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THE WEATHER
Oregon-Fair in the east, increa
ing cloudiness, possibly followed b
showers in west portion.
WHERE IT BELONGS.
We sincerely trust the chart

## amendment providing for the esta

 lishment and construction of a sewall in this city, will not be submi ted at the forth-coming polls; no that the project is not entirely
thy, altogether essential and a ine improvement; but because it untimely, not properly considered an
predicated, vastly expensive and mu predicated, vastly expensive and must
entail enormous obligations for which
the city is the city is not prepared. There ar
other reasons, but they can wait fo other reas
expression.

## expression thought,

certainments of actual survey, soun-
dings and alignment and the core districting of the project, so that upon an unprepared community will do no harm and probably give
far better impetus and more unani mous endorsement to a scheme that is worth infinitely more consideration than has been given it.
And again, if Astoris And again, if Astoria is to take on
the status of a port, with a port commission, as is now probable, it were
well to make the commissioners the port responsible for the building
of the wall, while the council takes care of the immense system of fills
that is inseparable from the work that is inseparable from the work
thus saving the annoyance and confusion of "too many cooks" and do-
ing away with an infinitude of claping away with an infinitude of clap-
trap and epense. It is sharply with in the function of a port commission
to dispose of just such phases of public work as this, and it will be excel-
ient training for them in ient training for them in their own la-
titude. This is the logical plan to follow in this huge proposition, an
there will be grave regret if the mat-
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$\left|\begin{array}{l}\text { modern switch-board and have pro- } \\ \text { ven their purposes by other actual } \\ \text { and necessary work on the system }\end{array}\right|$ and necessary work on the system
here) and we are loath to believe they
will here; and we are loath to believe they
will renig. To the moment of writ-
ing, there is no sign of any
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 will take more than any vague hint to
disestablish the general conviction that the company intends to carry out the
last degre of its projected ment in this city. If there is an
philandering underway, it might petter charged to the Automatic pe
ple who are dallying with their fran
chise rights as no company should which properly estimates the real va ue of such pablic privilege, and whic
is supposed to be in the field for suc
cess and cess and advantage as well as the
old concern. They are as welome as
any reputable and progressive con like this and all they have to do
to make good on what has been coneeded them; there is nothing in the
way that our people know about, an the public is simply waiting upont then to make full and final demonstaratio
of their desires and purposes, conced ing always that they are perfectly
able to do so. able to do so.
What of rivalry exists, or what may engender, as between these com
panies, is no concern of ours; sav that we feel it inopportune and am
biguous for a public official to tak
cen the remotest part in that contest even the remotest part in that contes,
since such action is likely to be mis ALL LINED UP, NOWI. There has been talk for months pas free, as of old, and to this current 0 comment is due in a large measure
the broad interest in the new alignment of the police commission. If
doess come to pass that the city is
again given over to license and licen
tionsncs, to

 E of the first disappointing realizations of the immigrant to the United States must be that he has come to a country religious and national holidays, all lively in color and move
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 street shows and games and merrymaking-a land where not more
than six or eight legal hoildays are known and where the church is contented with an annual Sunday school pienic for the children, must contented with an annual Sunday school picnic for the children, must
seem poverty stricken indeed in gayety, whatever its opportunity for seem poverty
money making.
there can be no doubt that the variety and num-
 TO MAKING UP TO THE LABORING CLASS FOR MATERIAL HARDSHIPS. HERE THERE IS NO SUCH MORE PERPLEXING HARDSHIPS.

Even those among us who have appreciated the difficulties of the immigrant's transplanting and bave tried to smooth them away have given little thought放s side of the matter. The tendency, indeed, has been to frown on the neweomer's cfforts to introduce his own frolics and festivals as mn-American and to impress upon him that it is work and not play which counts in the new land.
WE HAVE BEEN WIL
TO AMUSE HIMEEN WILLING TO IMPROVE HIM, BUT UNWILLING TO AMUSE HIM, EVEN TO LET HIM AMUSE HIMSELF. THE RE. AND EVEN COME TOAT HE HAS DROPPED HIS MERRYMAKINGS LESS ATTRACTIVE AND TOO OFTEN FAR LESS INNOCENT AMUSE. MENTE. THE BARROOM AND THE DANCE HALL ARE POOR SUB. STITUTES, IN
LAGE FAIR.
We Americans lose no less than the foreigner loses by this, One of the most precious things be brings us, indeed, is his capacity for gayety, expressed in picturesque dances and customs. We are always willing enough to travel far in Europe to study these expressions. Indeed, the popular fete is one of the things the tourist remembers longest, yet we have done almost nothing to encourage the preservation here of any of its features.
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