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WEATHER.

Western Oregon and Washington—Fair; warm, except near coast.
Eastern Oregon and Washington—Fair, with rising temperature.

SALOONS, AND THE LAW.

The saloon business under the terms of the law as it applies to that especial line, is a perfectly legitimate business. But of all lines of commerce, it is the peculiar and habitual "edger." It is never satisfied with its limitations under the law, and is invariably seeking to do, and be, just a little more than the law permits it to do and be. This is the fundamental cause of its constant trouble with the law and the people. Last fall the Astorian tried to make it plain to the saloomen of this city that regulation, and a palpable recognition of the laws and ordinances, would save them infinite trouble, but the advice was scorned and the paper condemned in unmeasured terms by the whole fraternity for its demand that they get in line and observe some of the legal essentials. Now, another and more sweeping law has been made effective in two of the big precincts of the city, and as it is a law that is not susceptible of circumlocution, but just a simple edict forcing them out of business in given territories, it is promptly obeyed; when, had some deference been paid to the less rigorous statutes, and the business carried on with some respect for the mandates made and provided for its regulation, the invoking of the local option rule might have been avoided, or, at least, defeated. Every time a saloon passes the restrictions established by law and the ordinary code of decency, it invites the operation of the law that puts it out of running, and is therefore, responsible for its own undoing. The business, as it is understood, and operated, here, and everywhere, has only its legal legs to stand on; it has nothing within itself to recommend it nor justify its existence, and should, therefore, be the most careful to adhere to the line of popular suffrage; yet strangely enough, it is the very last to conform to any sort of prescription. Now, the fear is abroad, and well justified, that the prohibitionists will endeavor to extend the field of their successes and the saloon man is on nettles to know just where the next sortie will be made. It pays to sit up and take notice once in a while.

"TOO MANY IRONS."

Astoria has a multitude of big and important things on her hands at this moment, and it would seem, from the indication and indecision in relation to each other, and all, that she has two or three more "irons on the fire," that she can safely and conveniently handle. To properly dispose of a lot of important deals of a municipal sort, requires time and a detailed understanding of each, in order that exact course and equity may be parcelled out so as to avoid confusion and disruption. She has under popular consideration at present a new charter

and a seawall, either of which is entitled, by sheer force of value and scope, to the single-minded consideration of the people; but taken together, along with a number of lesser things, relatively urgent, they are likely to be treated semi-neglectfully and suffer for want of comprehensive calculation and complete finality. The Fourth of July and Regatta committees are largely made up of the men who are deeply interested in the larger and more permanent issues at hand, and so it goes clear through the lines of public questions. Dispose of one big thing at a time or broaden the personnel of the commissions, and see that they do not overlap nor interfere.

EDITORIAL SALAD.

An official report states that at the beginning of last year there were 102,448 miles of public roads in Iowa, all dirt roads except 1778 miles. Less than 2 per cent of the Iowa highways are surfaced with any material whatever. The size of the road-improvement question may be measured by these figures from a state that, in general, is noted for intelligent enterprise.

Josep R. Burton, U. S. Senator, misrepresenting Kansas, seems to have played the part of the well-bred dog, and got out before he was kicked out of the United States Senate. But that doesn't do away with his sentence of fine and imprisonment, which are only in abeyance, as it were. He deserves to suffer both, as a salutary lesson to all future legislators who betray their trust.

Mr. Bryan writes to his friends that "It is time to call a halt on socialism in the United States." The Populist platform on which Bryan jointly ran, both in 1896 and 1900, favored a greenback currency and the government ownership of railroads, which may be as far in socialism as he desires to go, and farther than will receive the support of reasonably conservative citizens.

The big-brained and strong-armed American who shall succeed in baffling and thwarting the odious meat trust will have no difficulty in carving his way to the presidential chair. Let him step forth and make good.

Governor Higgins says the last New York Legislature was "clean, courageous, independent, intelligent and industrious." The world must be growing better, in spite of the muck rake.

Comparisons between the prohibitory system of Kansas and the dispensary system of South Carolina demonstrate that both are bad. The only effective temperance measure is the Missouri lid.

The fact that old General Weyler sustained a glancing blow in the paunch during the Madrid explosion will not lessen the flow of sympathy from the country he once threatened to invade.

King Alfonso's would-be assassin was afraid to incur the law's delay, or to take any chances with the poor marksmanship of the Spanish soldiers, and hence became his own executioner.

Members of the Russian douma will be greatly interested in the announcement from Japan that business has just been resumed at Mukden, and that everything is in first-class order.

Upton Sinclair's novel, "The Jungle," goes to the extreme of bearding the lion in his den, the octopus in his lair. Literature is fast becoming the main bulwark of the country.

But if this country tolerate the presence of anarchist editors and orators who glorify murder whenever it occurs, has not this country had ample warning of the natural result?

ONE THING FOLLOWS ANOTHER.

