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WEATHER.

Western Oregon—Fair in the south, and showers in the north portion.

THE PEREMPTORY WAY.

There have been three examples of personal vengeance for marital wrongs in Oregon lately, and if the procedure goes much further it will become an established method of meeting this phase of infelicity and perhaps cool the ardor of other couples criminally inclined. Opinions vary as to the expediency of this form of reprisal on the part of either husband or wife. It is held by many that the infliction of the death penalty is unnatural, with, or without, the sanction of the law; others hold that the law can justify the penalty, and does so whenever it employs the extremity; many are disposed to grant the offended wife or husband the prerogative of using the last resort; while still others claim that no man nor woman was ever worth the sacrifice inseparable from the death-dealing program. We are convinced that its use serves no real purpose save such influence as it may exert as a deterrent to others, but for the people already discovered it can but accentuate the misery of all concerned, and often includes in this adverse effect, the lives and interests of many innocent ones. It were infinitely more to the point to make the disgrace an open story and compel the delinquents to face the ban of society and wear it perpetually, especially where both are adults and married. Death compensates for nothing and leaves the weight of its dreadful force forever bearing on the soul of the man or woman who invokes its use. Ever-present disgrace is the crowler of the two punishments.

CHINESE WINES.

And now the Chinese empire is to forge to the front as a great wine-producing country; and competent people are averring that the class of wines she will market are really very fine. The trouble that will confront the Chink grower is that he can never name his product after the district in which it is grown and expect anybody to remember the brand; and there is another element that will make it difficult to foist the stuff on this American market and that is the quality of the gin they have been making for the last 50 years. This liquor is certain to figure as a standard, and whosoever knows the taste and effect of Chinese gin will never fool with imitators; it's a success. 35 cents, Tea Chinese wines; not for many a year to

come, anyway. The development of the wine industry over there must be due to the insight and energy of some European; since all the wisdom of China has never evolved such an enterprise before. There are huge tracts of country in the empire that possess all the requisites of land and climate for the culture of the grape and its highest expression in wine, but the grape is absent as an indigenous product, and if it is there at all it is as an exotic and has never been utilized commercially to any extent that would justify the belief that she can make it pay. France had better look to her laurels.

HERE'S TO THE ROSE SHOW!

There is something very delightful in the scheme wherein a whole city full of people congregate to create a rose feast. The idea itself is distinctively refined and alluring, and the culture and good taste inseparable from providing individually, for such an event, spears voluminous for the community that makes the pleasant venture. Beauty is the dominant note of such an affair and its variations are but the ampler expression of the culture inspiring the show. Portland will be famous for her roses and her people will lose nothing of the happy estimate, attaching abroad, as well as at home, for being in such shape as to make the indulgence a real success.

A community that can make overtures such as this, has far more behind it than most people stop to think of. The love of flowers and their consent cultivation have always been classed among the refinements of life, and when this delicate and delightful task is made municipally unanimous the manifestation speaks for the subtlety and grace and sentiment of the whole people and the compliment of the hour is widely and deservedly shared.

All Oregon, including Astoria, wishes the metropolis abounding success in the splendid exhibit now afoot.

EDITORIAL SALAD.

Digging in the New York capital, archaeologists have discovered in the archives an old manuscript credited to one Theodorus Rooseveltum and written in the year 1907, A. D. Among other phrases the following is causing much controversy: "De animibus non disputandum."

When a New York contracting firm fails for seven or eight millions and the Western Electric Company lays off several thousand men, because of "excessive prosperity," one begins to see how it is possible to have too much of a good thing.

Assistant secretary to the President, Mr. Foster, who constitutes the outer line of fortifications at the White House, fairly exudes peace. There is no indication about him of the g-r-r-r! going on inside.

The man who claims that trouble is either stopped with a cork or fastened by books and eyes, owes apologies for failing to recognize the possibilities of the recreant safety-pin.

Pity Pittsburg, that would give anything for nice subways, but my have to forego its desire on account of the occasional flood and ride instead on the stifled elevated.

For the "biggest liar who ever saw Pike's Peak" Orchard is telling a convincingly consistent story.

To those in search of a long rest allow me to commend the Catskills.—R. Van Winkle.

Watermelon jokes are indefinitely postponed.

Success in life is accomplished by increase of enemies. That's why Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea has so many imitators; it's a success. 35 cents, Tea or Tablets. Frank Hart.

NEW WATER SUPPLY

Mayor McClellan Breaks Ground For New Project.

THE PEEKSKILL ACQUEDUCT

Water Will Be Carried To New York Through An Acqueduct, 150 Miles In Length, and Eight Millions Will Be the Daily Capacity.

