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SMALL CHANGE Hurray for Boies. It should run over 20,000 next month, even if some people get sprinkled.

SUNDAY CLOSING IN ST. LOUIS From the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. Four months have passed since Governor Folk clapped the lid upon the saloons of St. Louis.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE A Man in the Mayor's Chair. Portland, Aug. 22.—To the Editor of The Journal—I cannot help wondering how many of us fully appreciated the significance of Mayor Lane's action in returning the honors presented to him by the Portland Council.

AN ORDINANCE THAT SHOULD BE VOTED DOWN.

THE PROPOSAL to tax the farmers that come to Portland to sell their produce will not be received with much enthusiasm. Through one cause or another the cost of living has been going higher and higher in Portland and any new scheme to increase it arbitrarily will be resented.

and at best a vast stock range that had long since seen its best days. But we learn that great tracts of this high plateau not only can be but are irrigated, and that there is sufficient water supply to irrigate hundreds of thousands of acres more.

SUPPORT OREGON COLLEGES.

THE Corvallis Times makes a plea for Oregon colleges that we can heartily endorse. It urges that Oregon boys be educated in Oregon, rather than sent back east or to California to some institution that has a greater reputation and perhaps some advantages over our Oregon colleges.

NOTWITHSTANDING an occasional expression of dissatisfaction with Oregon or rather Portland hospitality, we think the general and indeed the almost universal sentiment of visitors from other states is that Portland has in many ways and on frequent occasions shown itself to be a creditably hospitable city.

HOW THE DIFFICULTY WAS SURMOUNTED.

FOR DAYS the peace envoys had struggled with the problem of indemnity. In vain M. Witte sent burning telegrams to St. Petersburg and expressed himself in the conference in words containing as many as 16 consonants apiece.

OREGON SIDELIGHTS

Many big yields around Weston; some not so big. Monuments Enterprise: Louis Morris and family were in the city last Friday.

INTERESTING STATE BUILDINGS.

EACH separate state building at the exposition is especially interesting and attractive in its own peculiar way, different in some respects from all others, and in any of them a visitor can always find new features of interest or new and clearer aspects of those viewed before.

A MYSTERIOUS POTENTATE.

JUST WHAT INFLUENCES prompt the czar in the course he is pursuing, what he thinks of his country's future, and whether indeed he has any definite policy or line of conduct marked out, form a subject of interesting speculation.

THE CREDULITY OF WOMEN.

From the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. There are notable exceptions to the rule, but statistics of the St. Louis postoffice are an astonishing confirmation of the ease with which thousands of women fall over the country and are induced to mail hard-earned money, running up finally to a total of millions, for "moke-keeping" by men of whom they know nothing except through the appeal of the incredible made by circular.

Business Is Business.

From the Wall-Street Journal. The Darmstadt bank of Berlin committed a terrible indiscretion at the time of the issue of the last Japanese loan, in communicating the invitation to subscribe to its friends it included those on the other side of the Russian border.

Go Laughing.

From the New Orleans Times-Democrat. It's an ugly thing to whimper and a bully thing to smile. The man who whistles stoutly lays the roughness of the mile. There's a tavern with a dinner and a barmaid after while. Taroool! Go laughing down the road.

An End to Dullness.

From the Philadelphia Press. With Colonel Watterston and Senator Dewey both home from abroad, the dull season is over.

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