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THE WEATHER

Oregon, Washington and Idaho—Fair; generally warmer.

THE REAL IMPETUS.

There is one deduction to be made from the almost universal success of the prohibition movement in the United States and that is that the real impetus behind the crusade and its wide achievement, is less a matter of liquor than of license. In other words, the people are hedging more against the raw effrontery of the saloon influence in business and politics and communal concerns, than they are against the physical and moral results direct from liquor itself; though both are tremendous in their ways. The people are really affrighted at the audacity of the encroachment of the saloon in civic life, and knowing that there is but one way to stamp the aggression out, are taking that peremptory method everywhere.

The day is coming in Oregon just as sure as time exists and passes, and the situation should be studied here in Astoria very carefully by all who have the good of society and the safety of commerce at heart. By district, town, city, county, it is forging forward, and before our people know what is upon them, the very State itself will have to decide the great question for itself upon a vote that is very likely to go against the business if the business does not remove itself from the front rank of public affairs and public agitation. We realize that this chance is discounted here; just as it has been discounted in every field in the United States where it has been laughed and voted down, and what is written here and now were better construed a warning than a sermon. It is up to all at interest to think this thing out along sober and rational lines and be prepared to handle the issue sanely and satisfactorily when the time comes for action, rather than take the full effect of the knock-out-blow in a condition of unpreparedness, when it does come.

CIVIC DYSPEPSIA

The city, or the organic community, that cannot, or does not, pull unitedly and understandingly, is invariably suffering from civic dyspepsia and is in need of quick and wholesome treatment; and one of the wholesomest we know of, in the home-remedy-line, is a stiff course of self, or communal,



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CHINA ORGANIZING HER CIVIC SEGMENTS

LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO BE ORGANIZED ON REFORM BASIS ALL OVER THE COUNTRY

WASHINGTON, April 10.—In line with the programme of reform adopted by the previous imperial administration in China is the issue of an edict setting forth regulations for the establishment of local government of the cities towns and villages throughout the country.

The edict provides that the local government shall have charge of the educational affairs public welfare of the community, agricultural, industrial and commercial interests, public undertakings and the collection and expenditure of funds for this purpose. The work of the government is to be carried on by a council and board of supervisors.

To have the privilege of voting, the residents of the communities must be at least 25 years old and taxpayers. Persons of proved bad character and illiterates will be denied the right of franchise.

Office holders, soldiers, policemen, buddhist priests, or religious instructors of other creeds and students will neither be allowed to vote nor hold office.

Persons elected are not allowed to refuse the office except for grave reasons.

EDISON GETS A JOLT

Famous Suit Against Inventor and Associates, Is Compromised.

NEWARK N. J., April 10.—Thomas A. Edison has settled for \$450,000 the suit for breach of contract brought against him by the New York Phonograph Company. In addition his counsel has signed an agreement to settle approximately seven hundred suits brought by the New York company against dealers in that state. The amount involved in the settlement of these and the principal suit is approximately \$2,000,000. The settlement was reached after an all night conference in this city preliminary to which there were negotiations of several weeks duration during which the wires were kept busy between Orange N. J. and Mr. Edison's Winter home in Florida.

The suit was for the territorial rights for the sale of Edison phonographs and phonographic supplies in New York State. It was begun in 1901. A similar suit for territorial rights to New England states is now pending in the courts. An injunction was granted recently in the New York Courts so restraining Mr. Edison and his associates that settlement was necessary.

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LATEST FASHIONS SOON TO BE OUT

NEW YORK, April 10.—The week before Easter is always the critical period for spring and summer fashions for, not until then, are all doubts as to the styles to be worn during the coming season completely removed. This year the uncertainty was even greater than in other years, owing to the fact that it was practically impossible to foresee what changes would be made. Now the last word has been spoken and the result of the style evolution may be contemplated with some degree of composure.

In a general way it may be said that, although the frocks shown in the fashionable shops during the past week departed but little from the styles of the season just ended, the models which the knowing importers have chosen for the basis of their spring and summer trade sound certain notes of change, subtle in many instances, but insistent. There can be no doubt, after viewing the displays in the various shops that the days of the scant Directoire frock with its minimum of material are over and that there will be no resurrection at least for some time.

However, the changes in the models are slight, so slight in fact, that a really good frock built on winter lines but not too extreme, will not be entirely out of style in the spring and may even pass muster in the summer. Many can be completely modernized by slight changes and a rearrangement of the decorative features. While the changes noticeable are in most cases, slight and subtle, there are also many models to be seen, which show radical departures from the winter styles. The long, sharp bodice front, the full skirt, the fichu, the elbow sleeve are all to be seen, but they represent only the extreme styles effected by some woman, more daring than the rest.

Only the exceptional model displays its new fulness frankly, in soft falling folds all around the skirt, but the fulness creeps in in one way or another in soft clinging drapery, in plaits or flounces set into clinging skirts, in yoke and flounce effects, or in narrow shirred backs combined with plain front and side lines. This last arrangement is the compromise which is likely to be most generally accepted for spring and summer. It marks the frock as essentially of the new season's vintage, and yet it does not depart so radically from accustomed lines as to seem conspicuous or

contrast that it is quite indispensable. The latest pre-Easter importations from Paris show the most bewildering variations in the styles of the jabot and the rabat. Women seem to have an insatiable desire for neckwear. No other small thing so persistently attracts them. Each season the Paris makers revive some old idea and, instead of serving it separately, so to speak, they build it upon some structure already reared. Thus, they show, this season, the rabat mounted upon the jabot; the double and even triple jabot and frills without end that fall over the soft, embroidered collar and jabots slipped through collars.

Bedford cord, that most delightful of materials, has come back, although under different names. The new Olympia cord and Coteline are really nothing but the old Bedford cord. They are shown in all colors of spring and in attractive two-tone effects. Liberty offers from among his London Guild materials a corded crepe of satin finish that is none other than the most delicate of Bedford weaves. The cotton quality is, in reality, a pique in wide wale and with the cord running lengthwise of the material. Pique has responded to the call for cords in canary, old rose and a wondrous blue, and in ribbing of varied widths. Linen is woven with heavy

horizontal ridges from selvedge to selvedge, resembling the Ottoman and Tussor textures. Silk poplin has taken its place among the ribbed materials, and in the spring weights of costume cloth there is a multiplicity of cord-like fabrics. There is every reason to believe that all these materials will be extremely popular this spring and summer.

Norman Hackett, who will be seen as Duncan Irving in "Classmates" at the Astoria Theatre on April 24th, is winning fame all along the line for his virile presentation of the hero in this great American play.

Suits and Millinery on sale at Jaloff's. Did you notice the prices?

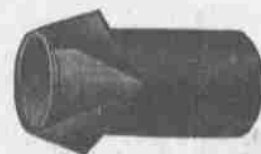
See Jaloff's windows, and notice the special "Pre-Easter Sale" prices on suits and millinery.

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