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WEATHER.

- Western Oregon and Washington—Showers.
- Eastern Oregon and Washington—Showers and thunder storms.

WELL SUSTAINED METHODS.

It is well for the people of Astoria to know, and remember, that among its public boards of control, there is one that pursues and sustains, at all times, the safest and most conservative methods of business and to give it the proper and timely measure of credit for its care, and success, in the handling of its big public trust. Reference is had to the school board of district No. 1, Astoria, than which no group of public servants is doing better work for the citizens and taxpayers. We are too prone to neglect the expression of appreciation that is due to these agencies, and altogether too eager to spring the voice of complaint at some passing and trivial fault; a human failing, of course, but one that does not debar the operation of the kindlier spirit of commendation, when once we think to indulge it. The recent decision of the board to abandon the costly work of moving the McClure building, and the close scrutiny and clever understanding of the conditions that wrought the determination to save the expense of \$10,000, is an exhibition of business acumen and intelligent discrimination, that is, on the whole, rather unusual, and entirely meritorious, and no taxpayer in the district but will fully realize the value of such service once he recognizes it. And apropos of all this, it is well to think of the necessity of retaining the services of Judge Frank J. Taylor on the board, if they can be secured once more, as he has been conspicuous in the splendid work achieved and cannot be readily spared from a position to which he has lent the best of his judgment at all times.

ASTORIA'S HOLIDAYS.

One of the happiest features of Astorian life is the wide-spread attention paid to the passing of the holidays. No city in the country is more responsive to the gala spirit than the City-by-the-Sea. It is a winning idea always, and lends a complacent tinge to the opinion that strangers are likely to form of us, besides being helpful in a hundred other ways. It opens up the sunny side of home life and acts as a merging influence upon the people, and brings them closer together in the bonds of friendliness. The pending arrangements for the two-day celebration of the Fourth of July, and the annual Regatta, are well underway, and promises an abundance of unique and wholesale entertainment; things that are pleasant to think of, and which will contribute to the amusement, and ultimate good will of thousands of intending visitors, and keep alive in the city the cohesive ardor of popular assemblage and demonstration. It is a good thing.

THE STEAMSHIP TIE-UP.

The San Francisco sailors' strike for an advance of five dollars per month has

extended to the bigger lines of the coast and trans-Pacific Companies, its initial movement being among the steam schooner lines, the larger development being a sympathetic addendum. The general feeling over the coast is that the strikers will be successful, in view of the extraordinary demand for transportation facilities and the scarcity of men to take the place of the contending sailors. The organizers of the strike chose an opportune moment for enforcing their demands, and kept the demand within reasonable bounds, two elements that are likely to aid them in the contention. Astoria will feel the tie-up sharply, at least twenty vessels being involved that constitute a regular fleet in and out of here, with business. The Costa Rica and the Barracouta are in the mix-up and the Breakwater and Roanoke will catch it next, unless the strike is broken before they reach the Bay City.

THE DAY OF OBSTACLES.

With all the splendid pluck that she possesses San Francisco is facing her day of obstacles. The interminable scheme of unravelling the confusion of her enormous business detail; supplying the endless losses of public and commercial record; summoning of absentee testimony on tens of thousands of vital questions demanding immediate settlement; gradually unfolding the new and baffling conditions wrought by the quake and fire; facing undreamed-of contingencies and unescapable duties never contemplated in the business career; and above all, doing these things with patience and a willingness to wait, when every commercial instinct, and surrounding circumstance, is urging the utmost expedition. This is the task to which the great city and its great people have set themselves, and the country at large, with an apt knowledge of the measure of the work, watches her hopefully, and with the kindest trust in her entire ability to achieve all she has undertaken, and to share her pride when the day of smooth sailing shall have been reached again.

DECIDE YOURSELF.

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BRITISH BRIEFS.

England's first representative parliament assembled in 1265.

Caesar conquered Britain in the year 55 B. C. The Roman occupation continued nearly 500 years, or until 410 A. D.

In 1679 was passed the habeas corpus act, which, along with the right of trial by jury, is the great bulwark of Anglo-Saxon liberty.

The great plague was introduced into London in 1664 by bales of cotton imported from Holland; 100,000 persons succumbed to the disease in one year.

Cromwell's long parliament assembled in 1640; Charles I. was beheaded Jan. 30, 1649, and Cromwell became lord protector in 1653. In 1690 the Stuarts were restored to the throne.

