

PROFESSOR WIGG has discovered that the earth is receding from the sun. It is generally accepted by astronomers that it is a fact this season of the year, but if Wigg means that it is taking a permanent departure we will be glad to receive early and accurate information. Such action on the part of the steady old ball would have a very discouraging effect on the ice trust.

It is very gratifying to know that the doctors who cut mind reader Bishop to pieces had the presence of mind to watch his eyes for signs of life, as they were hacking and slashing at his vital parts. We cannot approve much that these doctors did, but we are glad to know that they were sufficiently interested in the scientific aspect of the case to wish to know whether it was epilepsy or the butcher knife that produced death.

There appears to be a desire on the part of a good many who signed the paper agreeing to take a part of the additional \$100,000, to wait a few days before signing the stock books for the several amounts. They manifest a desire to await developments. It may be said here, advisedly, and with full knowledge of the existing situation, that any failure to make good that hundred thousand dollars will make any developments, real or supposable, absolutely impossible.

For the small sum of 25 cents a man in Delaware county offers to send farmers a circular telling them "how to increase the flow of milk in cows; how to increase the laying of eggs; how to prevent cattle, fowls, etc., from getting old; how to make hens lay every day in the year, and how to make cucumber vines bear five times a year." It might be supposed that this was about as much as any one could expect for 25 cents, but some farmers refuse to invest because the circular doesn't tell also how to find \$500,000 in gold in the cellar, how to grow boneless shad, and how to stand the farm up on end and raise crops on three sides.

We learn from the Tombstone Epitaph that at a recent wedding out there in Arizona the presents consisted of a furnished house, a mule, a heifer, a barrel of beer, a cask of wine, some whisky, a corkscrew, and several sums of money, ranging from \$25 to \$100. "We would like to know," says the Epitaph, "if these sort of presents don't everlastingly knock the spots out of satchel bags, embroidered slippers, ornamental suspenders, and fancy garters." In sooth they do. But if the object was everlastingly to knock the spots out of things, why didn't they omit the house and put in a few more mules and a little more whisky.

The story comes from South Carolina that the more ignorant of the colored people down there believe that the white men make castor oil from the blood of negroes whom a strange doctor, who can at will make himself invisible, captures and bleeds. It is said that for this reason these people would rather die than take a dose of castor oil. We do not see why the colored people should be permitted to monopolize all the comforting beliefs of the world. There are intelligent white men all over this country who, when a dose of castor oil is put under their noses, would give half their worth for a good, reasonable belief of this sort.

When the scheme shall have been solved to make the tin in the Black Hills valuable by freeing it from the mica in combination we shall have tin enough for the world. This will be done; and whether the tin shall be transported for manufacture to Chicago, or to several places, it is only a matter of time when we shall cease to be importing English tin obtained at an annual cost of over \$20,000,000, which is more than \$60,000 for every working day in the year. It has been repeatedly shown that if our plates were produced here it would give employment to 70,000 people. It would make a market every year for 850,000 tons of iron ore, 300,000 tons of limestone, 1,500,000 tons of coal, 300,000 tons of pig-iron, 25,000,000 bushels of charcoal, 5,000,000 pounds of lead, 25,000,000 pounds of tin, 10,000,000 pounds of tallow, 3,000,000 pounds of sulphuric acid, and about 10,000,000 feet of lumber.

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TELEGRAPHIC.
Specials to The Astorian.
VILLARD'S VICTORY.
He Carried Yesterday's Elections.
And Wears Elijah's Scalp at His Belt.

PORTLAND, June 17.—The annual election of the O. R. & N. Co., was held at 11 o'clock this morning, and of the Oregon & Transcontinental company at 12 noon. The fight was between the opposing factors led by Henry Villard and Elijah Smith.

The victory rests with Villard. Henry Villard came here with a majority of 84,000 votes. He named the boards of directors for the O. R. & N. Co., and the O. & T. Co. and remains president of the latter.

PORTLAND'S CITY ELECTION.
The city election is not very exciting. Voting is progressing slowly. The only extraordinary feature about the polls is that almost the entire police force is stationed at the three voting places, to keep order. The members of the police force are greatly interested in the election. In the first ward Gerdes is being knifed, and in the second ward an attempt is being made to slaughter Schwalb, who is not a favorite with the police department. In the third ward it looks as if Woodward will have a walk over. At the present time 913 votes have been cast in the first ward, Gerdes is leading. In the second ward 674 votes have been cast, Scoggins (Dem.) is ahead. In the third ward 829 votes are so far cast, and Woodward is slightly ahead.

