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WEATHER.

Western Oregon and Washington—Rain.

CHEERFUL NEWS FROM PANAMA.

It is good news that comes up from the Isthmus of Panama, this taking a million cubic yards of dirt out of the big ditch in the mouth, for it shows that there is something doing and someone on the ground to do it, and has a far more cheerful sound than the stories of change and reversal and deterrent affairs, such as have marked its history for months and months past.

Man after man has been sent down there with all the power and authority that could be conferred by the very government itself to make the thing go, and as often the man has been tolled away by some brilliant and seducing offer of service in the camps of the enemies of the great enterprise, namely, the railway combines of the country. They are the sole impending forces that have dealt this magnificent project its most deadly and potent blows, and they will continue to hamper and baffle and delay it until its gates are thrown open to the commerce of the world and the glory of the superb master-piece rears where it belongs.

The President of the United States shows his good sense in putting the tremendous work in the hands of a simple soldier, a man who was not at the beck and call of every syndicated interest in the country, and who has but his own splendid career to make and his own merit and brain to found it upon; it was a wise solution of one of the most disgraceful muddles that confronted the government, and it begins to look as though the work was to be honestly and squarely accomplished. The country is satisfied with results so far and the hope is justified that there will be no more child's play in connection with this gigantic and important scheme.

A TAME LECTURE.

The good old Oregonian, in its issue of Thursday last, read the Morning Astorian a lecture on the proper conservation of matters of public interest that were liable to reach the courts on their way to the public and we confess that it read well; though we are prone to resent the inference that we are indifferent to that courtesy to the courts usually supposed to be held by all newspaper men. We are not unmindful of the rule that prevails in this behalf, but we are something like the Oregonian when it has a cherished idea or project on hand, we say what we think about it, in and out of season, courts or no courts. The truth of the matter is, the homily handed out by the great paper up at the metropolis, was nothing more nor less than a clever pretext for avoiding an open expression as to the validity or constitutionality of the Port of Columbia law, and was cleverly handed.

The matter is not before any court in the land and is susceptible of the broadest of public and private argument: no one knows this better than the Oregonian, and no one has better sources of information on subjects of this sort than that same paper. It is of questionable timeliness or that the discussion was a tacit infraction of the courtesy due a court dealing with such a matter at bar, or that it was calculated to influence a legal opinion or judgment, either way, that the Portland morning daily interposed its dignified discourse. It was done because that was the best thing to say

in default of anything straighter or more explanatory. We say again that the Oregonian has known from the very inception of the Port of Columbia fraud, that it was a trick of the rankiest sort, that it has no honest merit as a law, that it is full of weaknesses and stands for the last phase of a desperate fight to maintain a false position; and we shall hold to their theory until the big paper comes to the front with a detailed, able plea in behalf of the measure that was smuggled and brow-beaten through the legislature of Oregon; and we reserve our right to say in public print what every man in Clatsop county says in private speech and what the Oregonian has not yet had the nerve to say in this relation. That paper is very able and clean and what it says usually has immense weight all over the state, but it has never committed itself to this wretched imposition, and we do not believe it ever will. In the meantime, it qualifies the ambiguity by indulging in a lot of immaterial stuff that we read well and committed it to nothing whatever.

EDITORIAL SALAD.

The secretary of agriculture declares that "Ours is the best meat consumed by any people, as no other nation takes the same care or goes to such an expense to secure it." Thus the new inspection laws are a boon to the American meat trade as well as to consumers.

Pittsburg is to have a 46-story story municipal building 700 feet high, but this is no sign that the town is alarmed by the prophet who has been writing about a tremendous future flood.

California's fruit wizard, who has originated a seedless orange and spineless cactus, would greatly oblige San Francisco if he will now produce a shakeless town plat and a graftless city hall.

It is said postal receipts in St. Louis are ahead of the world's fair record and will soon reach \$4,000,000 a year. The expansion of the great central city goes steadily and solidly on.

American contributions to the relief of China are the largest recorded in the annals of charity. The Boxers ought to remember this when the boxing fit shall again seize them.

Again the cry comes for help on the farms. The new immigration commission ought to study remedies for the congestion of newcomers in and around New York.

Difficulties at Panama appear to grow less on close inspection. Uncle Sam enjoys a world-wide reputation for good luck, but then he is plucky and enterprising.

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Notice is hereby given that I have been appointed by the County Court of Clatsop County, Oregon, administratrix of the estate of Hannah Brown, deceased, and all persons having claims against said estate, are hereby required to present the same to me, properly verified, at the office of my attorney, J. A. Eakin, at No. 426-428 Commercial Street, in Astoria, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice.

Dated, Astoria, Ore., April 19, 1907. ANNIE M. POWELL, Administratrix of the estate of Hannah Brown, deceased.

ADMINISTRATORS NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that I have been appointed by the County Court of Clatsop County, Oregon, administrator of the estate of David Johanson, deceased, and all persons having claims against said estate, are hereby required to present the same to me, properly verified, at the office of my attorney, J. A. Eakin, at No. 426-428 Commercial Street, in Astoria, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice.

R. M. GASTON, Date, Astoria, Ore., April 19, 1907. Administrator of the estate of Hannah Brown, deceased.

The Publisher's Claims Sustained

UNITED STATES COURT OF CLAIMS The Publishers of Webster's International Dictionary allege that it is, in fact, the popular Unabridged thoroughly re-edited in every detail, and vastly enriched in every part, with the purpose of adapting it to meet the larger and severer requirements of another generation. We are of the opinion that this allegation most clearly and accurately describes the work that has been accomplished and the result that has been reached. The Dictionary, as it now stands, has been thoroughly re-edited in every detail, has been corrected in every part, and is admirably adapted to meet the larger and severer requirements of a generation which demands more of popular philological knowledge than any generation that the world has ever contained. It is perhaps needless to add that we refer to the dictionary in our judicial work as of the highest authority in accuracy of definition; and that in the future as in the past it will be the source of constant reference.

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