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EDITORIAL SALAD.

WEATHER.

Western Washington and Oregon—Occasional rain. Eastern Oregon and Washington and Idaho—Rain or snow.

THE LOOMING GRAFT.

There is a graft looming upon the legislative horizon of Oregon, that demands the timely and earnest thought of the men who must create it if it is to be thrust upon the people.

It behooves every legislator to go into the very meat and marrow of this scheme to unearth all its dangers and disadvantages and fight it to early and complete defeat.

AN ELEMENT OF SAFETY.

A friend who occasionally puts his feet on our desk, suggests that it would not be a bad idea for the government, in the building of all its new coast-service vessels, such as lightships, light-house-tenders, revenue cutters, and small craft generally, to equip them with the latest and best models of steam towing-hits and cable-reels, in order that they may do the specific and timely thing for ships and other deep-sea craft in trouble.

most compensating sort. Uncle Sam is talking about building a light-house vessel for this district and this offers a first-class opportunity to inaugurate a system that would mean much for the safety of human life and incalculable stores of property.

THE MERCIFUL FROST.

The people of the Northwest will hail with gratification the merciful intervention of the frost now upon the land, as a check upon the floods that have ravaged it.

TONIGHT'S CONVENTION.

It is to be hoped that the convention of the Citizens' Party of Astoria, billed for a session at the city hall to-night, will do nothing to disturb the quietude of the pending campaign.

EDITORIAL SALAD.

There are 10,000 young women in Chicago who are obliged to work for \$5 a week.

A wise mother tells girls that a career "is not half so desirable as a good husband.

Of the 46,216 employees in the postal and telegraph service in London, 7,557 are women.

The ideal existence is that of the homemaker, the devoted wife and endearing mother.

Too many girls are willing to marry the first man who is a candidate for matrimony.

Mrs. Sage has presented \$2,000 in cash to her coachman, and she is going to build a \$4,000 cottage for him.

Cultivate the habit of making allowances for the opinions and feelings of others, as well as their prejudices.

When we have moved heaven and earth to get a thing, isn't it amazing to discover how little we really do want it.

A lonely life may not be deliriously charming, but it is a great improvement on an unhappy married existence.

When days are dark and deeply blue Wife has her troubles, same as you; Show her that your love is true—Tell her so!

Kansas farmers are complaining that their ears of corn this year are too long for shelter. There is always something the matter with Kansas.

The Government Agricultural Department has just issued a valuable book about the art of irrigation. It can be secured free by application to the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

Concentrated lye and molasses make a good paste to daub around the rat holes. It makes rats so tenderfooted that they leave. Keep it where cats or any other useful thing cannot get into it.

If you do not own a good saddle-horse, get one. The landscape looks fairer and the outlook in life much more cheerful from the back of a horse after a half hour's ride, than from any other point of view.

Two hundred dollars for ten ears of corn may seem an extravagant price to pay, but such an amount will be given to some pupil from the schools of Minnesota for the best 10 ears produced in the State.

Bridge whist is gambling and the society woman who gives a bridge whist party with a prize for the winner of the most games may be arrested and fined as a common gam-

The Negro's Solemn Duty

By BOOKER T. WASHINGTON

THERE is much that the brave, intelligent, patriotic white men of America can do for the negro; there is much that we can do for OURSELVES. The executive authorities should see to it that every law is enforced regardless of race or color and that the weak are protected from injustice from the strong.

On the negro's part we have a duty. Our leaders should see to it that the criminal negro is got rid of wherever possible. Making allowances for mistakes, injustice and the influence of racial prejudice, I have no hesitation in saying that one of the elements in our present situation that gives me most concern is the large number of crimes that are being committed by members of our race.

WE SHOULD SEE TO IT, AS FAR AS OUR INFLUENCE EXTENDS, THAT CRIMES ARE FEWER IN NUMBER; OTHERWISE THE RACE WILL PERMANENTLY SUFFER.

The crime of lynching everywhere and at all times should be condemned, and those who commit a crime of any nature should be condemned. Our southland today has no greater enemy to business progress than lynchers and those who PROVOKE LYNCHING.

The Temptation of "Getting"

By Rev. FRANCIS L. PATTON, President Princeton Theological Seminary

TO the poor man I say, "You poor man, you sell your muscle, you eat the bread of toil, ONLY TO BE DESPISED by those more prosperous."

And to the rich man I say: "Are YOU any better? You have bought and sold, your strong box is stuffed with securities, yours is the first fruit of the FARMERS' PRODUCE, you travel across the country in your private car, but death comes. Death is a flood that overawes you both, and you both must seek refuge in eternal life, the character of which is determined by your conduct HERE."

IT IS BETTER TO BE THAN TO HAVE. But many of us think the opposite. We go through college and we say these professional attainments must bring us something, and we start in to get.

Nobody is saying anything against ACCUMULATION, but beware of avarice!

LET NOT THE MONEY CHANGERS MAKE THEIR HOME IN THE SACRED PLACES OF THE SOUL. LEAVE A LITTLE SPACE THERE AT LEAST FOR ART AND LITERATURE.

bler. That is what the court decided in Beaver Falls, Pa., when Mrs. J. L. Harsha, wife of a prominent iron manufacturer, pleaded guilty and paid her fine, after arraignment in court.

The cow that you think the most of may be the very one you ought to get rid of. Find out about that. Test all your cows. Don't be satisfied with one; keep at it till you know. Then do something about it.

False hair is being shipped all over the world by the carload, because to be in the fashion a woman must have her head padded out, puffed up and hung with false hair. In Paris they have gone so far as to have what is called "the transformation," which is a sort of a wig that can be donned at a moment's notice so that the hair may match the gown to be worn.

Few international titled marriages have proved successful. Out of 174 American heiresses of more or less note who have bought foreign husbands with \$231,000,000 in dowries, there are less than twenty from whom reports of unhappiness have not come to America. Perhaps \$269,000,000 has been scattered among foreign husbands who have mistreated and humiliated the women who trusted them.

In Turkey there are 1,566 schools in which girls received education. There are forty secondary schools having 3,600 girls on their rolls. The learning of the Koran is compulsory and arithmetic, geography and elementary science are taught. Teaching has now become a respectable profession and young women, after passing the normal examinations, elect to become tutresses in distant parts of the empire.

Made Happy for Life.

Great happiness came into the home of S. C. Blair, school superintendent, at St. Alban's, West Virginia, when his little daughter was restored from the dreadful complaint he names. He says: "My little daughter had St. Vitus' Dance, which yielded to no treatment, but grew steadily worse until as a last resort we tried Electric Bitters; and I rejoice to say, three bottles effected a complete cure." Quick, sure cure for nervous complaints, general debility, female weaknesses, impoverished blood and malaria. Guaranteed by Chas. Rogers' drug store. Price 50c.

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