap and a box of the Ointment and followed the directions, and at the end of about two months the sores were all well. He has never had any sores of any kind since. He is now strong and healthy, and I can sincerely say that only for your most wonderful remedies my precious child would have died from those terrible sores. I used only one cake of Soap and about three boxes of Ointment. (signed) Mrs. E. E. Sheldon, R. F. D., No. 1, Woodville, Conn., April 22, 1905."

Complete External and Internal Treatment for Every Skin Disease, from Pimples to Scrofula, from Itchiness to Age, consisting of Cuticura Soap, 50c. Ointment, 50c. Bottle, 50c. (in form of Chocolate Coated Pills, 50c. per box) may be had of all druggists. A complete skin cure. Sufferers from Eczema, Cuts, Sores, Itch, Pruritus, etc., should read "How to Cure Skin Diseases."

Appropriate.
"I confess that I have burdened you with much mediocre verse," said the tall bard, entering the sacred sanctum, "but here is a poem that really is a bird."

"A bird, eh?" smiled the busy editor. "Then it would be very appropriate if I pigeonholed it."—Detroit Tribune.



Mrs. Gazook—Why are you punishing the baby?
Mr. Gazook (in surprise)—I'm not punishing him.
Mrs. Gazook—You're singing to him, aren't you?—Mail and Express.

Pop's Opinion.
"Pop," said Tommy, "what do the newspapers mean when they say 'a member of the Four Hundred?'"
"They refer, Tommy, to certain society men and women who think they are better than anybody else, and that's about all the thinking they do."—Trenton State Gazette.

Mistaken.
"Great Britain is going to send over a commission to investigate our idiot asylums."
"How stupid those Britons are! They think all our idiots are in asylums."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

An Opinion.
"What is your opinion of criticism?"
"Criticism," replied the irritated artist, "is an institution which enables people not clever themselves to make others apologize for being so."—Washington Star.

The ill health resort that advertises restoration of memory can make a hit with law officers.

CHANGE OF TIME

The Baltimore & Ohio Railroad

Commencing Sunday, November 19, train No. 6, the Royal Blue Limited, will leave Grand Central passenger station, Chicago at 5 p. m., instead of 3:30 p. m. and will arrive in Pittsburgh at 6:35 a. m., Washington at 4:40 p. m., Baltimore 5:50 p. m., Philadelphia, 8:19 p. m., New York 10:40 p. m. the same as with the old schedule, thus reducing the time one hour and thirty minutes. No excess fare will be charged on this fast limited train. All other trains will arrive and depart the same as formerly. Stop-over is allowed at Washington, Baltimore and Philadelphia, not to exceed ten days, at each place, on all first-class through tickets.

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