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WEATHER.

Western Oregon and Washington—Fair and warmer.

THE OCEAN-GOING RAFT.

The Astorian has no desire to impede the course of an industry that is peculiarly indigenous to the Columbia River Valley, and especially one that is so unique and serviceable as is that of the Hammond Rafting Company at Stella; but, for the sake of the immensely larger interests at stake, a suggestion for the safer despatch and surer delivery of these great shipments cannot be deemed iconoclastic, even in these columns.

THE RHODE ISLAND.

The new and magnificent warship, Rhode Island, which has just been pulled off the York Spit, in the Chesapeake Bay, is the biggest thing of her kind in the American service; so big that she had to decline an invitation to visit Newport because the local authorities could not find any quick-despatch plan for moving the town back to let her in the bay.

THE INFLAMMATORY SLAY.

After thirty days of comparative quietude the Russian realm is in another turmoil, with bombs flying and

killing whom they may; Cossacks raiding, and a sanguinary parliament in prospect. The wires from that districted country will be on the verge of melting in mid-air for some time to come.

CHEERFUL INDICATIONS.

From all authentic sources throughout Oregon, California and Washington, comes the cheerful intelligence of propitious conditions for the varied crops of the three States. This is always good news, and lends an impetus to other commercial affairs.

RULING MARKET PRICE.

Over in sunny France a man-milliner has just been through the local court of his city, on twenty different charges of kissing the girls in his shop. According to the report he was fined, in each case, "the customary sum of \$3.75," and this must be the ruling price in a market where kissing is a fine art, and the initial signal of ordinary gallantry, and does not constitute assault and battery, hence, the price quoted may be taken as the actual and legal value of the commodity. There should be some standard governing this thing, and this is better than none. And the poor girls got nothing—except the kisses.

EDITORIAL SALAD.

Charity covers a multitude of Sunday entertainments.

A speech in the Senate that lasts only one day seems to be classed in that body as a paragraph.

It is hoped that the second march to the sea will be as free from physical unpleasantness as the first.

"Appropriation" of wireless telegraphy messages is the latest on record. The art of thieving clearly advances as rapidly as science.

The Russian cabinet members, following the example of the generals, "regret to report" their withdrawal. Wonder if the Czar has any regrets?

San Francisco is getting three times as much money as was contributed to Chicago after its fire. There is no discount on Uncle Sam's growth.

If San Francisco had given its Chinese population a little more time it would have acquired a subway system without costing the city a cent.

If an earthquake could be harnessed and compelled to do duty at the right time and place, it might simplify matters for the Panama canal commission when it gets ready to throw dirt.

A committee of Congress is considering a change in the design of the one-cent piece. A coin that can be exchanged for a good newspaper is worthy of the best legislative treatment.

For a good many years the white man has been bearing the Indian's burden. Recent legislation by Congress will compel the Indian to tote his share of the load.

Two years ago the world's fair opened under conditions that looked slightly frosty. But the golden summer sun set in and made its mark in history.

Having spoken for three whole days on the railroad rate bill, Senator La Follette is stopped from making any complaint as to the limits of congressional debate.

The author of the man with a hoe who publicly endorsed Gorky has sought a back row so as to avoid the neighborly inquiry if he is planting Russian thistles.

Though Mr. Bryan is out of the country he should not fail to make a note of the fact that the contributory class has been much more in evidence lately than the predatory.

A pump company proposes to increase its capital stock \$8,000,000. If it's a case of watering the stock, a pump company should have an advantage over all other corporations, surely.

Now that the London courts have decided that Mr. Schwab need pay only \$4000 for the picture which he was charged \$15,000 for, he can afford to take a summer vacation.

Canada pays an immigrant premium of \$13 on every British agricultural laborer and of \$5 on each settler from the

continent, the money going to immigration agents. In this country a head tax is proposed to limit the vast tide of newcomers. Our neighbor on the north is willing to take the crumbs, and studies the situation closely for advantages.

The Senate has about reached the conclusion that the salaries of the members of the canal commission can be reduced without causing any interruption in the work.

Seattle complains that some of the wicked element of San Francisco is descending upon it, and warns the shady visitors to be careful. No doubt the threat of a vigilance committee will keep them straight.

PAINS

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Mrs. George J. Steese, of 701 Coburn St., Akron, Ohio, tells in the following letter of another



She broke out all over her body with a humor, and we used everything recommended, but without results. I called in three doctors, they all claimed they could help her, but she continued to grow worse. Her body was a mass of sores, and her little face was being eaten away; her ears looked as if they would drop off.

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