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LADY SMITH, THE TOWN upon which the eyes of the world are now turned, gets its pretty name from Lady Smith, the wife of Sir Harry Smith, who years ago was a prominent British general in South Africa.

C A Snow & Co, Patent Lawyers, opposite the United States Patent office, Washington, D C, who have actual clients in every city and town of the United States and Canada, report that never before in their 25 years practice has the work of the office been so well up to date.

WHO IS TO BLAME. Women as well as men are made miserable by kidney and bladder trouble. Dr Kilmer's Swamp-Root the great kidney remedy promptly cures.

A SIDEWALK is very much needed from the crossing of Lincoln and Main streets to the school house. Nearly all the scholars go by that route to school and in the winter they are obliged to walk through the wet sand and sometimes through water to reach the schoolhouse.

THE CONVICTION of the leaders in the Wardner outrages is of more value to organized labor than any recent victory. The law-abiding men of whom the unions are composed could in no way so well further their cause as by expressing their satisfaction at the punishment of these men, who have stolen the livery of organized labor that they might serve the cause of murder, arson and outrage.

THE FIRST regular session of the 56th congress convenes at Washington December 4th. One of the questions to come before that body in which the people all over the country are taking a great deal of interest, is whether Bingham H Roberts shall be allowed to retain his seat as representative from Utah.

New Meat Market. I have opened a shop in Florence where I shall keep a good stock of CHOICE MEATS. Always on Hand. Give me a Call. Next door to O W Hurd's. C. BRACEY. HIGH TIDES.

The tide of Wednesday was the highest known at Florence for about six years. The ocean being rough caused the water to raise several inches more than it otherwise would.

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PUBLIC OPINION AND LAW.

Tacoma Ledger. One of the slowest delusions to yield to the assault of common sense is that which credits law with influencing human conduct, independent of or even contrary to the direction of public opinion.

A few years ago the legislatures of all the states in the Union were besieged with petitions to put an end to prize fighting. The brutality of it, its degrading influence upon the people, its essential barbarity, were all urged with a force that did not admit of controversy.

Behold the change that has come about. There is no longer a question where the law will permit a championship contest to come off, but only a struggle between rival cities and athletic clubs to secure the event. A fight to a finish is as possible in New York as it is in the sage brush commonwealth.

There are other effective illustrations on both sides of the case, but all pointing to the same conclusion. This country was fairly torn up for years over the question of prohibiting the sale of intoxicants, parties were disrupted, elections were lost or won. You cannot interest anybody in that subject today.

The lesson of all these things is what should be apparent to every man; that law, to be effective, must be the child of public sentiment, not the father of it. All laws are of two classes; either a response to the expressed needs of the community and an embodiment of the opinions of a majority, or the ideas of a minority who would enforce their will upon those who differ from them.

NATAL AND LUZON: A CONTRAST.

Astorian. The news from South Africa has been of such absorbing interest that little attention has been paid of late to our operations in the Philippines. Like any other game, the supreme game of war must be stubbornly played on both sides to create intensity of feeling and arouse enthusiasm.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

FROM OUR REGULAR CORRESPONDENT.

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