BLAINE'S OBJECTIONS.
BERLIN, June 17.—The American commissioners of the Samoan conference have received instructions from secretary Blaine in relation to the protocol drawn up by the conference. Mr. Blaine disapproves with several provisions of the protocol. He is also of the opinion that England and Germany have not gone far enough in concessions to the United States. The conference will sit to-day to receive Mr. Blaine's reply. The English and German commissioners will afterwards consider Blaine's objections and decide upon a policy. Upon the attitude they adopt depends the continuance of the conference.

THE C. P. PEOPLE ALARMED.
OTTAWA, June 15.—The refusal of the Washington government to grant bonding privileges to the Canadian Pacific railroad over their line through Maine to the Atlantic seaboard is causing much alarm in official circles here. The Canadian Pacific claims the refusal of the United States will render useless the entire line for freight-carrying business, and involve a loss of several millions, besides defeating the object of the company in securing a short line to the Atlantic seaboard.

WHITE PAINT FOR NAVAL VESSELS.
WASHINGTON, June 17.—Secretary Tracy has just issued an order directing that all vessels of the navy be painted white in order to reduce the temperature four degrees. This will increase the cost of keeping the vessels.

FIRES IN THE PINERIES.
DULUTH, June 17.—Dispatches received from Sandstone Junction, Moose Lake, Hinckley, Barnum and other places on the line of the Eastern Minnesota and St. Paul and Duluth roads indicate that a bad fire is burning along the entire section. In this section are hundreds of camps and loggers' outfits. The flames are burning with great fury, and unless there are heavy and soaking rains great damage will result. These camps, a number of which have already been burned, especially near Sandstone, contain stores and beds, cooking utensils, etc., as well as food and grain.

THE PANAMA CANAL.
PANAMA, June 17.—The canal collapse created great suffering, which continues. Panama has resumed its quiet appearance of twenty years ago. The line of work is now a scene of complete desolation. The sales by auction of household furniture in the city of Panama are unprecedented. All merchandise is disposed of much below its value. One of the canal dredges, which cost \$200,000, recently sunk in a creek in the neighborhood of Tavernilla, on the Chagres river, and no attempt will be made to raise it until the next dry season.

THE NEW STATES.
WASHINGTON, June 17.—Congressman S. S. Cox of New York is advertised to deliver a Fourth of July oration in North Dakota, after which he will spend a number of weeks visiting the different sections of the territory and speak in the interest of the Democratic party. His example will be followed by a number of other leading Democrats, who have volunteered their services to speak in North Dakota and Montana, and as the Republicans purpose showing an equal activity in the matter, the new states will be taken into the Union amid a political excitement such as has never before been known in the history of that region.

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NEW TO-DAY.

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11 A. M., Exercises.
12, National Salute, 38 guns.
12 to 1 P. M., Lunch.
1 P. M., Exhibition Drill, Co. "H," O. N. G.
1:30 P. M., Fat Men's Race, up Main street.
2 P. M., 100 Yard Foot Race, on Third street, east from Cass.
2:30 P. M., Tender Race, on Water street.
3 P. M., 200 Yard Foot Race, on Water street, running east.
3:30 P. M., Fishing Boat Race from Flavel's dock.
4 P. M., Boys (under 12) Foot Race, 150 yards, west on Second street.
4:30 P. M., Whitehall Boat Race, from Flavel's dock.
5 P. M., Krewes of Komos Parade.
6:30 P. M., Walking Tight Rope.
7 P. M., Bicycle Race, along Second and First streets, west.
7:30 P. M., Sunset Salute, 13 guns.
9 P. M., Fireworks on the River.

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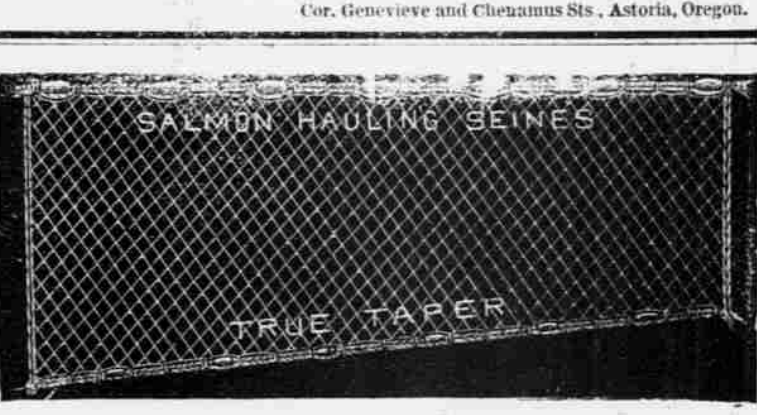
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