Westminster abbey, where the kings and queens of Great Britain are crowned, was originally a Benedictine monastery. It was founded by Sebert, king of the East Saxons, about 616.

Byes on Bills.

Among the humorous memories connected with English judges is one of Justice Byes and his horse. This eminent jurist was well known in his profession for his work on "Bills," and as this gave a fine opportunity for alliteration his associates were accustomed to bestow the name on the horse, which was but a sorry steed. "There goes Byes on Bills," they took pleasure in saying, and as the judge rode out every afternoon they indulged daily in their little joke. But the truth was that the horse had another name, known only to the master and his man, and when a too curious client inquired as to the judge's whereabouts he was told by the servant, with a clear conscience, that "master was out on Business."

EDITORIAL SALAD.

The average cost of a Pullman car is from \$15,000 to \$18,000.

A Chicago genius has invented a baby-buggy that shuts up. But he can't invent a baby that will do it.

In London 400,000 people live in single rooms; 40,000 live five in a room; and 8,000 seven in a room.

Probably with a view of checking the slump in marriage in Chicago the authorities are putting thousands of extra "lovers" benches in the parks.

An adown with joy and likewise pride And confidence immense, The graduates both far and wide Get ready to "commence."

The editor of an exchange says: "If you want to be swindled, come here. Don't write to catalog houses. You can be swindled just as thoroughly by home talent at less expense."

"There are over 100 species of mosquitoes in the United States," is the declaration made in the "Mosquito Brief" adopted today by the American Mosquito Extermination Society.

The camel was the last of the animals to enter the ark. "Hey, there, you," called Noah, "get a hump on yourself." Then the camel promptly got his back up and that's how it happened.

An exchange grows inquisitive and asks "Is faith necessary?" It surely is. There isn't much that man can accomplish unless he has faith. When faith departs, results are usually a very doubtful proposition.

Deadly Serpent Bites

are as common in India as are stomach and liver disorders with us. For the latter however there is a sure remedy: Electric Bitters; the great restorative medicine, of which S. A. Brown, of Bennettville, S. C., says: "They restored my wife to perfect health, after years of suffering with dyspepsia and a chronically torpid liver." Electric Bitters cure chills and fever, malaries, biliousness, lame back, kidney troubles and bladder disorders. Sold on guarantee by Charles Rogers, druggist. Price 50c.

The Morning Astorian prints all the local and telegraph news.

Sucking is a natural stimulant for babies. A very young baby tries to get the whole hand in its mouth, but, finding this fraught with danger, he grows more cautious and finally falls on the thumb as the most enticing member of the hand. Sucking the thumb acts as a safe pick me up to laggard organs. The beneficial effect arising from the act of deglutition is one of nature's happiest stimulants. It is generally melancholy and fretful children rather than those who are strong and full of life who develop decided tendencies in this direction. The reason of this is evident. In states of depression, whether casual or chronic, less blood goes to the brain; if, then, the thumb be put into the mouth and a sucking process indulged in the heart will be stimulated, new blood will be sent to the brain and contentment will take the place of peevishness.

Art Critics and Art.

Some one was to be married, for they were buying a wedding gift in a certain east side store, bearing that manner of having money to spend, which will inevitably assure the attention of the shopwoman. A certain painting, rainbow hued and inclosed in a large gilt frame, had attracted their attention. It was \$1.69.

"What is it?" asked one, peering closely.

"It is an oil painting," answered the saleswoman.

"It has no name on it," announced the first woman, with an air of having found out what was wrong with the work of art.

"The best artists never sign their work, ma'am."

"Are you sure it is hand painted?"

"Certainly, ma'am."

It will hang on the wall of one bride's home.—Brooklyn Eagle.

His Moral Uplifting.

Many years ago Bill Smith was a well known character in a Missouri town whose name need not be mentioned here. Bill was a colored boy who roamed the streets at will. One day he found a pocketbook containing \$40, and the owner's name was stamped on the book.

But Bill burned the pocketbook and spent the \$40 in riotous living. Of course it was found out, and Bill was arrested, tried, found guilty and sent to the penitentiary for two years. He served his time, and when he emerged he knew something about making shoes.

The day he returned to his home an old acquaintance met him and asked:

"Well, what did they put you at in the prison, Bill?"

"Dey started in to make an honest boy out'n me, sah."

"That's good, Bill, and I hope they succeeded."

"Dey did, sah."

"And how did they teach you to be honest, Bill?"

"Dey done put me in de shoe shop, sah, nallin' pasteboard onto shoes for 'em, sah."

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