NEW YORK, June 20.—With a small trowel today, Mayor McClellan will turn a sod of earth among the hills of two miles back of Peekskill-on-the-Hudson river and by this act he will begin the great undertaking which will cost \$162,000,000 and will eventually furnish Greater New York with 800,000,000 of water daily, besides the amount available from the Croton and other present sources of supply. From the simple beginning the Mayor in time will see constructed the Peekskill aqueduct, 150 miles long which will connect the Ashokan reservoir in the Esopus valley with every borough of this city, including even Staten Island.

The preliminary work of surveying for the gigantic excavation which will begin a stage that the construction of the reservoir itself and the second or stage reservoir can be pushed with speed. These preliminaries have been taken up about two years. A large party of city officials, including the Mayor, will leave this morning for Peekskill-by steamer. Carriages will convey them to the site of the reservoir and there addresses will be made by the mayor and others. The aqueduct will have a channel height of 17 feet. It will wind among hills and across gorges in the heart of the region immortalized by Washington Irving, and will pass under several creeks. It will descend more than a 1000 feet to cross 650 underneath the bed of the Hudson. The line it will follow upon reaching the Bronx at Yonkers will be under the Upper East River, under Brooklyn and finally under the Narrows to Staten Island. The maximum impounding capacity of this huge receptacle will be 120,000,000 gallons. The engineering problem involved in building the aqueduct under the Hudson will be the most difficult the engineers will have to face. Estimates vary as to when the system will be completed. The year 1930 is generally fixed upon as the date, it is probable some part of the supply will be available before that. The city authorities view this question largely from the side of New York's growth in population, and they estimate that by 1930 this city will number 7,000,000 souls, using daily one billion gallons of water, part of which will be supplied by the Croton system.

Ancient Rome

is now merely a memory of the past. Ballard's Snow Liniment is the family liniment of the twentieth century. A positive cure for Rheumatism, Burns, Cuts, Sprains, Neuralgia, etc. Mr. C. H. Runyon, Stanberry, Mo., writes: "I have used Snow Liniment for Rheumatism and all pain. I can't say enough in its praise." Sold by Hart's Drug Store.

CAPTAIN COLLINS SUSPENDED.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 20.—Captain P. Collins, of the Tug Wizard, which was lost on the rocks near Point Gorda, on May 29, has been suspended for a period of nine months by O. F. Bolles and J. K. Bulger, United States inspectors of hulls and boilers. The Wizard at the time of the disaster was towing the barkentine northwest.

Don't!!!

Don't let your child suffer with that cough when you can cure it with Ballard's Horehound Syrup, a sure cure for Coughs, Bronchitis, Influenza, Croup and Pulmonary Diseases. Buy a bottle and try it. Sold by Hart's Drug Store. B. B. Laughter, Byhalis, Miss., writes: "I have two children who had croup. I tried many different remedies, but I must say your Horehound Syrup is the best Croup and Cough medicine I ever used." Sold by Hart's Drug Store.

THE DUKE DENIES STORY.

LONDON, June 20.—The Duke of Manchester, in a statement made here denied that he was to make a permanent residence in America and there engage in railroad work. "I hate to spoil a good story," he said, "but there is no prospect of my engaging in railway work. I shall remain in England."

Do Not Neglect the Children.

At this season of the year the first unnatural looseness of a child's bowels should have immediate attention. The best thing that can be given is Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy followed by castor oil as directed with each bottle of the remedy. For sale by Frank Hart and Leading Drug-gists.

SUMMER OPENING TO-DAY

It will be a red letter day for seekers after good values in Men's and Boy's Clothing. With the cash in one hand and a knowledge of our business in the other we bought direct from the great Clothing Centers of the East, and today we will be proud to welcome you to come and see what we have accomplished—accomplished at our store for you. Remember this store is run in your interest. When we get a great bargain in MensClothing it is you we are thinking of. When we buy a lot of shirts etc. at less than the usual price we think of the pleasure it will give you. It is the same way in respect to every article in which we deal.

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" 17.50 " ".....13.00	" 5.00 " ".....3.50
" 18.00 " ".....13.25	
" 20.00 " ".....14.50	Men's \$1.25 Silk Front Shirts for.....\$0.90
" 22.50 " ".....16.00	" 1.00 " " "......65
" 25.00 " ".....17.50	" 2.00 Shirts for.....1.50
	" 1.75 " ".....1.35
	" 1.50 " ".....1.15
Boys' \$2.00 Suits for.....\$1.35	" 1.25 " "......95
" 2.50 " ".....1.75	" .75 " "......50

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GOLD IN ACEMETERY.

SYDNEY, N. S. W., June 20.—An accidental discovery by a grave digger has started a gold rush to Ballarat. While digging a grave in the cemetery, there the workmen struck a vein of gold-bearing stone 19 inches thick. Prospectors have already pegged many claims around the cemetery.

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