"Yes," said Subbubs, "the roads are pretty muddy out Swamphurst way now."
"O, well," replied Citiman, "you'll forget all that when the warm, pleasant days of summer come along and—"
"That's so," said Subbubs, "we'll have the mosquitoes to think of them."—Philadelphia Press.

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 Benettsville, 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 PUNITIVE INSTRUMENT.

"Now," said Willie's mother, "I hope you'll profit by that spanking, and not be such a little savage hereafter."
"Boo! Boo!" sobbed Willie, "I wish I was a savage."
"You do!"
"Yess'm. Little savages' mammas don't wear slippers."—Philadelphia Ledger.

An Alarming Situation frequently results from neglect of clogged bowels and torpid liver, until constipation becomes chronic. This condition is unknown to those who use Dr. King's New Life Pills; the best and gentlest regulators of Stomach and Bowels. Guaranteed by Charles Rogers, druggist. Price 25c.

"I've got you skinned to death for size and beauty," boasted the Luther Burbank rose.
The English primrose sniffed disdainfully. "You're a bloomin' graft, you are," he said.—Cleveland Leader.

Have you been betrayed by promises of quacks, swallowed pills and bottled medicine without results except a damaged stomach. To those we offer Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. 35 cents. Sold by Frank Hart.

Modern Titles.
"Say, is the big noise in?" inquired the visitor as he entered the office.
"Naw. He's out feedin'."
"Well, where is the chief gazabo—the one who has charge when the big noise is out?"
"He's outa town."
"Ain't there some one here who acts as the main squeeze when they're away?"
"Nobody but me."
"And who are you?"
"I'm de small bunch—de guy what sweeps out de office. See?"—Milwaukee Sentinel.

Succeeded Too Well.
The multimillionaire sits in gloomy and lonely grandeur in the heart of his vast forest preserve.
"It's a mistake," he sighs. "I went too far. Now that I have bought up all the land for forty miles in each direction and have fenced in the property not a soul can come around to see how I am enjoying my money. I'll have to induce some one to get out a court order compelling a road to be cut through my property or I'll be as forgotten as a hermit."—Judge.

Creatures of Impulse.
"So you can't help stealing?" asked the magistrate kindly.
"No, your honor; an impulse comes over me that I can't resist."
"Too bad, too bad! An impulse to send you up for six months is getting hold of me. There! It's got hold. Six months; can't resist. Impulse is a wonderful thing."—Philadelphia Ledger.

Extremes.
Ida—She hates Jack.
Belle—And why?
Ida—Because when he meets her he always says, "There is nothing like old friends getting together." She objects to the "old."—Detroit Tribune.

TESTED AND PROVEN.

There is a Heap of Solace in Being Able to Depend Upon a Well-Earned Reputation.

For months Astoria readers have seen the constant expression of praise for Doan's Kidney Pills, and read about the good work they have done in this locality. Not another remedy ever produced such convincing proof of merit.

W. J. Jenkins, of 426 East Mill street, Portland, Ore., says: "I have no occasion to change anything that I said three years ago in recommending Doan's Kidney Pills for since that time other members of our family have found beneficial results in treating kidney complaint. Before using Doan's Kidney Pills I suffered with acute attacks of backache and a derangement of the action of the kidneys, and dull dragging pains made it difficult for me to attend to my work. As the result of using this fine remedy I have been free from kidney complaint and backache for over three years, and therefore feel great confidence in recommending them to others."

Plenty more proof like this from Astoria people. Call at Charles Rogers' drug store and ask what his customers report.

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PACIFIC COAST BASEBALL.

At Portland—Portland 3, Fresno 4 (14 innings).
At Seattle—Seattle 6, Los Angeles 2.
Northwest League.
At Butte—Butte 2, Spokane 7.

Following the Flag.
When our soldiers went to Cuba and the Philippines, health was the most important consideration. Willis T. Morgan, retired Commissary Sergeant U. S. A., of Rural Route 1, Concord, N. H., says "I was two years in Cuba and two years in the Philippines, and being subject to colds, I took Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, which kept me in perfect health. And now, in New Hampshire, we find it the best medicine in the world for coughs, colds, bronchial troubles and all lung diseases. Guaranteed at Charles Rogers, druggist. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

STATUE UNVEILED.

PARIS, June 13.—A statue of Alexander Dumas, the younger, was unveiled yesterday on the Place Malesherbes, with imposing ceremonies.

Death From Lockjaw

never follows an injury dressed with Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Its antiseptic and healing properties prevent blood poisoning. Chas. Oswald, merchant, of Rensselaersville, N. Y., says: "It cured Seth Burch, of this place, of the ugliest sore on his neck I ever saw." Cures Cuts, Wounds, Burns and Sores. 25c at Charles Rogers, drug store.

APPOINTED MINISTER.

PARIS, June 13.—M. Regnault, who was the second delegate of France at the Algeiras conference, has been appointed minister to Morocco.

TENDERS RESIGNATION.

PARIS, June 13.—M. Poincare, the minister of finance, attended the cabinet council yesterday, thus disposing of the report that he had tendered his resignation.

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