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RECALLING RUSHLIGHT. THE recall for Mayor Rushlight is hinted at in a sermon by Dr. Hinson.

The Journal is for a clean city. It loathes the unclean conditions that have flourished in this city. It has repeatedly appealed to the authorities for fumigation and for policemen that would police.

Has it been forgotten that conditions of vice were such under Simon that his chief of police was indicted by a grand jury? Is it not notorious that the day Lane went out of office, the vicious from everywhere began to swarm into Portland and remained here undisturbed until Simon went out and Rushlight came in?

Did anybody ever hear of any investigation the Simon administration made of its police force? Did anybody ever hear of a suspension of a policeman or a detective in Simon's time? With everything rotten to the core for two years, how is it that Dr. Hinson never hinted at recall then, but talks of it for Rushlight after only two months?

Rushlight has done a hundred-fold more in two months to clean up the city and regenerate the police than Simon did in his whole term. Rushlight has done more in two months than Simon at the rate he was going would have done in a hundred years. Simon did nothing. Rushlight has done much.

RAILROAD DIVIDENDS. FROM a list published by a Wall Street house of dividend records of 38 of the leading railroads of the United States, the following facts are gathered regarding those roads specially interesting to the Pacific coast.

The Union Pacific has paid consecutive dividends for 11 years. The present rate of 10 per cent has been maintained for four years. The average rate for the previous seven years was 4.6 per cent.

The Southern Pacific has paid consecutive dividends for five years. The present rate of six per cent has been maintained for three years. The average rate for the previous two years was 3.9 per cent.

The Great Northern has paid consecutive dividends for 21 years. The present rate of seven per cent has been maintained for 12 years. The average rate for the previous nine years was 5.4 per cent.

The Northern Pacific has paid consecutive dividends for 12 years. The present rate of seven per cent has been maintained for six years. The average rate for the previous six years was 4.9 per cent.

A SHERIFF'S RAID. ONE thousand and ninety bottles of beer, 60 gallons of whiskey and a full supply of wines, brandy, gin, rum and other liquors was the stock captured by Sheriff Snyder in a raid on a near beer joint at Paisley, Friday.

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compared with 1901 an increase of 175 per cent. Evidence is here of the rapid extension of ownership by the general public, generally in small amounts. In these stocks. This does not betoken any radical change in the management of these corporations. But it makes any supplanting of the representatives of large capital who now control them much more difficult.

THE GREATEST BRIDGE. THE greatest bridge in the world at the present time is that over the Firth of Forth near Edinburgh. It is to be overshadowed by a great bridge now under construction across the St. Lawrence, six miles from Quebec.

The cost of the Quebec bridge is to be \$12,000,000, and the Canadian government is the builder. The contract for the superstructure calls for an expenditure of \$8,000,000, and for the substructure, \$4,000,000.

The main span of the new bridge is to be 1,758 feet, and is the largest in the world. The main span at the Firth of Forth is 1,710. The Williamsburg bridge over East river, New York, 1,610, of Brooklyn bridge, 1,595, of Lansdowne, in India, 820, and that over the Mississippi at Memphis 790.

The weight of the steel superstructure is 100,000,000 pounds. Transportation of the steel will require 1,667 freight cars of 60,000 pounds capacity, or 67 trains of 25 cars each. It will accommodate two railway tracks, two trolley tracks, two driveways and two sidewalks.

COMING COLONISTS. IT is announced that a colony of 29,000 Swiss families is shortly to be located in Mason, Jefferson, Clallam and other counties of the Olympic peninsula, Washington.

FLAX. WHILE Oregon is holding back from the establishment of a commercial flax industry on a large scale our Canadian neighbors are busy. An item in the consular reports informs us that Irish capitalists have proposed to establish a flax mill in the province of Alberta for the utilization of flax and flax straw for binder twine and other purposes.

SHOT A SEA SERPENT. THE sea serpent is always with us. Frequently a returning ship comes home with the story that it has seen him. Now comes forward Captain James Schmidt of the steamer Charlols, from Rotterdam to Point Breze, with a new and original explanation of the monster.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE. (Communications sent to The Journal for publication in this department should not exceed 300 words in length, and should be accompanied by the name and address of the sender.) RECALL OF JUDGES. Portland, Or., Sept. 2.—To the Editor of The Journal—A few days ago the press dispatches regaled us with the information that his excellency, the president of the United States, had picked an extensive itinerary.

THE Detroit News says that unless the dome of the capital be screwed down it won't last long when Heyburn and Vardaman mix.

SMALL CHANGE. September—rains will come to dry Earth's relief soon. With some people religion and common sense are incompatible. Time and tide—insensate tyrants—will wait for no woman, either.

SEVEN NOTABLE RUINS. The Acropolis at Athens. Despite her tattered robes of state Old Athens sits enthroned today as the acknowledged center of ancient culture. The modern Greeks still cling with pride to the memories of Pericles and Phidias and sigh when they think of the distinction that once was theirs.

THE Acropolis at Athens is the most picturesque and, in many respects, the most interesting of the many ruins among which the eye wanders in the glories of ages in the distant past.

FREE SPEECH IN MEXICO. EITHER Madero has little influence on his followers, or he has failed mightily to carry out his pre-election promises. There is a third suggestion, namely, that in the City of Mexico, among a population of 470,000 by the census of 1910, the mob of landless, homeless and lawless units is a power to be reckoned with and all but impossible to restrain.

WILLIAM GANGER. Chief Hood River Volunteer Fire Department. THE drawbridge problem. Portland, Or., Sept. 2.—To the Editor of The Journal—With reference to the draw bridge subject, why not have all docks removed to the water front below the Broadway bridge?

TO A PRISONER. Imprisoned bird, how must thou stang As if 'twere early morn' thou stang And from the blue e'er sparkling fields Thy song was born?

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